

HOW TO

Fixing a Spinning Window Crank

Quick Reference Guide

A spinning window crank usually means the internal gears are stripped. This guide walks you through the basic steps to diagnose and address the problem.

Diagnose the Problem

- Check the handle's set screw; tighten if loose.
- Inspect the operator arm; is it connected to the window track?
- Gently try pushing the window open by hand.
- If window is stuck, check if it is painted shut.
- Avoid forcing the crank, which can cause more damage.

Gather Your Tools

- Phillips head screwdriver
- Flathead screwdriver
- Pliers
- Safety glasses
- Putty knife (optional)

Replace the Window Operator

- Remove the handle and any plastic covers.
- Unscrew and remove the old operator mechanism.
- Disconnect the operator arms from the window sash.
- Install the new operator, securing it with screws.
- Reconnect the arms to the sash track.
- Reattach the cover and handle, then test the window.

If the problem is with the window seal or frame, consider our professional window installation services.

