



How to change front
lower arm on **ABARTH**
PUNTO (199_) –
replacement guide

SIMILAR VIDEO TUTORIAL



This video shows the replacement procedure of a similar car part on another vehicle

Important!

This replacement procedure can be used for:
ABARTH PUNTO (199_) 1.4 (199.AXX1B)

The steps may slightly vary depending on the car design.

This tutorial was created based on the replacement procedure for a similar car part on: FIAT GRANDE PUNTO (199) 1.3 D Multijet

REPLACEMENT: FRONT LOWER ARM – ABARTH PUNTO (199_). TOOLS YOU MIGHT NEED:



- Wire brush
- WD-40 spray
- Brake cleaner
- Copper grease
- Combination spanner #16
- Combination spanner #18
- Drive socket # 16
- Drive socket # E18
- Wheel impact socket #17
- Ratchet wrench
- Torque wrench
- Flat chisel
- Hammer
- Tap wrench
- Hydraulic transmission jack
- Wheel chock

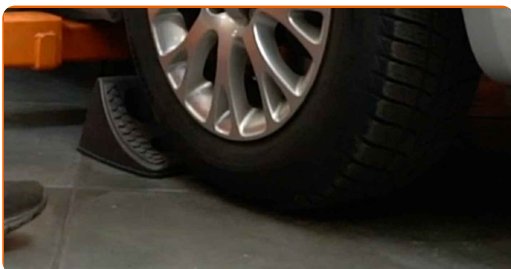
Buy tools

Replacement: front lower arm – ABARTH PUNTO (199_). AUTODOC recommends:

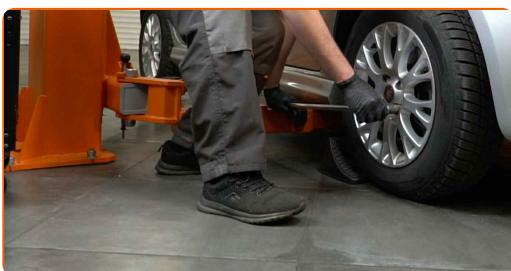
- The replacement procedure is identical for the left and right lower control arms.
- All work should be done with the engine stopped.

REPLACEMENT: FRONT LOWER ARM – ABARTH PUNTO (199_). TAKE THE FOLLOWING STEPS:

1 Secure the wheels with chocks.



2 Loosen the wheel mounting bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17.



3 Raise the front of the car and secure on supports.

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Unscrew the wheel bolts.



AUTODOC recommends:

- Important! Hold the wheel while unscrewing the fastening bolts. ABARTH PUNTO (199_)

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Remove the wheel.



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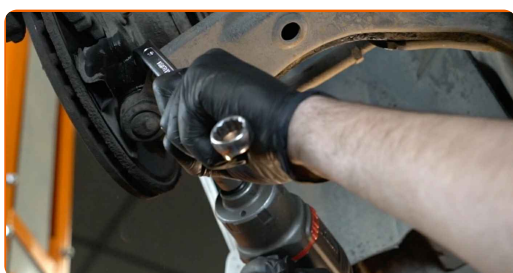
Clean all joints of the arm. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



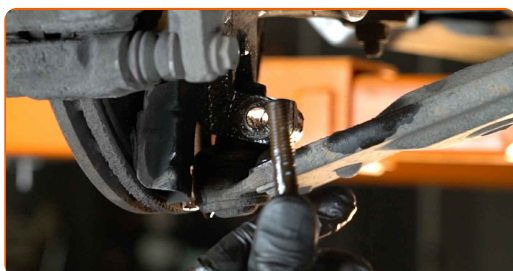
Replacement: front lower arm – ABARTH PUNTO (199_). Tip:

- After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.
- Wear protective goggles.

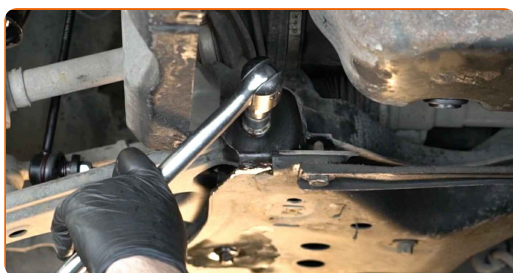
7 Unscrew the ball joint fastening to the steering knuckle. Use a combination spanner #16. Use a drive socket #16. Use a tap wrench.



