

# 1966-1968 Airstream Glass Installation



All 1966 to 1968 Airstream windows appear to be identical, but they are not. There are several variations on the hinge and **glass bar** (the part of the frame that holds the glass). The method for replacing the glass is slightly different depending on which glass bar your window has. The following information applies only to operable awning-style windows.

## 1966 Small Windows

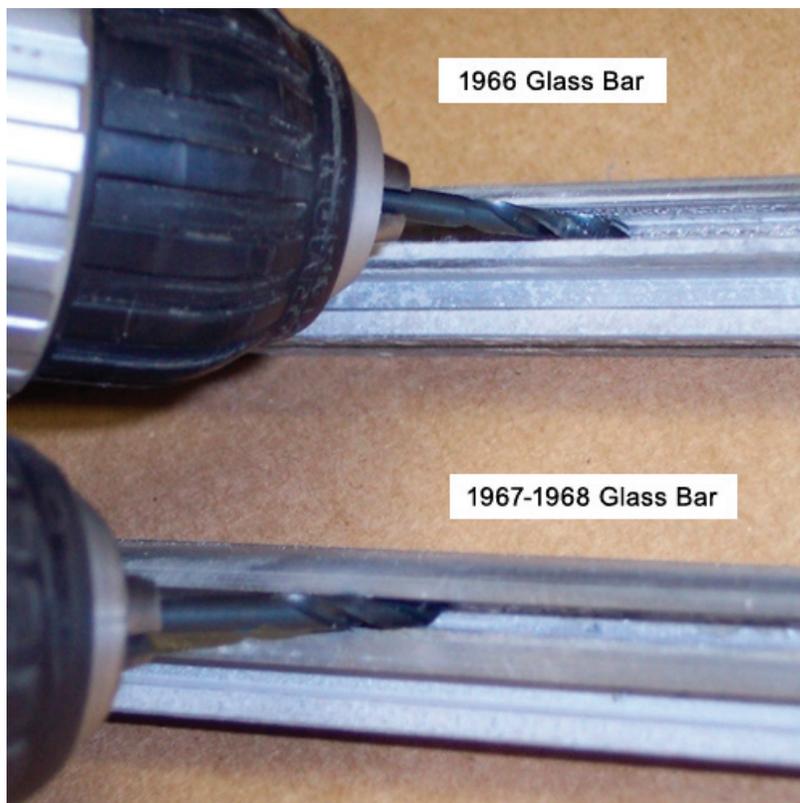
The one-piece combination glass bar and hinge is removed by first disconnecting the long elevator linkage from the glass bar arm attached to the back side of the hinge. Then lift the hinge to almost straight up and it will drop out of its mating hinge.

## 1966-1967 Windows

Again, glass bar arm must be detached from long linkage. The hinge remains on the frame and the one-piece glass bar is removed by taking out the screws holding the bar to the hinge. The screws are accessible from behind with the window perpendicular to the frame.

## 1968 Windows

The hinge will separate by removing the screws from the backside. This glass bar, itself, is a two-piece clamp so you can either leave it together and treat it as a single channel or try to separate the two pieces for installation. If the pieces are separated, you can use a double face tape to hold the glass in place, sandwiching it between the two bars and reinstalling the screws. We do not have a tape specified for this application, so most people simply treat the two-part bar as a single channel.



## General Installation Method

Before beginning, use a 9/64" drill bit to clean and slightly enlarge the glass channel. See photo.

Clean the top 1" of the glass and the glass bar thoroughly with alcohol before application. Bed the glass to the glass bar using a good commercial grade automotive silicone RTV (caulk). To do so, apply a bead of RTV in the glass bar and slip the glass into the bar. Any excess RTV can be trimmed later after it dries.

Depending on the hinge configuration, the window may be left to cure off the frame or installed and closed tight to the frame for at least 24 hours (refer to RTV instructions).