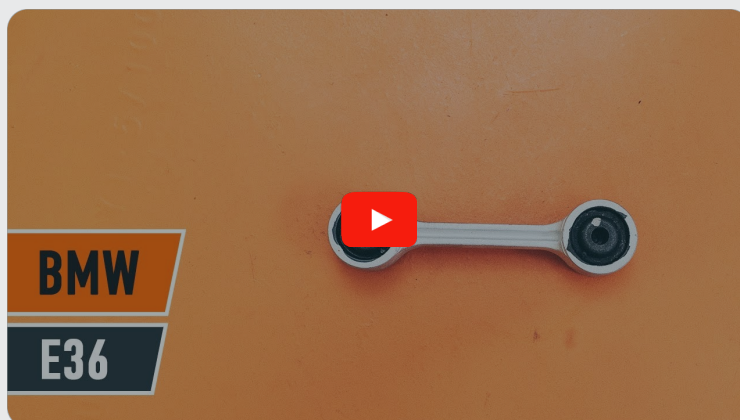




How to change rear anti
roll bar links on **BMW 3**
Compact (E36) –
replacement guide

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:
BMW 3 Compact (E36) 318tds 1.7

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 (E36) 323i 2.5

REPLACEMENT: ANTI ROLL BAR LINKS – BMW 3 COMPACT (E36). LIST OF THE TOOLS YOU'LL NEED:



- Wire brush
- WD-40 spray
- Brake cleaner
- Copper grease
- Torque wrench
- Combination spanner #13
- Drive socket # 13
- Wheel impact socket #17
- Ratchet wrench
- Vice
- Hydraulic transmission jack
- Crow bar
- Wheel chock

Buy tools

AUTODOC recommends:

- Replace the stabiliser links on BMW 3 Compact (E36) in pairs.
- The replacement procedure is identical for both stabiliser links on the same axle.
- Please note: all work on the car – BMW 3 Compact (E36) – should be done with the engine switched off.

CARRY OUT REPLACEMENT IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

1 Secure the wheels with chocks.

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



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

4 Unscrew the wheel bolts.



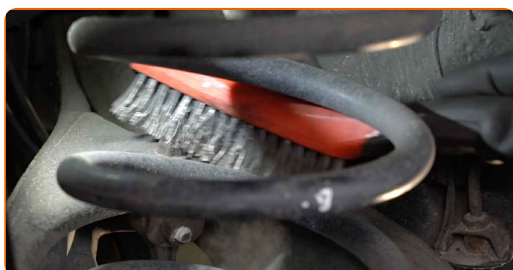
AUTODOC recommends:

- Warning! To avoid injury, hold the wheel while unscrewing the fastening bolts.
BMW 3 Compact (E36)

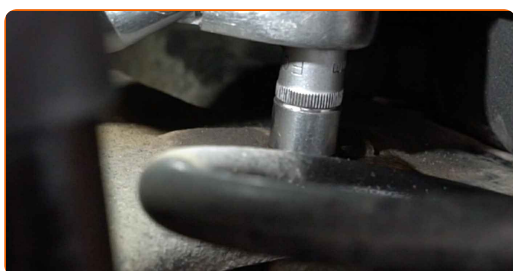
5 Remove the wheel.



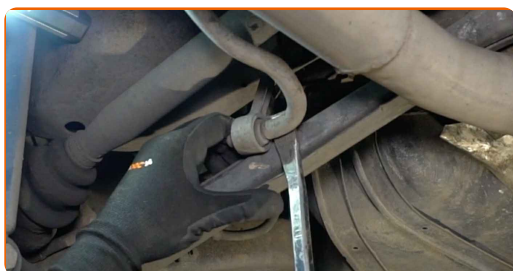
6 Treat all joints of the stabiliser link. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



7 Unscrew the fastener connecting the stabilizer bar with the control arm. Use a drive socket #13. Use a ratchet wrench.

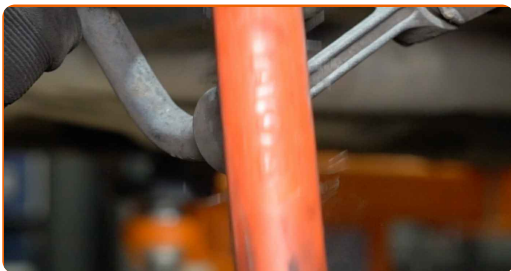


8 Move the stabiliser bar aside. Use a crowbar.



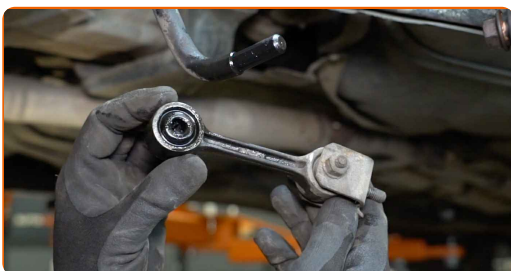
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Clean all joints of the stabiliser link. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



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Remove the stabilizer rod.



