**Shutter Fitting Aftercare - How To Make Your Shutters Last Longer**

We’ve written this shutter fitting aftercare guide to help you maintain the quality, functionality and aesthetics of your shutters for years to come.

Investing your hard-earned money in window shutters is a big decision, but one you won’t regret. Shutters are the perfect finishing touch in any room. They provide you with flexible privacy and light control, better insulation and noise management, and look stylish, timeless and elegant.

And with the cost of living on the rise, it’s more important than ever to look after things well to prolong their lifespan. Especially things which get a lot of use, such as window coverings. You can slow down the natural progression of wear and tear by following our expert advice below…

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**Dos & Don’ts Following Your Shutter Fitting**

Shutters are a more robust option than curtains or blinds, and our [S:CRAFT shutter range](https://www.scottishshutters.co.uk/our-products/shutters/) is crafted from premium materials, 100% waterproof, UV resistant and guaranteed for 5 years.

To keep your new shutters in excellent working order, there are a few dos and don’ts we recommend.

| **Do** | **Don’t** |
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| Clean your shutters regularly with the correct cleaning products for the material | Neglect your shutters and allow dirt and dust to accumulate |
| Use your shutters as intended and open and close them daily | Leave your shutters open or closed for long periods of time |
| Handle your shutters as directed, gently and with care | Open/close your shutter using the incorrect method or use excessive force |

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**How To Clean Your Window Shutters**

Following your shutter fitting, we advise you to clean your new shutters regularly, to keep your shutters looking great and working well.

You should always use the correct cleaning product for the material of your shutters and avoid using a multipurpose cleaner as they can cause discolouration.

If you’re using a cloth, the best is a clean microfiber cloth. They produce static electricity that picks up dust and dirt particles, unlike most dusters that just spread it. They’re also extremely gentle, so are unlikely to scratch the surface of your shutters.

The most effective way to dust shutters is in a smooth motion in a single direction along the slats. If you’ve chosen natural wood, try to go with the grain for a sleek finish.

You should avoid using any cloth or sponge with a scratchy surface, as well as scrubbing hard and circular motions, as this is likely to cause damage.

We always recommend cleaning with a cloth over vacuuming. However, if you’re short on time, you can use a low-power setting with the soft upholstery attachment. Please remember that using a vacuum on full power with a hard-ended attachment isn’t advised.

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**How To Maintain Electric Window Shutters**

[Motorised window shutters](https://www.scottishshutters.co.uk/electric-shutters/) are becoming more popular because of their practicality, convenience and accessibility. Following your shutter fitting, cleaning them isn’t dissimilar to [Electric Shutters](https://www.scottishshutters.co.uk/electric-shutters/)cleaning manual shutters.

* Dust or vacuum top to bottom, remembering to be gentle and use a soft, non-scratchy cloth or attachment. A dry (rubber) sponge on fabric or vinyl is very effective at removing dust and dirt with no water or soap.
* To keep your tracking mechanism moving smoothly, you can use a silicone lubricant spray, being sure to follow the instructions as directed. Try to avoid getting any on the actual shutters though, in case of staining.

If you feel unsure about how to maintain your electric shutters, you can always [ring us](tel:01382761020) for expert advice.

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**What To Do If There’s A Problem Following Your Shutter Fitting**

If you encounter any problem with your shutters following installation, contact the us as soon as possible.

When you choose The Scottish Shutter Company to design, supply and fit your shutters, you’re choosing a family-run business that cares.

We’re so confident in the service and products we supply, we give you a 5-year ‘perfect fit’ guarantee. If you have any issues following your shutter fitting during that time, we’ll be there for you when you need us to get things right again.

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**For Long-Lasting, High-Quality Shutters Look No Further**

The Scottish Shutter Company is Scotland's leading shutter and blind company.

We have over 35 years of specialist knowledge, experience and expertise in all things related to window coverings.

We’ve won [awards](https://www.scottishshutters.co.uk/the-story-behind-our-award-win-bbsa-best-shutter-installation-award-winners/) for our outstanding installation service and we’re accredited members of the British Blind & Shutter Association ([BBSA](https://bbsa.org.uk/company-page/?cid=3656)) - meaning that you can have total trust in the services and products we provide.

[Call us](tel:08000862989) today, and we can discuss how to make your house a home with exceptional window coverings and our expert shutter fitting service.

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With the cost of living on the up, it pays to know how to keep your window shutters looking and working like new for as long as possible. We’re created this handy guide, using our expert industry knowledge, to help you do just that…