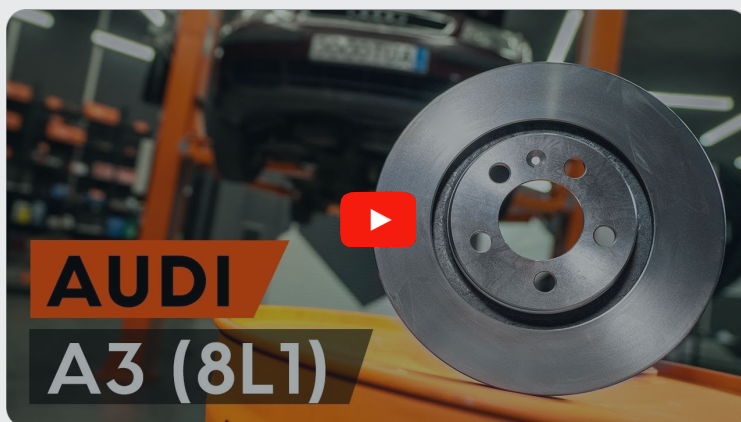




How to change front  
brake discs on **Audi A3**  
**8L1** – replacement guide

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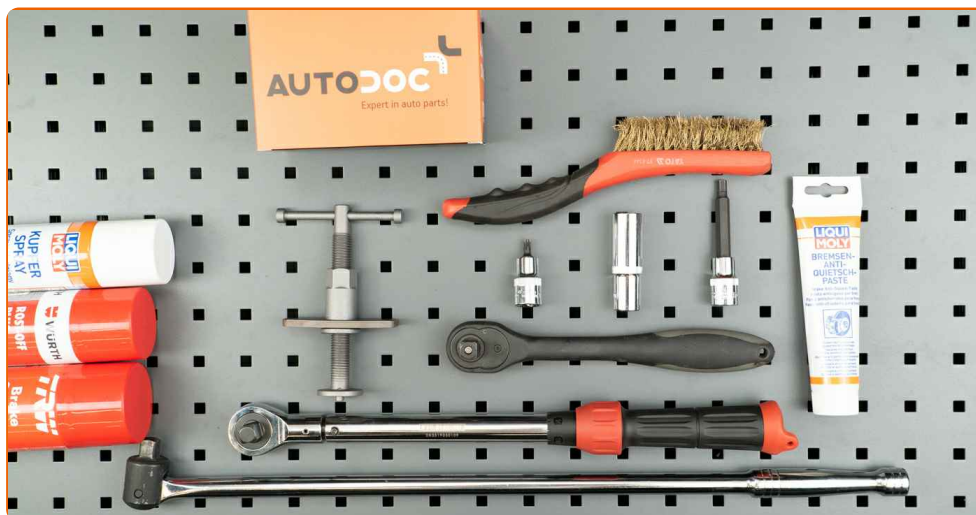
** Important!**

This replacement procedure can be used for:

AUDI A3 Hatchback (8L1) 1.6, AUDI A3 Hatchback (8L1) 1.8 T, AUDI A3 Hatchback (8L1) 1.9 TDI, AUDI A3 Hatchback (8L1) 1.8 T quattro, AUDI A3 Hatchback (8L1) 1.9 TDI quattro

The steps may slightly vary depending on the car design.

REPLACEMENT: BRAKE DISCS – AUDI A3 8L1. LIST OF THE TOOLS YOU'LL NEED:



- Wire brush
- WD-40 spray
- Brake cleaner
- Copper grease
- Torque wrench
- HEX bit No.H7.
- Torx bit T30
- Wheel impact socket #17
- Crow bar
- Rubber mallet
- Wheel chock

**BUY TOOLS**

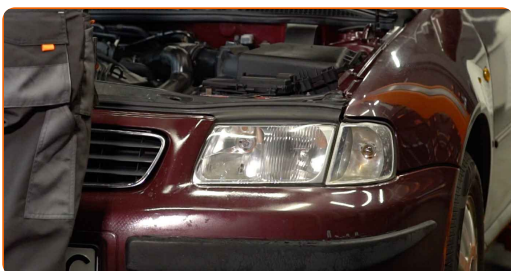
Replacement: brake discs – Audi A3 8L1. AUTODOC experts recommend:

- Replace the brake disks on the car Audi A3 8L1 in complete set for each axis. Regardless of the state of components. This will ensure even braking.
- The replacement procedure is identical for both brake disks on the same axle.
- When changing the brake discs, always replace the brake pads.
- All work should be done with the engine stopped.

