

ALTERNATIVE BLADE ASSEMBLY REMOVAL AND CLEANING

(Caution: Do not remove blades unless absolutely necessary)

Alternative Blade Assembly Removal with Screwdriver

- A.** Grip the container firmly. Insert a screwdriver as shown to remove retainer nut. Rotate the screwdriver counterclockwise with extreme caution. Remove retainer nut by hand.



Use **caution** when handling the blades; they are sharp.

- B.** Carefully remove the blades by placing a thick cloth over blades and lifting straight out.



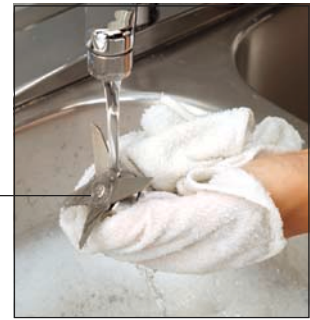
Blade Cleaning



If necessary, scrub with a brush to remove any food left on the blades.

- A.** Wash blades in soapy water.

- B.** Rinse blades under running water. Set aside to dry or carefully wipe with a clean cloth.

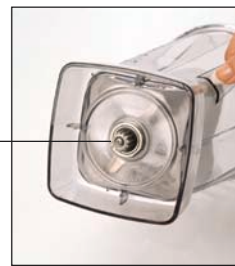


Replacing Blade Assembly in Container



- A.** Grip blades with a cloth and insert into the container.

Align flat sides of blade assembly with the flat sides of the container opening.



- B.** When inserting the blade assembly through the container bottom, align the flat sides.



- C.** Place retainer nut in position and hand tighten. Using wrench or screwdriver (*with caution*), carefully turn clockwise until tight. ***Do not force.***



- D.** Turn container upside down and grip firmly. Insert wrench in groove of container and rotate counterclockwise to loosen retainer nut, then remove retainer nut by hand. A special wrench designed for this purpose (Item #1222) may be purchased through Vita-Mix Customer Service at 800-848-2649. **To order online [click here.](#)**



- E.** Turn the container upside down and grip firmly. Insert a screwdriver between the retainer nut wall and drive spline and CAREFULLY rotate the screwdriver counterclockwise. When loosened, remove the retainer nut by hand.

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