



How to change front
lower arm on **CITROËN**
ZX Hatchback (N2) –
replacement guide

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

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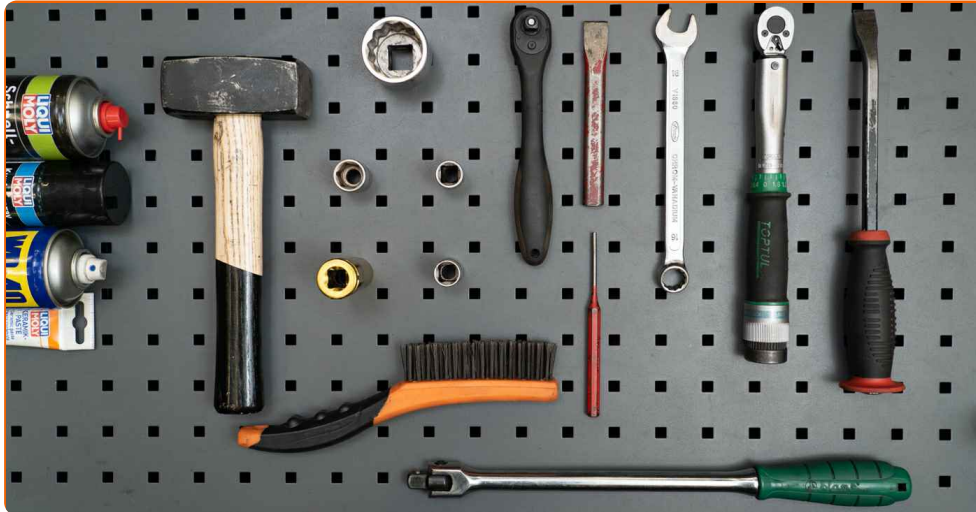
This replacement procedure can be used for:

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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: CITROËN Berlingo / Berlingo First I Van (M) 1.9 D

REPLACEMENT: FRONT LOWER ARM – CITROËN ZX
HATCHBACK (N2). TOOLS YOU NEED:



- Wire brush
- WD-40 spray
- Brake cleaner
- Ceramic grease
- Copper grease
- Torque wrench
- Combination spanner #16
- Drive socket # 13
- Drive socket # 16
- Drive socket # 18
- Drive socket # 36
- Wheel impact socket #19
- Ratchet wrench
- Flat chisel
- Hammer
- Tap wrench
- Pin punch
- Crow bar
- Hydraulic transmission jack
- Wheel chock

Buy tools

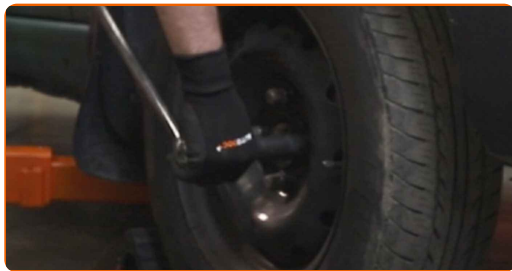
AUTODOC recommends:

- The replacement procedure is identical for the left and right lower control arms.
- Please note: all work on the car – CITROËN ZX Hatchback (N2) – 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 #19.



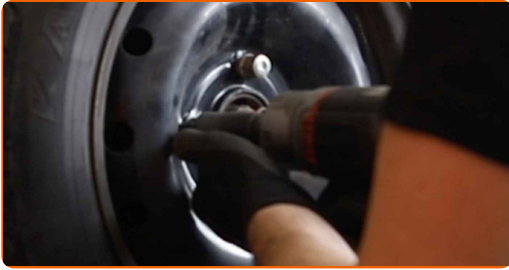
3 Raise the car.

AUTODOC recommends:

- If you are using a jack, make sure it rests on a flat surface without any unevenness.
- Be sure to additionally secure the car with jack stands.

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Unscrew the wheel bolts.



Replacement: front lower arm – CITROËN ZX Hatchback (N2). Tip from AUTODOC:

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

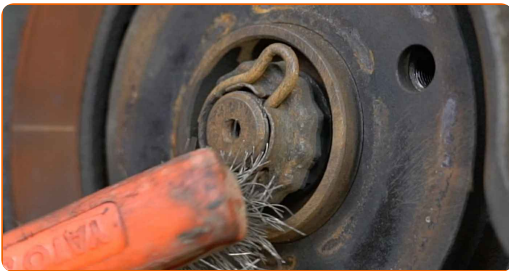
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Remove the wheel.



