# **EZ Shucker – Blade Replacement Guide**

The **Safe** and **Easy** way to **Open** Oysters
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#### **Blade Kit #0530**

Everything you need for an easy blade replacement — Allen wrench, blade, Loctite, washer, and these step-by-step instructions.

#### Safety Reminder:

Always handle the blade with care. Work on a clean, stable surface, and allow any heated parts to cool before reassembly.

#### Before You Begin:

Read through the complete instructions first to determine if you have everything needed to complete the installation.

If you're missing any components, call us before you start — we can provide the parts you need and talk you through the process to ensure a safe and proper installation.

For assistance, call EZ Shucker at 800-426-7254.

# Step 1 — Remove the Old Blade

Remove the return spring and safety shield.

Slide the rubber shock washer upward, away from the blade collar.

Loosen the set screw in the collar using the provided Allen wrench.

Gently tap the collar downward with a soft object (such as a screwdriver handle or a small piece of wood).

If the collar feels tight, apply gentle heat (around 350–400°F) with a torch or heat gun to soften the old Loctite.

Wrap a wet rag around the lower plastic bushing to protect it from heat.

Tap lightly while heating until the collar and blade loosen.

Remove the old blade, collar, and shock washer.

## Step 2 — Clean and Prepare

Thoroughly clean the lower shaft, blade slot, and collar.

All parts should be clean, dry, and free of debris before installing the new blade.

#### Step 3 — Install the New Blade

Slide the new shock washer and collar onto the shaft just above the blade slot.

Apply one or two drops of Loctite 609 (included in the kit) to both sides and the top of the new blade shank.

Insert the blade fully into the slot, then slide the collar down over the blade until it sits flush at the end of the shaft.

### Confirm:

The blade is fully seated and straight.

The collar and blade fit snugly together.

The blade does not stick out past either side of the shaft.

Lightly tighten the set screw, check alignment, then snug it down.

Wipe away any extra Loctite.

#### Step 4 — Allow the Loctite to Cure

Let the adhesive set for at least 12 hours before using your EZ Shucker again.

The Loctite is what holds the blade in place — the small set screw only helps during curing and keeps the stop collar positioned correctly.

The EZ Shucker blade will not stay in place if Loctite is not applied and allowed too fully dry.

#### Step 5 — Reassemble

Reinstall the return spring and safety shield, and your EZ Shucker is ready to use.

#### Blade Care

The EZ Shucker blade is made from hardened 420 stainless steel for strength, durability, and corrosion resistance.

It normally requires no sharpening — in fact, it performs best when kept slightly dull for safe, consistent operation.

If the tip ever becomes nicked, you can lightly smooth it with a fine file.

#### Maintenance Tip

If lubrication is needed, use food-safe silicone spray only. Never use cooking oil.