Replacement: anti roll bar links – BMW 3 Compact (E36). AUTODOC recommends:

- Examine the stabiliser bushes. Replace them if necessary.

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Grip the stabiliser link in a vice.

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Clean the mounting seats of the stabiliser link. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



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Unscrew the fastener of the stabiliser link bracket. Use a drive socket #13. Use a ratchet wrench.



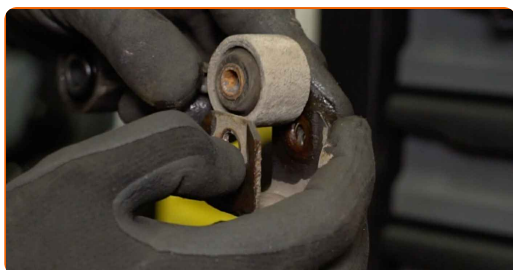
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Remove the fastening bolt.



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Remove the stabiliser link bracket.



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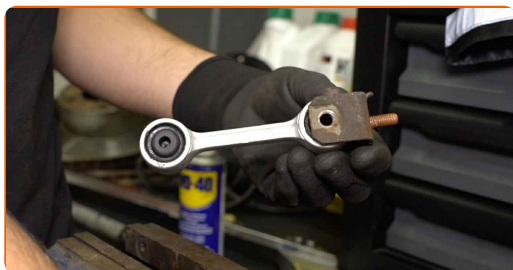
Release the vice and remove the stabiliser link.

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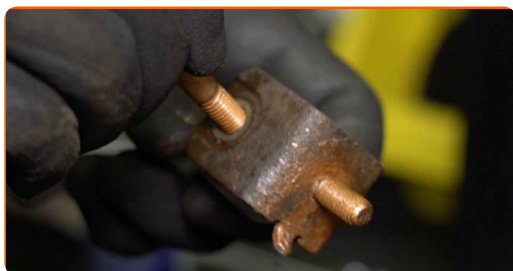
Grip a new stabiliser link in a vice.

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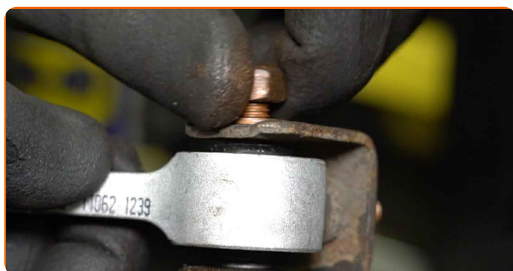
Install the stabiliser link bracket.



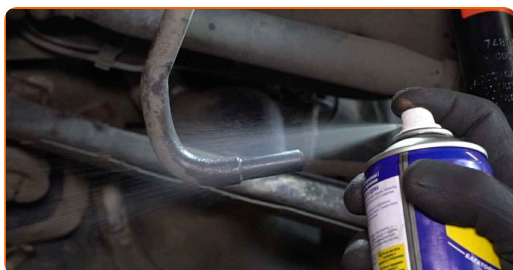
19 Install the fastening bolt.



20 Screw in the fastener of the stabiliser link bracket. Use a drive socket #13. Use a ratchet wrench.

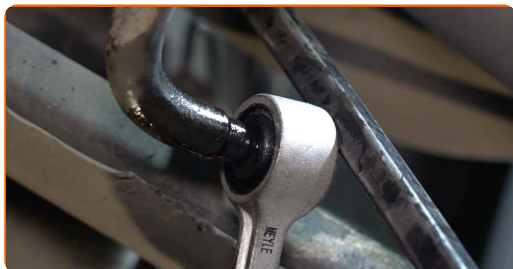


21 Clean the mounting seats of the stabiliser link. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



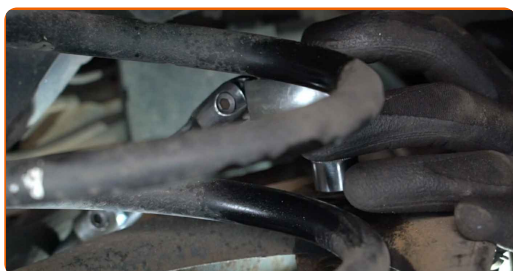
22 Release the vice and remove the stabiliser link.

