2023-2024 Kia Sportage - Wiper Blade Replacement

2023-2024 Kia Sportage | Easy | 10-15 minutes | $81 DIY

TOOLS

tape measure clean towel washer fluid

PARTS

Driver wiper blade, 26" Bosch 26A $32.99
Passenger wiper blade, 16" Bosch 16B $32.99
Rear wiper blade, 12" $14.99

STEPS

1. **Confirm your sizes and buy the blades - The NQ5 takes 26 driver, 16 passenger, 12 rear -** measure the old passenger blade first; one chart lists 18 inches. Front arms are J-hooks; the rear uses a small K-style clip. Buy a 2023-2024 kit including the rear adapter.
2. **Move the wipers to the service position - The wipers park under the hood overhang -** service mode: start the car, switch off, then within 20 seconds push the stalk to mist for three seconds. The arms swing upright. Switch on and tap mist once to park them.
3. **Remove the old driver-side blade - Lift the arm; towel on the windshield under it. Lift** the release latch on the J-hook saddle and slide the blade off the hook. Keep the blade level so the metal hook doesn't score the paint.
4. **Prep the new driver blade - Open the new 26-inch blade and confirm the J-hook adapter.** Peel the guard off the rubber edge and compare with the old blade - same 26-inch length, same saddle shape. The J-hook adapter is the U-shaped one.
5. **Install the new blade and verify the lock - Hook the saddle over the arm tip and slide it** into the J until the latch clicks. Pull hard along the arm - zero play. Set the arm onto the glass; guide it down by hand, don't let it slam.
6. **Passenger blade and the 12-inch rear blade - Repeat the routine on the passenger side** with the 16-inch blade. For the rear: swing the tailgate arm off the glass, release its K-style clip, and click the 12-inch blade in. Ease the arm back onto the rear glass.
7. **Test with washer fluid - Spray washer fluid and run several sweeps front and rear. Check** the 26-inch blade hugs the glass without lifting at its tip. Park the wipers with a mist tap, top off the fluid, and log the 26/16/12 sizes and date.

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