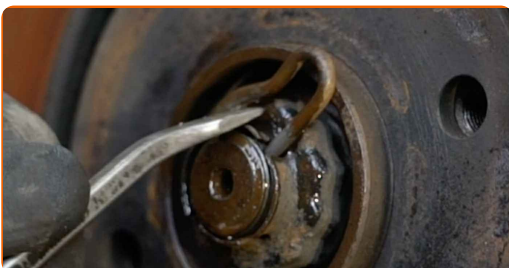
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Clean the fastener of the driveshaft. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.

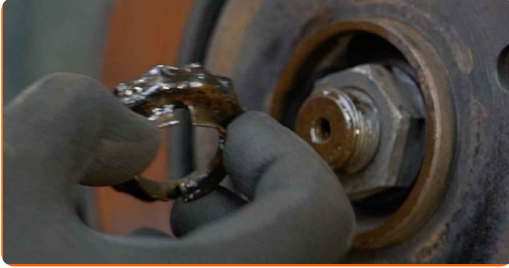


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Remove the cotter pin. Use a crowbar.



8 Remove the circlip.



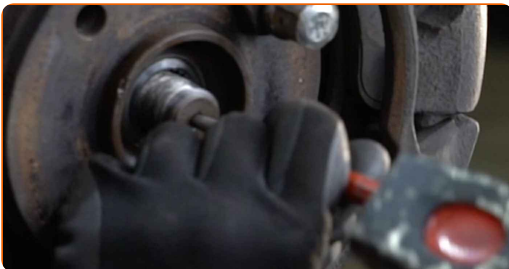
9 Unscrew the fastener connecting the drive shaft to the wheel hub. Use a drive socket #36. Use a tap wrench.



10 Remove the fastening nut.

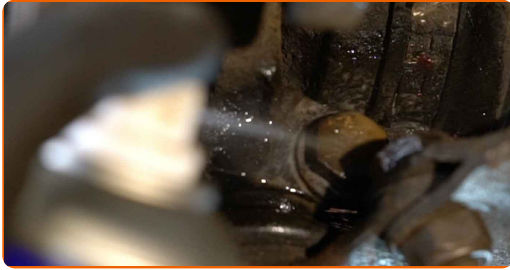


11 Loosen the CV axle in the wheel hub. Use a pin punch. Use a hammer.



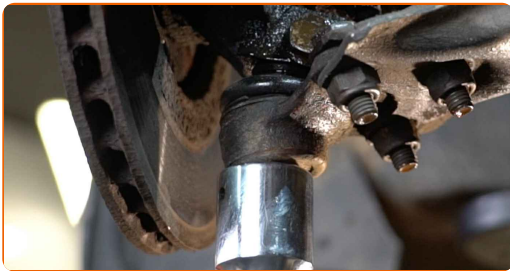
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Clean the fastener connecting the ball joint to the steering knuckle. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



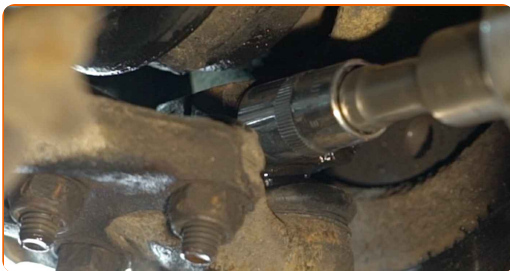
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Prop up the steering knuckle. Use a hydraulic transmission jack.



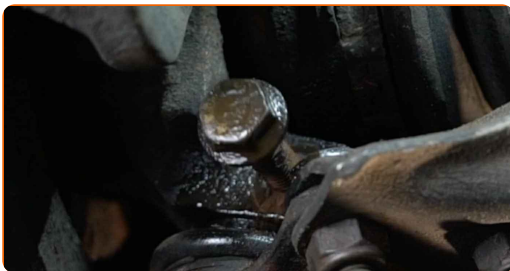
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Unscrew the fastener connecting the ball joint to the suspension control arm. Use a combination spanner #16. Use a drive socket #16. Use a ratchet wrench.



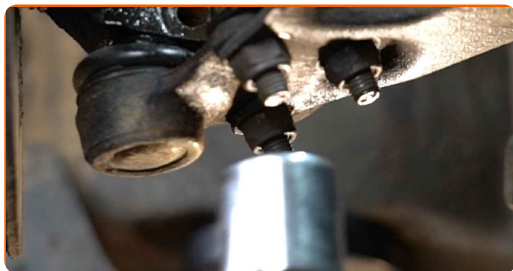
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Remove the fastening bolt.



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Remove the support from under the steering knuckle.

