



How to change engine  
thermostat on **AUDI 100**  
**C2 Avant (43)** –  
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:

AUDI 100 C2 Avant (43) 1.6

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: VW GOLF II (19E, 1G1) 1.6

REPLACEMENT: ENGINE THERMOSTAT – AUDI 100 C2  
AVANT (43). TOOLS YOU MIGHT NEED:



- Torque wrench
- Drive socket # 7
- Drive socket # 10
- Drive socket # 13
- Ratchet wrench
- Fluid container
- Funnel
- Fender cover

**Buy tools**

Replacement: engine thermostat – AUDI 100 C2 Avant (43). Tip from AUTODOC:

- Check the condition of the coolant every time you replace the thermostat. Change the coolant if necessary.
- Please note: all work on the car – AUDI 100 C2 Avant (43) – should be done with the engine switched off.

**CARRY OUT REPLACEMENT IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:**

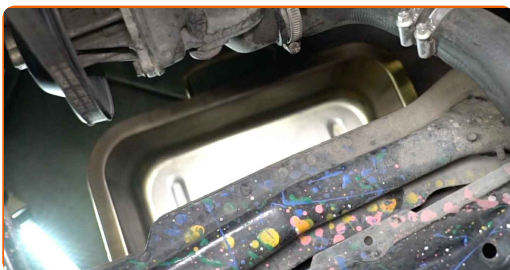
**1** Open the hood.

**2** Use a fender protection cover to prevent damaging paintwork and plastic parts of the car.

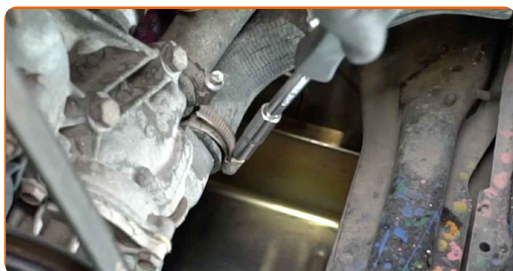
**3** Unscrew the coolant reservoir cap.



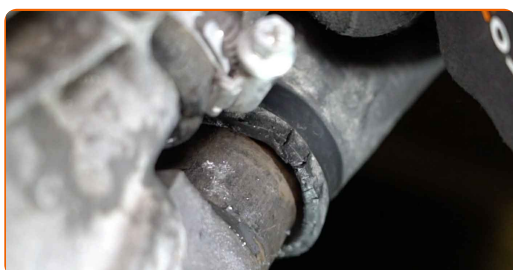
**4** Prepare a container for fluids.



**5** Loosen the coolant hose clamp. Use a drive socket #7. Use a ratchet wrench.



**6** Detach the coolant hose.



**7** Drain the coolant from the engine.



**Replacement: engine thermostat – AUDI 100 C2 Avant (43). Tip:**

- Caution! The coolant can be very hot.
- Wear gloves to prevent contact with hot liquid.
- All work should be done with the engine stopped.
- Wait until the coolant has completely flowed out of the drain hole.

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Unscrew the thermostat housing fasteners. Use a drive socket #13. Use a ratchet wrench.



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Remove the thermostat housing.



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Remove the thermostat.



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- Caution! Coolant may leak out of the coolant lines and thermostat housing.

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Install a new thermostat.

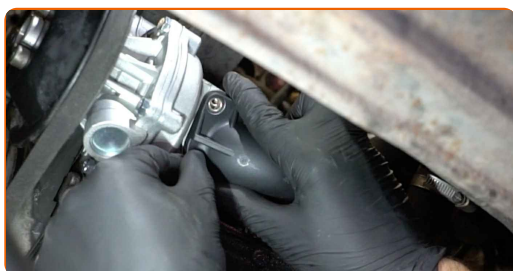


**Replacement: engine thermostat – AUDI 100 C2 Avant (43). Tip:**

- When installing, do not use excessive force to avoid damage to the part.

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Install the thermostat housing.



- 13** Tighten the thermostat housing fasteners. Use a drive socket #10. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 13 nm torque.



- 14** Attach the coolant hose.



- 15** Secure the coolant hose clamp. Use a drive socket #7. Use a ratchet wrench.



- 16** Remove the coolant reservoir cap.

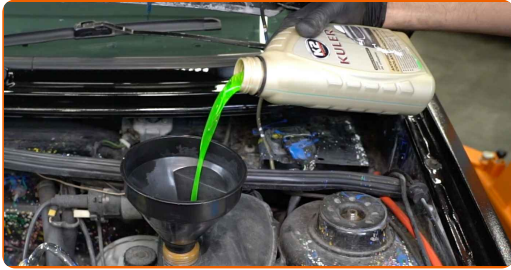
- 17** Insert the funnel.





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Pour coolant in the coolant reservoir.



**Replacement: engine thermostat – AUDI 100 C2 Avant (43). Tip from AUTODOC:**

- Only use the coolant recommended by the manufacturer.
- The coolant level should be at the MAX mark.
- Wait until the air goes out of the system.

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Run the engine for a few minutes. This should be done in order to remove residual air from the cooling system and to check if the components are operating correctly.

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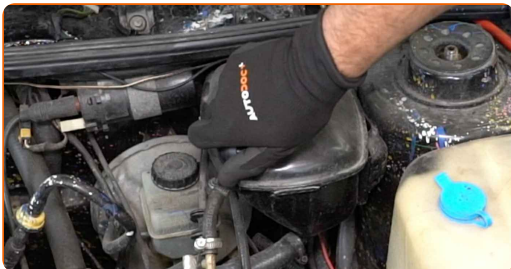
Shut off the engine.

**21**

Install the coolant reservoir cap.

**22**

Screw on the coolant reservoir cap.



**23**

Remove the fender protection cover.

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Close the hood.

**WELL DONE!** 

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