



# MAINTAINING YOUR INVESTMENT

## Veterinary Tool & Blade Care Guide



Clippers and blades are essential tools in your veterinary practice. Since they represent a significant investment, proper maintenance should always be a top priority. Keeping them in good condition ensures you're following best practices and delivering the highest quality care to your patients. Read below for the full tool maintenance checklist.

### 1 CLIPPER CARE: MAINTENANCE

Master the steps for all-in-one-care.

#### STEP 1

#### CLEAN

Remove large hair fragments from the blade with a blade brush.



Blade Brush  
#12415

#### STEP 2

#### DISINFECT

Use Cool Care to disinfect, clean, and prevent rust after every use. During extended clipping, use Cool Care to help cool the blade. Hold the clipper with the blade facing downward, turn it on, and spray both the front and back of the blade from about 6" away. Turn the clipper off, then wipe away any excess product with a clean cloth. Ensure that blade surfaces are wet for 10 minutes to kill germs and viruses.



Cool Care Plus  
#12750

#### STEP 3

#### LUBRICATE

Use Andis Clipper Oil regularly to lubricate and clean your blades—ideally after each use. Hold the clipper with the blade facing downward, turn it on, and apply three drops of oil across the blade teeth and one drop on each back rail. Then, turn the clipper off and wipe away any excess oil with a clean cloth.



Blade Oil  
#12108

View the full maintenance steps in action, depending on the type of clipper you have. Click or scan the QR codes to watch the Adjustable or Detachable Blade Clipper videos.



Adjustable Blade  
Maintenance



Detachable Blade  
Maintenance

**OPTIONAL STEP** (If your tool has extra dirt and debris build-up)

## DE-GUNK YOUR CLIPPER

Wash away hair, buildup and preservatives that accumulate on blades using this Vitamin E enriched formula. Works as a deodorizer, lubricant, cleaner and rust preventative. Turn off clipper or trimmer and pour approximately 1/8"-1/4" of Blade Care Plus into the lid or shallow pan. Dip blade only into solution for 10 seconds. Remove and wipe off excess with a clean cloth.



Blade Care Plus  
#12570 (Jar)

## 2 CLIPPER CARE: BLADE DRIVE

Signs your blade drive need to be replaced include: lines on the patient, the tool not cutting as clean as before, or the blade dragging through the coat. Replacing this part will inject new life into your tool!

To replace your blade drive, turn off your clipper and snap off the detachable blade. Then, slide off the blade drive cap and remove the screws with a Phillips screwdriver. Finally, lift out the drive assembly and insert the new blade drive.

Click [here](#) or scan the QR code to watch the how-to video.



## 3 CLIPPER CARE: BLADES

Signs your blade needs to be replaced (or sharpened) include: pulling or tugging when cutting the coat, taking several passes before any hair comes off and the blade is nicking the skin.

A general rule of thumb would be to sharpen at least once every two months. Note, however, that the more you groom, the more you should sharpen.

Did you know you can just replace the cutter? Yes, you can! Click [here](#) or scan the QR Code to watch the how-to video.



### When to Retire a Blade

Your blade can withstand several sharpenings during its life. Signs that it might be time to retire a blade include missing teeth or the blade running too hot.

**NOTE:** If a tooth is missing, replace the blade immediately as grooming with a blade that has missing teeth is dangerous.