

# Washing Windshields

"I've told you a thousand times" is one of a mother's favorite expressions. It's usually followed by her shaking her head and mumbling, "That boy just won't listen."



Since the Kiowa first landed, the word's been told a thousand times how to wash the plastic windshield to prevent scratching. And yet, maintenance folks are shaking their heads and mumbling, "Those boys just won't listen," as they look at windshields so scratched you can't see through them.

So here once again is how to wash the OH-58 windshield. Cut out the steps and post them prominently. Make sure they're read and reread before a windshield cleaning job takes place.

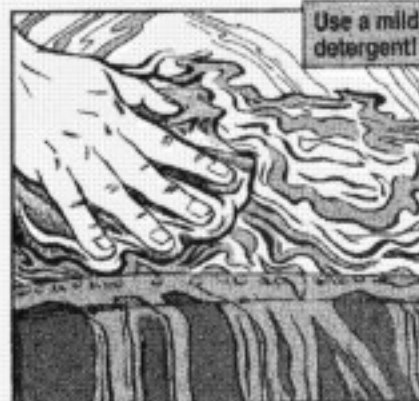
**STEP ONE:** Remove your rings and watches and keep your hands bare.

**STEP TWO:** Flush the windshield with running water and loosen the dirt with your bare hand.



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**STEP THREE:** Wash the windshield with a mild detergent and water solution. NSN 7930-00-880-4454 gets a gallon of detergent. NSN 7930-00-281-4731 brings a 50-lb box.

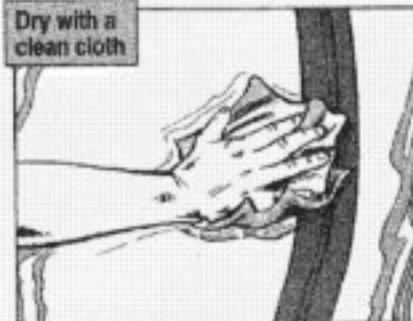


Carry the solution from the bucket to the windshield with flannel cloth, NSN 8305-00-641-5606, or chamois.

**NEVER USE THE CLOTH OR CHAMOIS ON THE WINDSHIELD UNTIL YOUR HAND TELLS YOU THERE IS NOTHING ABRASIVE, SUCH AS SAND OR DIRT, LEFT TO SCRATCH THE SURFACE.**



**STEP FOUR:** Rinse off the suds thoroughly with the hose, then dry the windshield with a clean, damp chamois or a soft, clean cloth, NSN 8305-00-656-1259.



**STEP FIVE:** Check closely for minor scratches and crazing. Polish them out with polishing kit, NSN 1560-00-450-3622.

**STEP SIX:** Gently pat the windshield with a clean, damp chamois to remove electrostatic charge.

Cleaning the Kiowa windshield is not a hard job, but it is a very precise one. Follow the above steps with no shortcuts and change a mother's comment to, "My boy did that!"