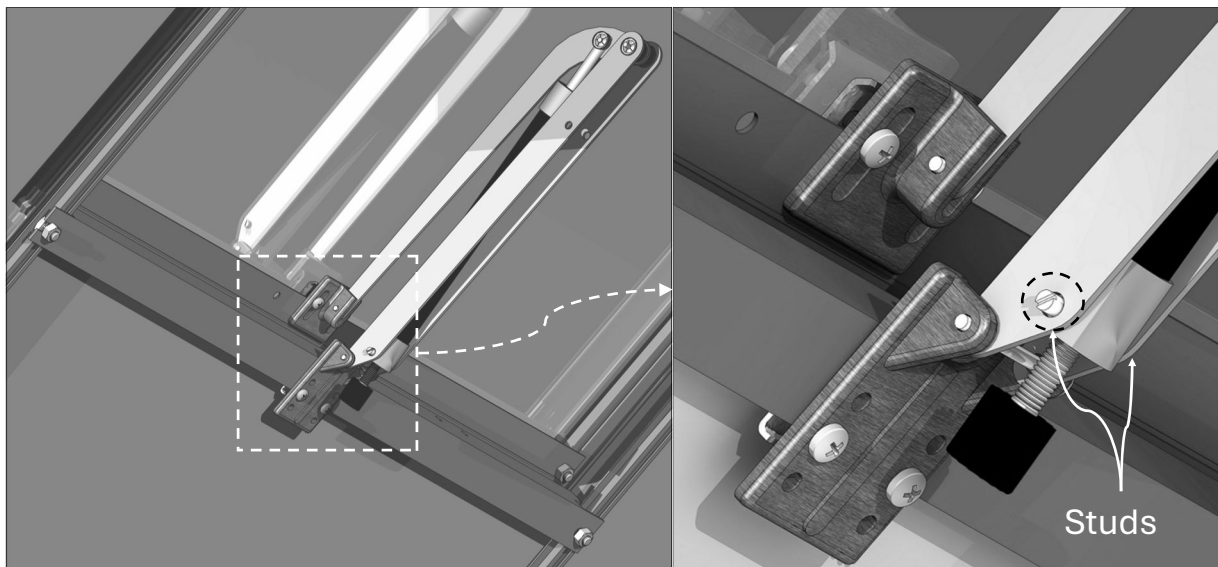


How to disconnect your Thermofor autovent prior to high winds.

When high winds are predicted it is important to minimize the chances of your greenhouse suffering from wind damage. Best practice is to shut all vents, louvres and door/s and ensure they are secure.

To help further secure your closed window/s from opening you can tie the arms of your Thermofor autovent together but before you do that it is **VITAL** that you disconnect the powertube from its housing first, see images below. Failure to do this could cause the tube to burst if the temperature increases and you have restricted the arms from opening.

To disconnect the powertube from its frame remove the two stud screws, see below, with a small flat screwdriver. Once the tube is free from the frame reinsert the studs back into the tube for safe keeping. It is now safe to tie the arms of your autovent together with some garden twine. In the Winter you may also wish to consider removing the tube entirely and putting it somewhere dark and cool to prolong its life.



To reconnect the powertube you need to do the reverse of the above. Make sure the tube is cool when reinserting it so that the piston rod can depress inside it enough so the stud holes realign with the holes in the arms.

Is my Thermofor autovent powertube faulty / worn out?

Autovents contain a wax which expands and contracts with temperature. If a roof autovent is leaking this oily wax it will need to be replaced, follow the link below:

<https://www.greenhousepeople.co.uk/greenhouse/19597/cylinder-for-thermofor-roof-vent-opener/>

If your powertube is **NOT** leaking wax then it may just need resetting. To do this remove the tube from its frame and pop it in the fridge for 30 minutes. The wax inside the unit will contract which can give it a new lease of life. The tube can now be reinstalled.