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All the parts in this fuel filter are reusable, so it's the only one you'll ever need

Fuel Guard fuel filter

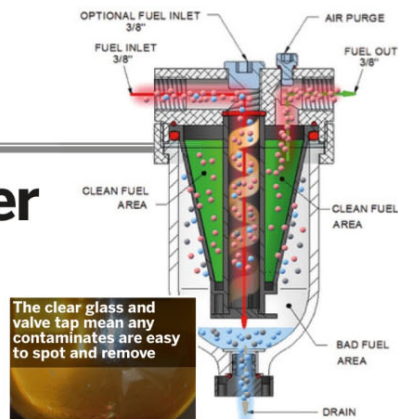
I first came across this fuel filter when writing about it for the New Tech pages of *MBY*. The promised simplicity and ease of filter cleaning appealed to me so much that I decided to fit a pair to my Sunseeker Thunderhawk 43.

My previous filters were the original MAN ones fitted to the boat when new, which were a pain when it came to changing the element. The thin rubber seal for the lower canister always seemed to pinch, resulting in a fuel leak.

The Fuel Guard FGD230 is designed so that you can easily access the filter element without any tools even when bobbing around at sea. You simply unscrew the four knobs holding down the top section of the filter assembly then

pull it aside. The knobs can be unscrewed by hand, which saves fiddling around for the right spanner when time is of the essence. The super fine stainless steel mesh can then be removed and cleaned in fresh fuel or a suitable detergent before refitting it and tightening back down the top section.

Water can be drained off via the tap in the bottom of the filter bowl. However, if you need to clean out the plastic bowl, you can also unscrew the four Allen bolts holding the bottom section of the filter assembly. This is a reverse of removing the top section but without the plastic knobs.



The clear glass and valve tap mean any contaminates are easy to spot and remove

The stainless steel filter sifts out any nasties

When I primed the filter for the first time, with the fuel level very low, dirt was drawn into the filter bowl. But thanks to the transparent bowl it was easy to spot and five minutes later, having drained off the fuel via the tap, I had removed the bowl, cleaned it out, and was set to go again. **Greg Copp**
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Fuel Guard's fuel filter gets the thumbs up, and we also test Henri Lloyd's Dri-pac crew bag and the Scrubbis hull cleaner



86 No more fuel filter faff with the Fuel Guard