

Instructions for Fitting Grille insert to S –Type Jaguar 2004 (post face-lift) to 2008

Note: *this mesh insert is for the model that received the minor facelift in 2004; this model can be easily distinguished by its slightly smaller grille. If you look at the image below you can see that the vertical measurement from inside the grille frame below the badge to the inside of the grille frame at the bottom of the grille is approx 280mm. Also this model usually has a badge with the Jaguars face within a circular badge with the word JAGUAR at the bottom of the badge in small text. (Whereas the pre-facelift model had a vertical measurement of approx. 300mm, so this mesh will not fit. And usually this earlier model does not have the 'circular' badge with text, just the jaguars face without the circular badge)*



Above: *This insert is for grilles that are approx. 280mm high (inside the frame)*

Tools required: 10mm socket and ratchet, 2 x screwdriver with thin flat blade, Hacksaw blade, Sandpaper, Sanding tool (Dremel type), black paint or spray or black permanent marker pen (with thick tip)

Open the bonnet, locate & remove the 2 bolts, (one either side of the grille) see Fig 1



There are two nuts/bolts located at the rear of the grille, approx positioned behind the circles shown in Fig 2, undo the nuts. Also underneath each of the two bolts, there is a plastic clip projecting from the rear of the grille frame; unclip these by gently easing them outwards slightly, this will now allow you to remove the grille assembly from the car.



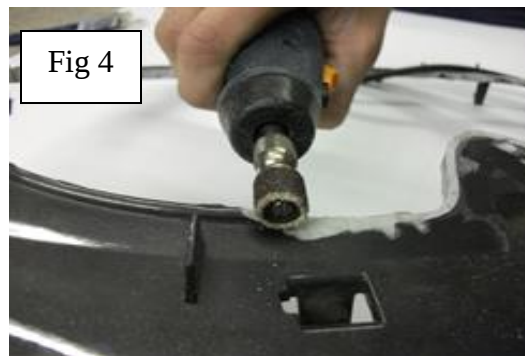
Take the grille assembly to a work surface. We suggest placing a piece of soft material on your work surface to protect the front from being scratched.

First you need to separate the front chrome (or colour coded) frame from the plastic grille assembly at the back; to do this use 2 flat blade screwdrivers and carefully pry the clips open.

Once you have separated the two pieces, you can start to cut out the vertical plastic bars from the grille assembly. We recommend that you use a small hacksaw blade, see Fig 3. When they have all been removed, sand down any rough edges on the inside of the frame with sandpaper or a file.



Some models have a small ridge protruding around the front of the grille assembly; this can prevent the chrome (or colour coded) frame from clipping onto the grille assembly when the mesh is inserted. So we recommend this to be sanded off. We recommend using a rotary tool such as a Dremel as shown in Fig 4, or a small orbital sander.



On the inside of the grille assembly from where you have cut away the bars & sanded down, it will now be light in colour; it is recommended to darken this area so that these light areas will not be seen through the mesh when the grille is fitted to the car; you can use black paint or spray or a black permanent marker pen to do this.

With the chrome (or colour coded) frame laying face down on a soft surface, place the mesh insert onto the back of it making sure it sits evenly see Fig 5.

*****Please note: Due to the nature of the stainless woven wire mesh, it can 'concertina' or compress a little, if this has happened then it simply needs to be pulled back into shape.***

Now position the rear grille assembly on top of the mesh and the rear of the chrome frame and press the two pieces together see Fig 6. This needs to be done carefully but with a little force. Keep a close eye on the clips to make sure that they engage correctly without damaging them.



With the new grille insert fitted, check that all is correct and then refit the grille assembly back onto the car. Regular polishing with a metal polish cream (ie Brasso or similar) will increase the shine on the stainless mesh. It will then maintain its lustre for the lifetime of your Jaguar.



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