

Renault Clio - Weak Windscreen Washer

With only a minimum amount of fluid being pushed out of the washer jets on this 2001 Renault Clio, it was no wonder that they were failing to dampen the windscreen sufficiently to clean it. The owner had tried to clear the washer jets with numerous pieces of wire, but this had failed to have any effect.

Finally, having done all he could without reaching a solution, the Clio was bought into our workshop to have the problem rectified. After disconnecting the washer tube from the washer jet, and then operating the motor, it became clear that the pump was failing to deliver enough screen wash through the pipes.

This meant that it wasn't the washer jets at fault, but a weak washer pump. On this Clio, unlike many modern vehicles, the washer pump



The washer pump on this Clio is easily accessed by unclipping and lifting up the plastic front scuttle panel.

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With the washer bottle cleaned out and a new pump fitted, the screen wash was replenished and the washers tested. They now emitted a good jet of fluid across the windscreen.