

Secrets of Ford's F-150 seamless window

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Ford will offer the pickup truck's segment-first seamless sliding rear window on the 2015 F-150.

The seamless design conceals the vertical seams that mark the edges of conventional pickup truck sliding rear windows, creating a smooth opening when viewed from outside.

Developed by global automotive supplier Magna International, in association with Ford, the first-to-market design sets a new trend for power sliders by reducing component needs and improving overall functionality and manufacturing efficiency.

Standard sliding rear windows typically contain three pieces of glass – left and right panes that don't move plus the sliding portion in the middle, all held together by a support structure that requires numerous components.

The seamless sliding rear window uses only two pieces of glass – the exterior surround and the sliding portion, reducing build componentry and complexity.

The window's opening is the same size as the outgoing design.

In addition to its streamlined looks, the window's two-piece design enables continuous uninterrupted defrost capability for the larger surrounding glass.

The new design also contributes to vehicle weight savings, as the seamless power slider uses a lighter window control module.

Overall, up to 700 pounds have been saved through the use of smarter design and advanced materials, helping the all-new F-150 tow more, haul more, accelerate quicker and stop shorter, and contributing to efficiency.



Ford will offer a new seamless sliding rear window design that will be available on the all-new 2015 Ford F-150. It was developed by Ford with Magna International.

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