



How to change air filter
on **BMW 1 Hatchback**
(E81) – replacement
guide

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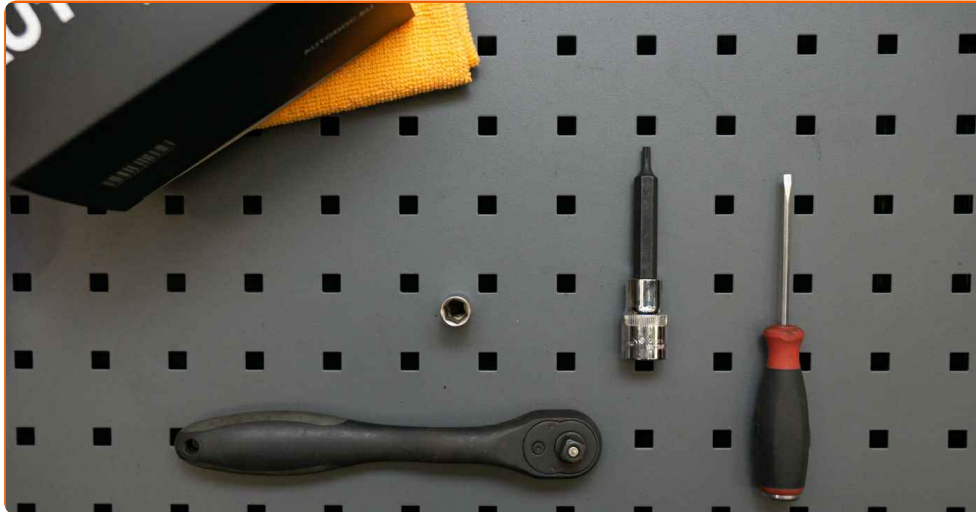
This replacement procedure can be used for:

BMW 1 Hatchback (E81) 116i 1.6, BMW 1 Hatchback (E81) 118i 2.0, BMW 1 Hatchback (E81) 120i 2.0, BMW 1 Hatchback (E81) 116i 2.0

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: BMW 3 Saloon (E90) 318i 2.0

REPLACEMENT: AIR FILTER – BMW 1 HATCHBACK (E81). TOOLS YOU MIGHT NEED:



- Torx bit T25
- Drive socket # 10
- Ratchet wrench
- Flat Screwdriver
- Microfibre towel
- Fender cover

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Replacement: air filter – BMW 1 Hatchback (E81). AUTODOC experts recommend:

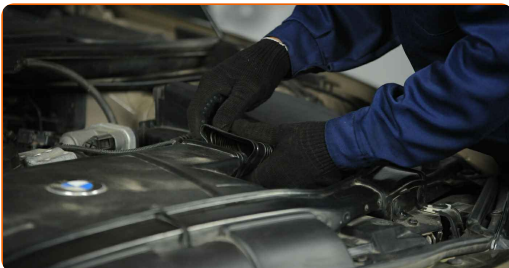
- Follow the terms, recommendations and requirements of the part operation provided by the manufacturer.
- Please note: all work on the car – BMW 1 Hatchback (E81) – should be done with the engine switched off.

CARRY OUT REPLACEMENT IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

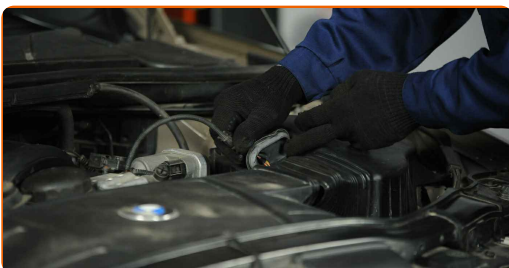
1 Open the bonnet.

