2013-2018 Hyundai Santa Fe - Cabin Air Filter

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TOOLS
Trim tool or flat screwdriver (optional)
Flashlight Gloves Vacuum or rag for debris

PARTS
Cabin air filter $20.00

STEPS

1. **Park the Santa Fe and empty the glovebox - Park on level ground, ignition off, brake set.** The cabin filter sits behind the glovebox. Open the passenger door, slide the seat back, and empty the glovebox. Squeeze both sides evenly - the wide box twists if one stop releases.
2. **Lower the glovebox - Squeeze both sides inward to clear the stops and lower the box. The** filter cover is right behind it. Support it as it lowers; don't let it slam and crack a stop tab. Unhook the damper if yours has one.
3. **Remove the filter cover - Unclip the filter cover and pull it away. Note the airflow** arrow direction - the replacement must face the same way. Old clips may be stiff - squeeze them firmly rather than yanking, which cracks the hinge tabs.
4. **Swap the old filter out - Slide the old filter out. Packed pleats mean overdue; gray and** matted is normal wear. Slide the new filter in, arrow matching the old, seating it flat with no frame gaps. Hyundai's schedule: every 12 months or 12,000 miles.
5. **Reassemble and check the HVAC - Refit the cover, lift the glovebox back, and close it.** Run the blower through every speed - strong, even airflow, no rattling or whistling. Weak airflow means the cover isn't latched or the filter buckled.

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