

# The Figaro Shop Chrome Strip Rubber Seal Profile

## Fitting Guide



Here at The Figaro Shop, we pride ourselves at being at the forefront of parts development for the Nissan Figaro and supporting the products we develop. As part of this support (as we understand that we have customers that like to fit their own parts and for our international customers) we have put together a number of guides illustrating how our parts are fitted.

**PLEASE READ** – this guide is intended to aid in the installation of our products. It is recommended that factory manuals or instructions are followed to remove parts from the vehicle. Some instructions in this guide are generic. The factory manual should supersede any contradiction.



This guide illustrates how to remove the old plastic seal and how to fit the new rubber seal. It does **<u>NOT</u>** show how to remove the trims from the vehicle.

#### **Tools Required:**

- Sharp Stanley Knife
- Heat Gun
- Brake Cleaner / IPA Alcohol
- <u>Tar/Glue Remover</u>
- Vehicle Polish
- <u>Clean Cloths</u>
- Soft Working Area

#### Package Contents:

• Rubber Profile Length (7-14m)



### **Installation Process**

- **1.** With the trims removed from the vehicle, starting with one trim at a time, place the trim you will be working on on a soft/protective surface so as not to scratch the stainless steel trims.
- 2. On the end of some of the trims you will find a separate finishing cap. Please be careful not to heat or cut this as it is a moulded piece that is not replaceable with the contents of this kit. You are able to remove it and replace it later if it is easier. If removing, place somewhere safe.





**3.** Using a heat gun, warm up the old black plastic trim to soften. Whilst still hot, using a sharp Stanley knife, run the blade behind the trim to remove as much of the old plastic as possible. Don't worry if it all comes off at once as it will more than likely break off in small pieces due to its age. You may also find, depending on how well adhered the old trim is to the stainless steel, leaving it to cool or not using heat may help.





**4.** You will need to ensure all the old black profile has been removed. This can be done by using the blade to scratch it off the back of the stainless trim or using a combination of heat and a fine sandpaper to achieve this.







- **5.** Use some tar and glue remover to ensure there is no old adhesive remaining on the stainless trim. It is imperative to have a very smooth and clean surface to stick the new trim to. This is now the ideal time to polish your stainless trims using either a combination of metal polish and/or vehicle body polish to get their shine back.
- **6.** Once cleaned with tar and glue remover and polished, use either brake cleaner or IPA alcohol to prepare the stainless steel for the new trim. The cleaner the trim is, the better and longer the adhesive tape on the new rubber profile will adhere. This is a good time to familiarise yourself with the orientation of the rubber profile without removing the film from the adhesive strip.
- **7.** Ensuring the new profile is not twisted (best to lay as flat as possible), mark the start of where the profile will start from by using the black plastic end cap (where used). It is recommended that you try and fit the rubber profile a couple of inches at a time. Peel back the protective film on the adhesive strip and line up the edge of the new profile with the edge of the stainless trim ensuring it perfectly straight before pressing down firmly to stick. Keep repeating this process down the whole length of the trim.









- **8.** Using your Stanley knife, cut the excess flush with the end of the other side of the trim. Repeat the process for the other side of the trim so both sides of your stainless trim has been fitted with the new rubber profile. This is not applicable to the front wing/fender trim as only one side will be trimmed.
- **9.** Where the new profile meets the end cap, you will notice a very slight over hang. Using your blade, chamfer/blend the end of the profile to match. In most cases this is not necessary but this depends if your end cap profile has shrunk over time.



**10.** You will notice that the rubber seal covers the back of the clips on the rear of your newly profiled stainless trim. Going back to the car, line up each male clip with its female body mounted counterpart along the length of the trim. DO NOT CLIP IT DOWN AT THIS POINT. Once all lined up, using the blade, trim the shape of the base of the clip from the profile. This is not completely necessary on every application but will help the trim clip securely to the vehicle and compress the rubber profile for a perfect finish.





**11.** Now your trims are ready, ensure the end cap is secure. This is the best opportunity to clean the area under the seal on the bodywork of any dirt and grime using warm water with car shampoo and vehicle body polish. Once clean and dry, you are now able to clip the trim back to the vehicle.







Congratulations on completing the installation of the chrome strip rubber profile. If you have any questions regarding the installation process or we can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us on 0044 (0) 1235 812511 / <u>sales@thefigaroshop.co.uk</u>