2007-2012 Nissan Sentra - Cabin Air Filter

2007-2012 Nissan Sentra | Easy | 15-30 minutes | $18 DIY

TOOLS

Flashlight Flat-blade screwdriver or trim tool (optional, for the filter door clips) Vacuum or damp cloth for cleaning the filter slot

PARTS

Cabin air filter (AQ1114 or equivalent, fits 2007-2012 Nissan Sentra) $18.00

STEPS

1. **Park and empty the glovebox - Park the Sentra, turn the ignition off, and open the** passenger-side front door. Empty the glovebox completely so nothing drops behind the dashboard when the glovebox is released.
2. **Drop the glovebox to access the filter door - Detach the small damper arm on the right** side of the glovebox, then squeeze the glovebox sides inward to clear the side stops and swing it down fully.
3. **Open the cabin filter door - Unclip or slide open the rectangular filter door on the HVAC** housing and set it aside. Work gently - the door's plastic tabs become brittle with age on these B16 Sentras.
4. **Remove the old filter - Slide the old filter straight out of the slot, keeping it level** so trapped dust does not spill into the blower housing. The replacement filter must go in facing the same direction to filter properly.
5. **Clean out the filter slot - Shine a flashlight into the empty slot and vacuum or wipe out** any leaves, pine needles, or dust sitting in the housing. Debris left behind will clog the new filter early and can cause musty smells from the vents.
6. **Install the new cabin filter - Slide the new filter (an AQ1114 or equivalent fits these** 2007-2012 Sentras) into the slot with its airflow arrow pointing the same way the old filter's arrow pointed. Push it in evenly until it seats fully flush with the housing.
7. **Close the filter door and reinstall the glovebox - Refit the filter door until its clips** engage, then swing the glovebox back up, re-engage the side stops, and reconnect the right-side damper arm. Open and close the glovebox to confirm it moves smoothly and latches shut.
8. **Verify airflow from the vents - Start the car and run the blower on high through the dash** vents. Strong, even airflow with no new rattles or whistling confirms the filter is seated and the door is clipped shut.

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