23 Install the transverse stabilizer link. Use a crowbar.

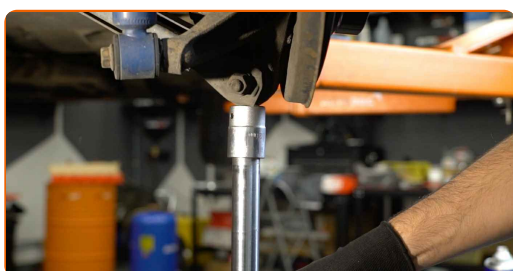


24 Reinstall the stabiliser bar in its mounting seat.

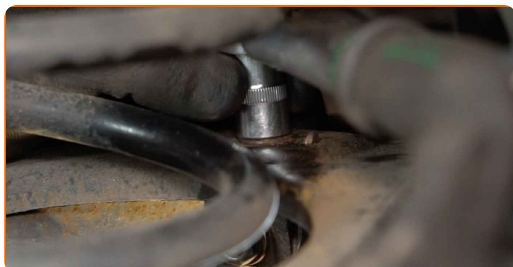
- 25** Screw in the fastener connecting the stabilizer bar to the control arm. Use a drive socket #13. Use a ratchet wrench.



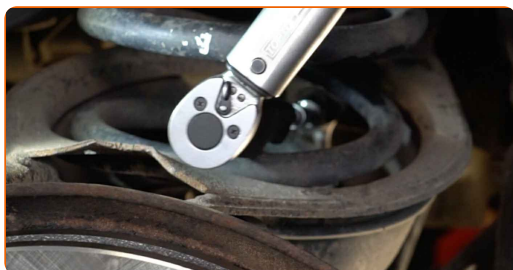
- 26** Support the arm. Use a hydraulic transmission jack.



- 27** Tighten the fastener connecting the stabilizer bar with the control arm. Use a drive socket #13. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 27 Nm torque.



- 28** Tighten the fastener of the stabiliser link bracket. Use a combination spanner #13. Use a drive socket #13. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 25 Nm torque.



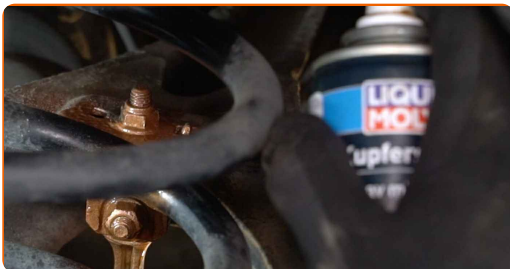
- 29** Remove the support from under the arm.

AUTODOC recommends:

- Replacement: anti roll bar links – BMW 3 Compact (E36). Lower the transmission jack smoothly, without jerks, to avoid damaging components and mechanisms.

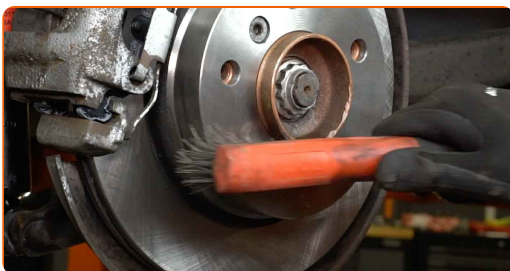
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Treat all joints of the stabiliser link. Use copper grease.



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Clean the wheel rim mounting seat. Use a wire brush.



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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.



AUTODOC recommends:

- Replacement: anti roll bar links – BMW 3 Compact (E36). After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.

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Install the wheel.

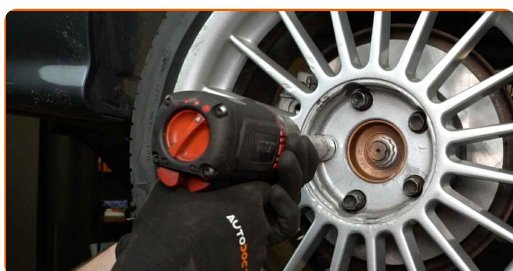


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Screw in the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17.



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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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