

# Step By Step: Dual Side Mirror Conversion

T34s were fitted with drivers-side mirrors only as standard equipment but a passenger-side mirror was optional if the owner wanted better visibility. For those owners today who wish for a safer driving experience, dual side mirrors are at the top of their list. However, since RHD T34s were the only ones fitted with right-side mirrors, there is a bit of conversion that is necessary to accomplish the task.



Left-hand-drive owners need to locate a used RHD T34 vent frame (above) from England, Japan, Australia, New Zealand, & South Africa as well as a used T34 mirror (left or right side). Only the stud & thread parts are really necessary for the mirror conversion process.



ISP West sells new repro early side mirrors for both left & right sides (above). These mirrors have the T3 mounting stud/threads which cannot be used on a T34. Fortunately the original T34 stud/thread can easily be transferred to the repro T3 mirror. ISP West ([www.vwispwest.com](http://www.vwispwest.com)) #MNVW3-028 (left mirror) & #MNVW03-029 (right mirror) are \$80/pair on eBay or can be ordered directly from ISP West for more.



Begin with the mirror conversions. Use a 10mm socket to remove the inner nut holding the thread part onto the arm-stud (right side of pic above). A spring should also come out and the thread will come off the stud. Next carefully loosen & remove the lower chromed tip (bottom center of pic above) with a flathead screwdriver, making sure not to break off any of the sides of this fragile part. Once removed the inner spring & washer come off and the stud can be removed from the mirror head. Take the T34 stud & thread parts and install them onto the T3 mirror head and the conversion is done.

Next remove the right vent frame (mirrorless) from the T34 (see other Step-by-Step for directions). Install the RHD right vent frame and reassemble the door hardware. Install the dual side mirrors and you are finished.



The result is a matching pair of new side mirrors that look 100% original for the 1962-65 T34s. It's not known if the larger mirror head on 1966 T34s can be converted this way as well. And the 1967-69 T34s all use standard Beetle mirrors, so this conversion is also easy.