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Care & Removal

Looked after, a quality wrap stays sharp for years — and when you are ready for a change, cast film is designed to come off cleanly.

Everyday care

- **Hand wash** with a gentle car shampoo and a soft mitt. It is kinder to edges than automated washes, which can catch and lift film.
- **Deal with contaminants promptly** — bird droppings, tree sap and fuel spills can stain film if left, especially on matte finishes.
- **Avoid harsh chemicals, solvents and pressure washing at close range**, particularly near edges and seams.
- **Dry with a soft microfibre** to avoid water spotting on gloss films.

Matte and satin films

Never apply wax or polish to matte or satin wraps — it fills the texture and creates shiny patches. Use products made specifically for matte vinyl if you want added protection.

How long a wrap lasts

With good prep, quality film and sensible care, a wrap commonly looks excellent for several years. Longevity depends heavily on whether the vehicle is garaged, the local climate, and how the film was applied — well-tucked, post-heated edges last far longer than film that ends on a flat face.

Removing a wrap

- 1 **Warm** a corner of the film gently with a heat gun until the adhesive softens.
- 2 **Peel slowly** at a shallow angle — roughly 15–20 degrees back on itself — keeping the film warm as you go.
- 3 **Take your time:** slow, warm removal lifts the adhesive with the film and minimises residue.
- 4 **Remove any residue** with a dedicated adhesive remover and a soft cloth, then wash the panel normally.

WRAP'S BIG ADVANTAGE

Because quality cast film removes cleanly, you can refresh the look or return to your original paint without the cost of a bodyshop. Remove within the film's recommended lifespan for the easiest results.