8 Remove the fastening bolt.



9 Unscrew the front arm fastener. Use a drive socket #E18. Use a tap wrench.



- 10 Unscrew the rear fastener connecting the control arm to the subframe. Use a combination spanner #18. Use a drive socket #E18. Use a tap wrench.



- 11 Remove the fastening bolts. Use a drive socket #E18. Use a ratchet wrench.



- 12 Release the fastener connecting the ball joint to the steering knuckle. Use a flat metal-working chisel. Use a hammer.



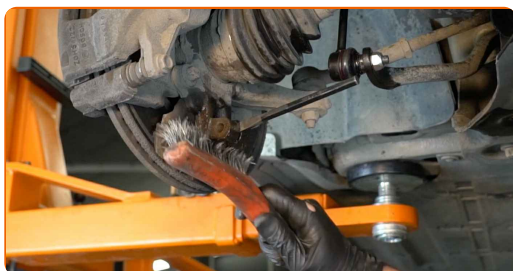
- 13 Disconnect the ball joint from the steering knuckle.



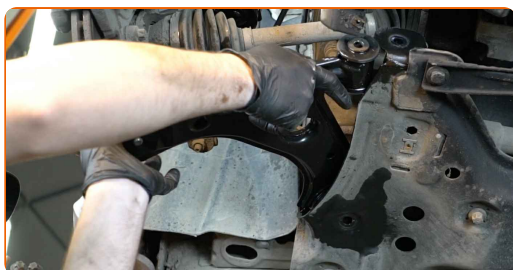
14 Remove the arm.



15 Clean the mounting seats and the thread of the suspension arm. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



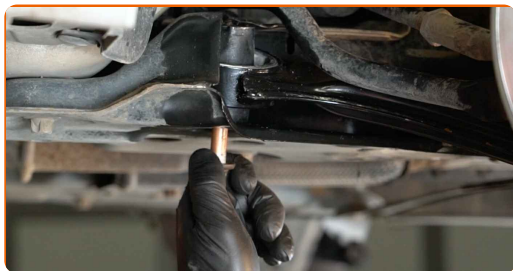
16 Install a new arm.



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- During the installation process, use only new bolts and nuts.
- Do not damage the ball joint cover.

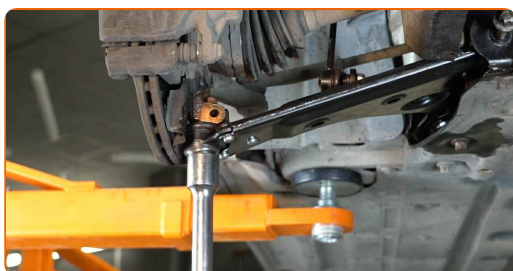
17 Install the fastening bolts. Use a combination spanner #18. Use a drive socket #E18. Use a tap wrench.



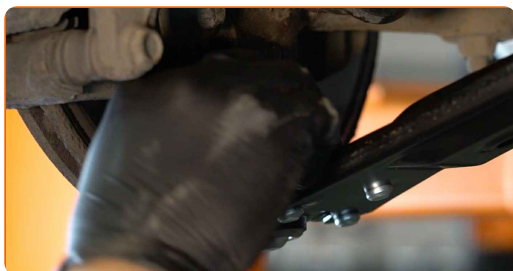
18 Screw the rear fastener connecting the control arm to the subframe. Use a combination spanner #18. Use a drive socket #E18. Use a ratchet wrench.



19 Support the arm. Use a hydraulic transmission jack.



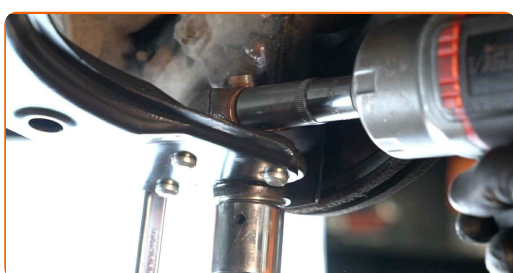
20 Connect the ball joint to the steering knuckle.



