

When resealing framed or frameless windows, ports and/or windscreens on Hunter sailboats, Dow Corning 795 adhesive or an equivalent should be used.

To remove a frameless windscreen or window:

1. Remove all fasteners.
2. Go to a corner of the windscreen or window, any corner will work.
3. Using the smallest ice pick (or something similar) push inward (from the outside) between the windscreen (or window) and fiberglass deck or hull towards the interior. You are going to make a hole from the outside to the inside. Push the ice pick in at a slight angle. Visualize the windscreen or window resting on an underlying fiberglass embossment. Most embossment flanges will range from ½" to about 1" in width, according to the size of the item.
4. Once completed take a piece of heavy monofilament line, about 40 pound will work (not weed eater size), push it through the hole. Have about 12" hanging out of each side of the hole.
5. With a person inside and a person outside wrap the loose ends of monofilament around a piece of wood or something easy on the hands.
6. Pulling the monofilament tight simultaneously pull the monofilament slowly around the circumference of the windscreen or window slicing through the old caulking.
7. Once separated from the deck or hull remove old adhesive with blunt putty knife.
8. Before reinstalling lightly sand (600 grit) the fiberglass embossment and windscreen or window, turning the surfaces from glossy to dull. You should see where the old caulking has etched into the two pieces leaving a glossy surface. The new caulking will not adhere properly to this. Clean both surfaces with dish detergent & water and allow to air dry before reinstalling.
9. Apply a generous amount of new 795 Dow adhesive and reinstall.

To remove a framed windshield, hatch or port:

1. Remove all fasteners.
2. Using a sharp putty knife gently force the blade between the mounting frame of item to be removed and the fiberglass deck or hull to cut/separate the adhesive joint.
3. Once the adhesive joint has been cut/separated, around the entire circumference of the item, lift from one corner section of the mounting frame.
4. Remove old adhesive with a blunt putty knife.
5. Lightly sand (600 grit) the fiberglass embossment area to remove any glossy finish.
6. Clean with dish detergent & water and allow to air dry.
7. After drying apply a generous amount of new Dow 795 adhesive and reinstall.