How to refill a Zippo Lighter

This guide will teach you how to refill a Zippo Lighter with lighter fluid.

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INTRODUCTION

Zippo lighter not lighting? You're probably out of lighter fluid! Don't worry, purchase some lighter fluid and follow this guide to learn how to refill it.

TOOLS:
- Paper Clip (1)

PARTS:
- Zippo Lighter (1)
- Lighter Fluid (1)
Step 1 — How to refill a Zippo Lighter

- Purchase lighter fluid – any type but do not use lighter fluid intended for barbecuing.

Step 2

- Open the lid of the Zippo and extract the insert – firmly grip either side of the flint wheel with 2 fingers. Hold the bottom of the Zippo lighter with your other hand and pull up on the metal to free the insert of the lighter from its case.
Step 3

- Set aside the metal casing.

Step 4

- Turn the insert upside down – there should be a felt bottom that reads “Lift to fuel.”
Step 5

- Unravel the paperclip. Lodge one end of the paper clip into the tiny hole and lift up the felt backing.

Step 6

- Squeeze the lighter fluid can once into the loose cotton.

- If your lighter fluid canister is large, you may want to transfer the fluid to a smaller bottle to prevent spillage.
**Step 7**

- Wait 5 seconds, then squeeze the canister twice more into the cotton.

**Step 8**

- Close the felt protector.
Step 9

- Place the metal box back into the case.

Step 10

- Let the Zippo sit and absorb the fluid for 1-2 minutes.
- While waiting, wash your hands.
Step 11

- Light the Zippo.