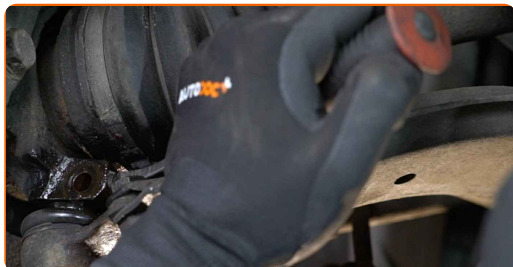


AUTODOC recommends:

- Replacement: front lower arm – CITROËN ZX Hatchback (N2). Lower the transmission jack smoothly, without jerks, to avoid damaging components and mechanisms.

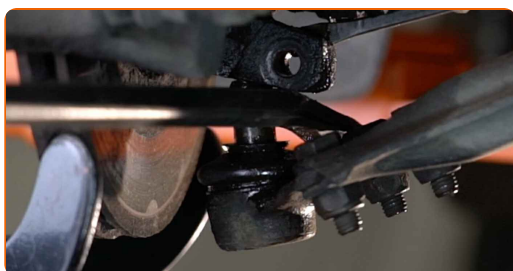
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Release the fastener that connects the control arm ball joint to the steering knuckle. Use a crowbar. Use a hammer.



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Disconnect the ball joint from the steering knuckle. Use a crowbar.



19 Detach the driveshaft from the steering knuckle.



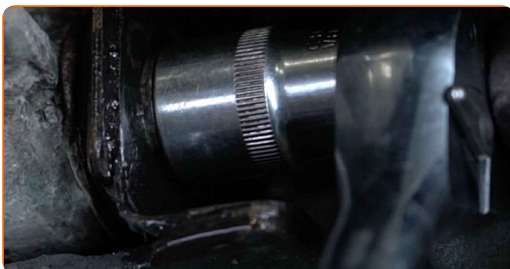
Replacement: front lower arm – CITROËN ZX Hatchback (N2). Professionals recommend:

- Make sure that the drive shaft is not unloaded (when the car is jacked).

20 Clean the fastener that connects the suspension arm to the subframe. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



21 Unscrew the front arm fastener. Use a drive socket #18. Use a ratchet wrench.



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Clean the fasteners connecting the control arm to the subframe. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



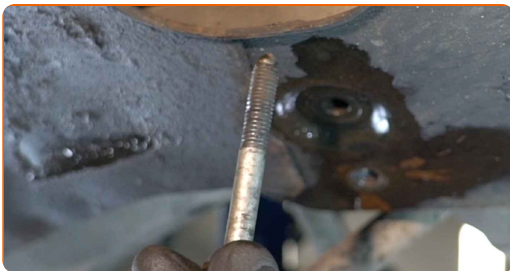
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Unscrew the rear fasteners of the suspension arm. Use a combination spanner #16. Use a drive socket #16. Use a drive socket #13. Use a ratchet wrench.



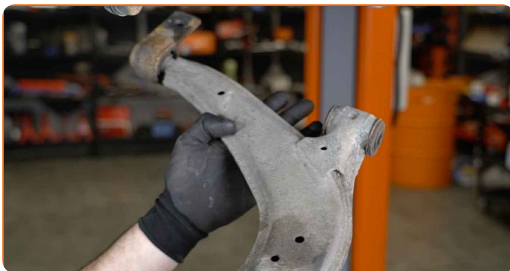
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Remove the fastening bolts.



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Remove the arm. Use a crowbar.



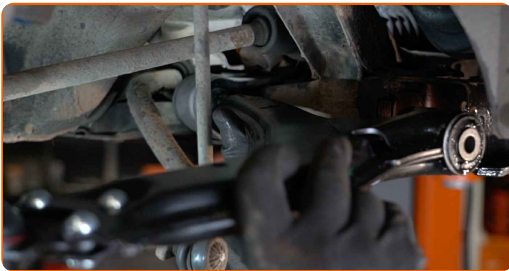
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Clean the suspension arm mounting seats. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



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Install a new arm.

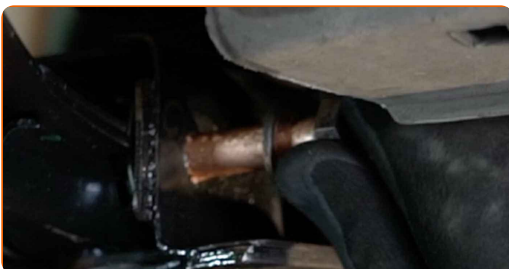


Replacement: front lower arm – CITROËN ZX Hatchback (N2). AUTODOC recommends:

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

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Install the fastening bolts.



