



How to Remove scratches from a CD

This guide is for anyone who has a scratched CD...

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INTRODUCTION

This guide is for anyone who has a scratched CD that is not working any more. In most cases this relatively quick and easy method has worked for me, and hopefully it works for you too.

TOOLS:

- [white toothpaste](#) (1)
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Step 1 — How to Remove scratches from a CD



- Identify any scratches.
- ⓘ Some scratches may be too deep to be removed. In this case, this method may not work.

Step 2



- Take the CD to the sink.
- Wash with lukewarm water to remove any dust or dirt.

Step 3



- Let the CD air dry, or dry with towel.
- ⓘ Use a non-linen towel or your CD will need to be washed again.

Step 4



- Take the toothpaste, and apply it to your index finger.
- Rinse the toothpaste in lukewarm water and apply to the CD.
- Rub toothpaste in a circular motion from the center to the outer edge.
- Add multiple layers of toothpaste to cover all of the scratches.

⚠ Use a white toothpaste, not a gel. Gels containing little beads may cause more damage to the CD.

Step 5



- Let the CD sit for 2 to 3 minutes.

Step 6



- Rinse off the toothpaste with lukewarm water.

Step 7



- Let the CD air dry, or dry with a non-linen towel.
- ⓘ Use a non-linen towel or your CD will need to be washed again.

Step 8



- Inspect your disk.
- If your disk still has scratches, repeat the process.
- ⓘ You could also try to burn the disk onto another disk if the disk is lagging.

To reassemble your device, follow these instructions in reverse order.