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

3 Remove the air intake hose.



4 Unplug the mass air flow sensor connector. Use a flat screwdriver.



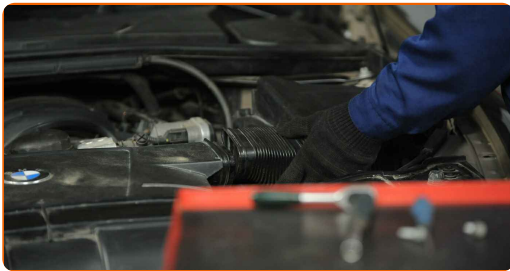
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Detach the air intake hose clamp. Use a flat screwdriver.



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Disconnect the air intake pipe from the air filter housing. Use a flat screwdriver.



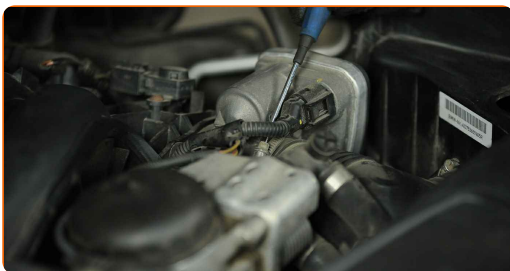
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Unscrew the filter housing fastening bolts. Use a drive socket #10. Use a ratchet wrench.



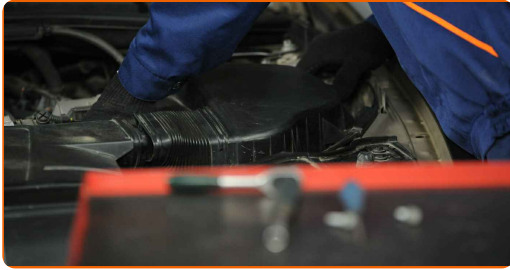
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Unscrew the clamp that fastens the air filter hose to the throttle body. Use a flat screwdriver.



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Remove the air filter housing.



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Undo the fastening screws of the air filter cover. Use Torx T25. Use a ratchet wrench.



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Take off the filter lid. Use a flat screwdriver.



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Remove the filter element from the filter housing.



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Clean the air filter cover and housing.

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- Before cleaning the air filter cover and housing, cover the air duct parts, mass airflow sensor (if available), throttle valve with a clean cloth.

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Insert a new filter element into the filter housing. Make sure that the filter edge fits tight to the housing.



Replacement: air filter – BMW 1 Hatchback (E81). AUTODOC experts recommend:

- Check out the correct location of the filter element. Do not skew.
- Attention! Use quality filters – BMW 1 Hatchback (E81).
- During installation, make sure to prevent dust and dirt from getting into the air filter housing.

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Reinstall the air filter cover. Fasten it.



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Screw in the fastening screws of the air filter cover. Use Torx T25. Use a ratchet wrench.



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Reinstall the air filter housing.

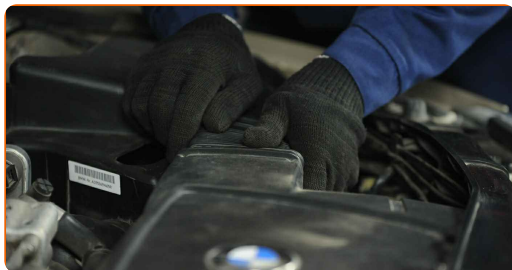


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Secure the air intake hose.

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Connect the air intake pipe to the air filter housing.



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Screw in the clamp that connects the air filter hose to the throttle body. Use a flat screwdriver.



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Fasten the clamp on the air intake hose. Use a flat screwdriver.



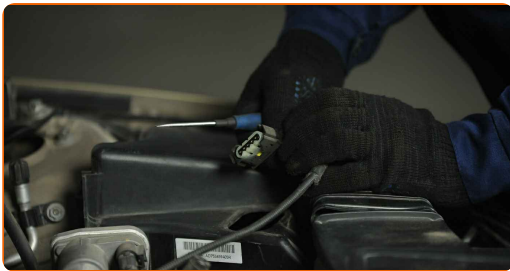
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Screw the filter housing fastening bolts. Use a drive socket #10. Use a ratchet wrench.



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Plug in the mass air flow sensor connector.



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Remove the fender protection cover.

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Close the hood.

WELL DONE! 👍

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