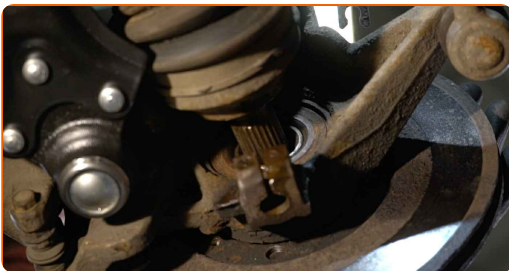
- 29 Screw in the fastening bolts. Use a combination spanner #16. Use a drive socket #13. Use a drive socket #16. Use a drive socket #18. Use a ratchet wrench.



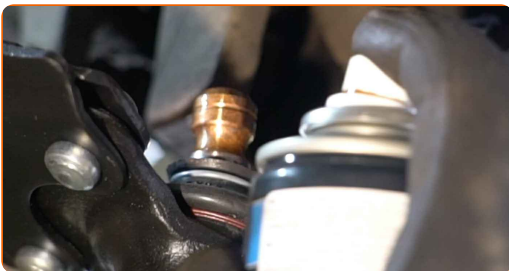
- 30 Clean the splines of the drive shaft CV joint. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



- 31 Install the steering knuckle on the CV axle.



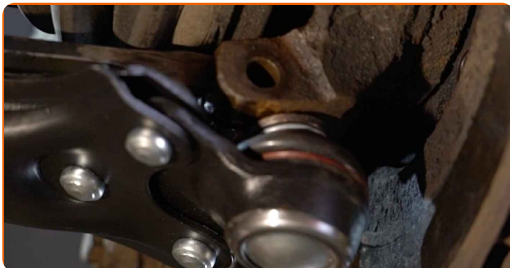
- 32 Treat the ball joint fastener. Use copper grease.



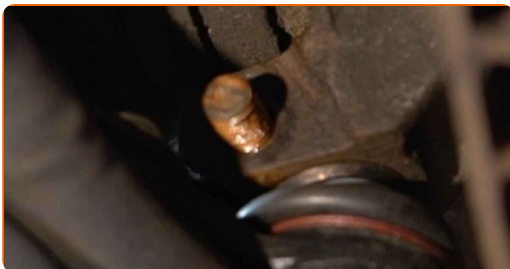
- 33** Release the fastener that connects the control arm ball joint to the steering knuckle. Use a flat metal-working chisel. Use a hammer.



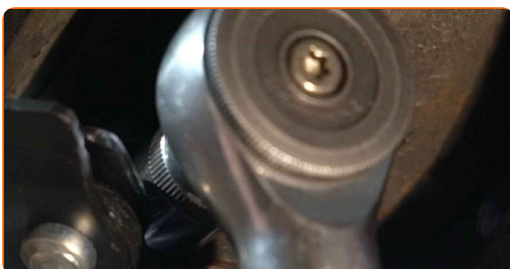
- 34** Connect the ball joint to the steering knuckle.



- 35** Install the fastening bolt.



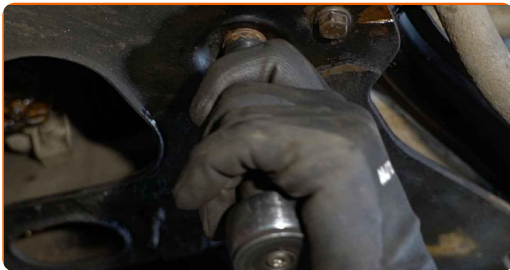
- 36** Tighten the fastener connecting the ball joint to the steering knuckle. Use a combination spanner #16. Use a drive socket #16. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 40 Nm torque.



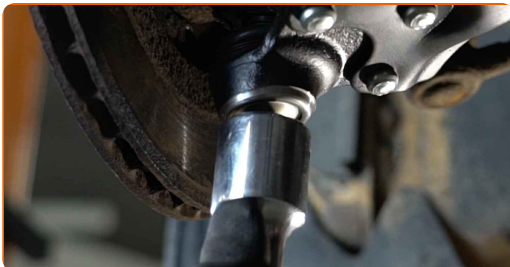
- 37** Tighten the rear fastener of the control arm. Use a drive socket #13. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 35 Nm torque.



- 38** Tighten the rear fastener of the control arm. Use a combination spanner #16. Use a drive socket #16. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 90 Nm torque.



- 39** Prop up the steering knuckle. Use a hydraulic transmission jack.