**REPLACEMENT: BRAKE DISCS – AUDI A3 8L1. USE THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE:**

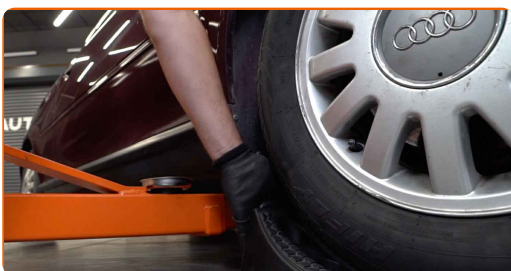
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Open the bonnet. Unscrew the brake fluid reservoir cap.



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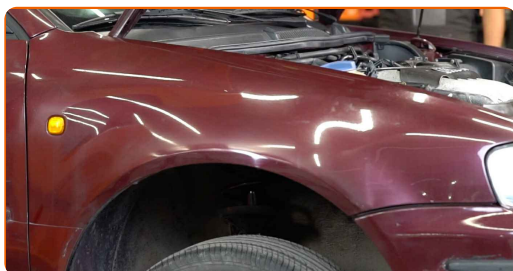
Secure the wheels with chocks.



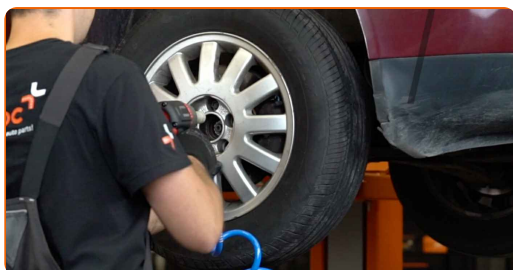
**3** Loosen the wheel mounting bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17.



**4** Raise the front of the car and secure on supports.



**5** Unscrew the wheel bolts.



**Replacement: brake discs – Audi A3 8L1. Tip:**

- To avoid injury, hold up the wheel when unscrewing the bolts.

**6** Remove the wheel.

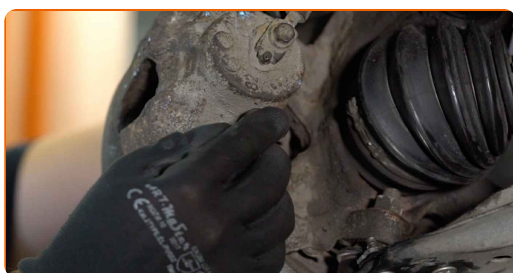


- 7** Disconnect the ABS sensor electric socket. Disconnect the brake pad wear sensor plug. Remove the ABS sensor connector. Remove the connector of the brake pad wear sensor.

**Please note!**

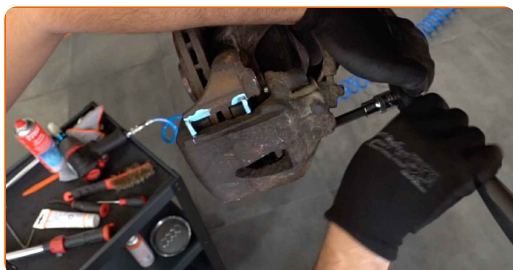
- Some cars are not equipped with the brake pad wear sensor.

- 8** Remove the dust boot caps of the brake caliper guide pins.

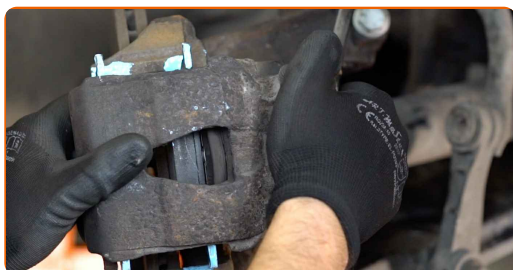


- 9** Spread the brake pads. Use a crowbar.

- 10** Unscrew the brake caliper fastening. Use HEX No.H7.



- 11** Remove the brake caliper.



