

Barrie Hard Water Dishwasher Checklist

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Diagnose the Residue

1 Do the vinegar soak test

Film clears in five minutes. Etching stays cloudy and is permanent.

2 Check glass versus plastic

Film only on plastics usually means the final rinse is too cool.

3 Inspect the tub and element

White powder there is limescale from hard water buildup.

Clear and Prevent

1 Run an acid cleaning cycle

Two cups vinegar or a citric acid cleaner on the hottest empty cycle.

2 Keep rinse aid topped up

Not optional in hard water. It sheets water off before it dries.

3 Cut detergent, stop pre-rinsing

Overdosing and pre-rinsing both worsen film and etching.

4 Run the tap hot first

So the first fill is hot and the final rinse hits 120 to 140F.

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