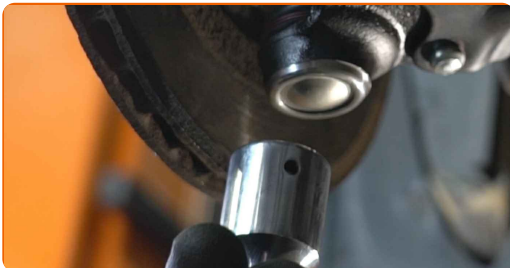
Replacement: front lower arm – CITROËN ZX Hatchback (N2). AUTODOC experts recommend:

- For tightening the fasteners correctly, you have to jack up the suspension components to their working position.

- 40 Tighten the front fastener connecting the control arm to the subframe. Use a drive socket #18. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 95 Nm torque.



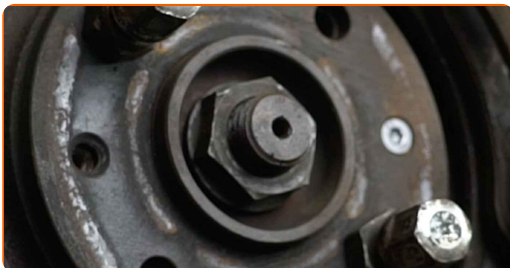
- 41 Remove the support from under the steering knuckle.



AUTODOC recommends:

- Lower the hydraulic transmission jack smoothly, without jerks, to avoid damaging assemblies and mechanisms.

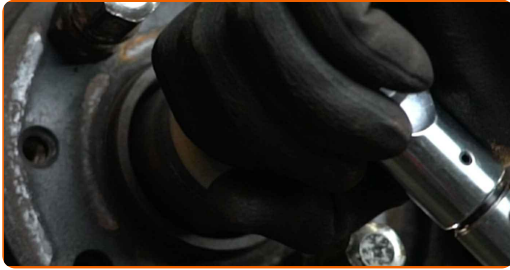
- 42 Install the fastening nut.



- 43 Screw the nut of the drive shaft.

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Tighten the drive shaft nut. Use a drive socket #36. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 320 Nm torque.



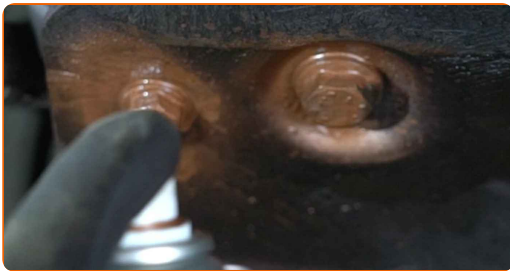
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Restake the fastener of the driveshaft. Use a flat metal-working chisel. Use a hammer.



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Treat all joints of the arm. 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 ceramic grease.



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Clean the brake disk surface. Use a brake cleaner.

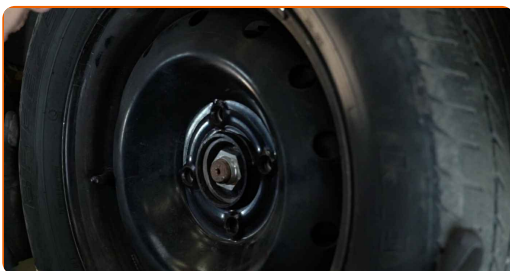


AUTODOC recommends:

- Replacement: front lower arm – CITROËN ZX Hatchback (N2). After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.

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Install the wheel.



AUTODOC recommends:

- Warning! To avoid injury, hold the wheel while screwing in the fastening bolts on the car. CITROËN ZX Hatchback (N2)

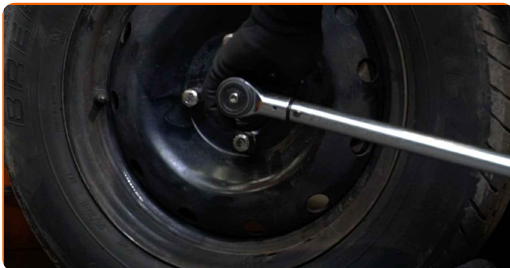
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Screw in the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #19.



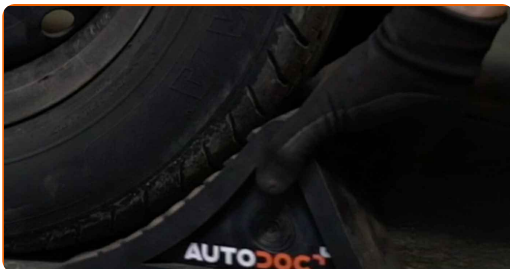
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Lower the car and working in a cross order, tighten the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #19. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 90 Nm torque.



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Remove the jacks and chocks.



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