Replacement: brake discs – Audi A3 8L1. AUTODOC recommends:

- Tie the caliper to the suspension or to the body with a wire without disconnecting from the brake hose to prevent depressurization of the brake system.
- Make sure that the brake caliper is not hanging on the brake hose.
- Don't press the brake pedal after the brake caliper has been removed. As a result, the piston can fall out from the brake cylinder, and brake fluid leakage and depressurization of the system may occur.

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Unscrew the brake disc mounting bolts and remove it. Use Torx T30.

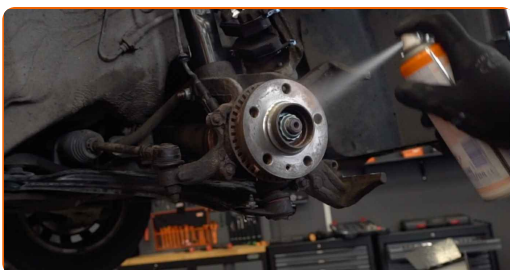


Replacement: brake discs – Audi A3 8L1. AUTODOC experts recommend:

- If necessary, use a rubber mallet.

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Clean the hub. Use a wire brush. Use a brake cleaner.





AUTODOC recommends:

- Replacement: brake discs – Audi A3 8L1. After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.

**14** Treat the contacting surface. Use copper grease.

**15** Install the new brake disc on the hub and tighten the screws.



**16** Tighten the brake disc fastening. Use Torx T30. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 4 Nm torque.



**17** Remove anti-corrosion grease from the new brake disk. Use a brake cleaner.



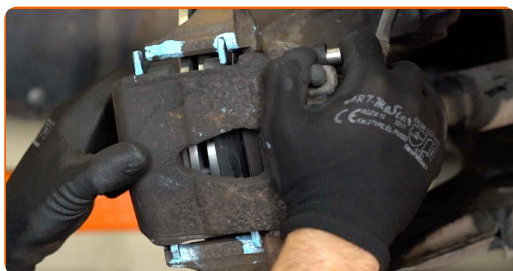


Replacement: brake discs – Audi A3 8L1. Tip from AUTODOC experts:

- After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.
- If necessary, clean the brake caliper mounting seat.

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Install the brake caliper and fix it. Use HEX No.H7. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 28 Nm torque.

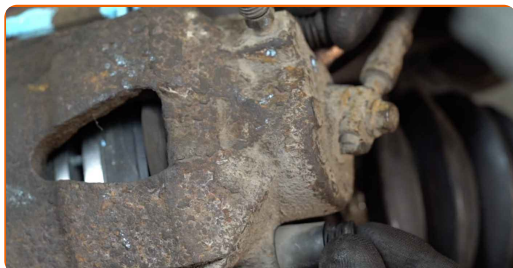


AUTODOC recommends:

- Audi A3 8L1 – Press the brake pedal several times with the engine shut down until you feel the resistance built up.

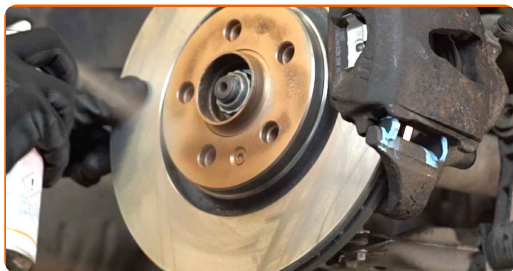
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Install the dust boot caps of the brake caliper guide pins.



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Treat the surface where the brake disc contacts the wheel rim. Use copper grease.



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Install the wheel.

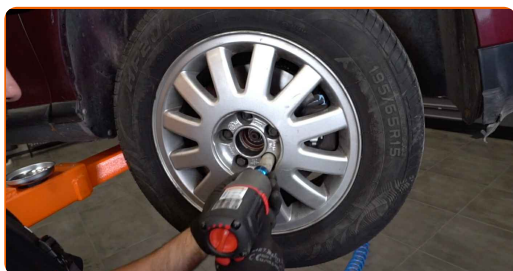


**Replacement: brake discs – Audi A3 8L1. Tip from AUTODOC:**

- To avoid injury, hold up the wheel when screwing in the fastening bolts.

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Screw in the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17.



**23** Lower the car and working in a cross order, tighten the wheel bolts. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 120 nm torque.



**24** Remove the jacks and chocks.



**25** Tighten the brake fluid reservoir cap. Close the hood.



**WELL DONE!** 

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