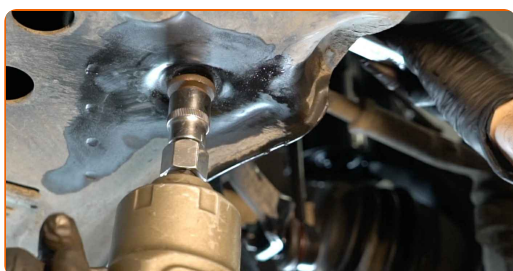
21 Install the fastening bolt.



22 Screw the fasteners of the ball joint. Use a combination spanner #16. Use a drive socket #16. Use a ratchet wrench.



23 Screw the rear fastener connecting the control arm to the subframe. Use a combination spanner #18. Use a drive socket #E18. Use a ratchet wrench.



24 Tighten the front fastener connecting the control arm to the subframe. Use a drive socket #E18. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 60 Nm torque. +90°



AUTODOC recommends:

- Important! Be sure to use new fasteners.

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Tighten the rear fastener connecting the arm to the body subframe. Use a drive socket #E18. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 60 Nm torque. +90°

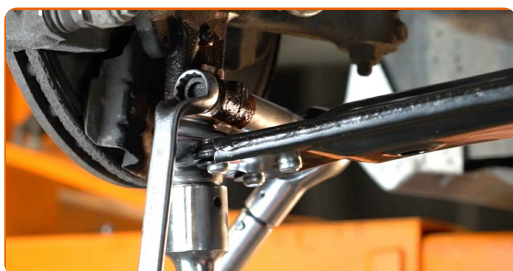


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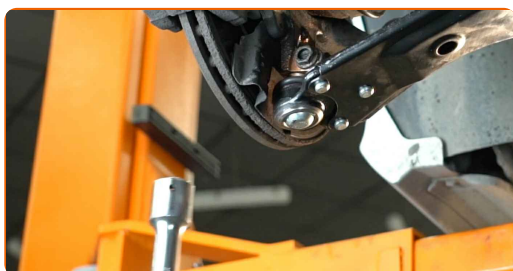
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Tighten the ball joint fastener. Use a drive socket #16. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 50 nm torque.



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Remove the support from under the arm.

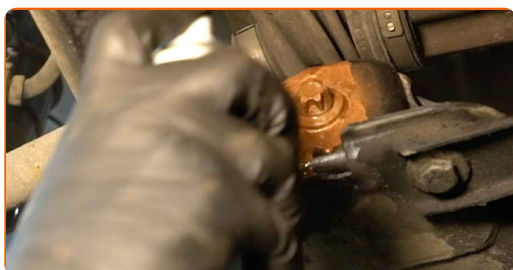


AUTODOC recommends:

- Replacement: front lower arm – ABARTH PUNTO (199_). Lower the transmission jack smoothly, without jerks, to avoid damaging components and mechanisms.

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Treat all joints of the arm. Use copper grease.



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



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Clean the brake disk surface. Use a brake cleaner.



Replacement: front lower arm – ABARTH PUNTO (199_). Tip from AUTODOC:

- After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.

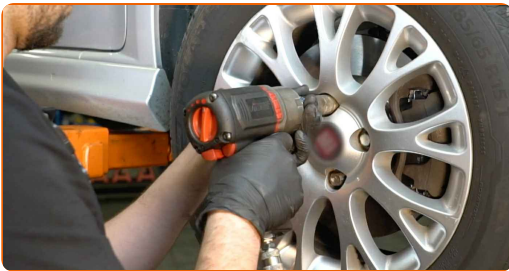
31 Install the wheel.



Replacement: front lower arm – ABARTH PUNTO (199_). Professionals recommend:

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

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



33 Lower the car and working in a cross order, tighten the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 120 nm torque.



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Remove the jacks and chocks.



WELL DONE! 

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