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How to change front brake pads on **FIAT Idea** (350) – replacement guide



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(i) Important!

This replacement procedure can be used for: FIAT Idea (350) 1.3 D Multijet, FIAT Idea (350) 1.6 D Multijet

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 Bravo II Hatchback (198) 1.6 D Multijet



REPLACEMENT: BRAKE PADS – FIAT IDEA (350). TOOLS YOU MIGHT NEED:



- Wire brush
- WD-40 spray
- Brake cleaner
- Anti-squeal paste
- Copper grease
- Drive socket # 13

- Wheel impact socket #17
- Brake caliper wind back tool
- Ratchet wrench
- Torque wrench
- Crow bar
- Wheel chock

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Replacement: brake pads – FIAT Idea (350). Professionals recommend:

- Perform the replacement of brake pads in complete set for each axis. This provides effective braking.
- The replacement procedure is identical for all brake pads on the same axle.
- All work should be done with the engine stopped.

REPLACEMENT: BRAKE PADS – FIAT IDEA (350). TAKE THE FOLLOWING STEPS:



Open the bonnet. Unscrew the brake fluid reservoir cap.



Secure the wheels with chocks.



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



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Raise the front of the car and secure on supports.





Unscrew the wheel bolts.



Replacement: brake pads - FIAT Idea (350). Tip:

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



Remove the wheel.



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Disconnect the brake pad wear sensor plug.



Please note!

• Some cars are not equipped with the brake pad wear sensor.

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Spread the brake pads. Use a crowbar.



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Clean the brake caliper fasteners. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



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Unscrew the brake caliper fastening. Use a drive socket #13. Use a ratchet wrench.



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Remove the brake caliper.





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- Tie the caliper to the suspension or to the body with a wire without disconnecting from the brake hose to prevent depressurization of the brake system.
- Make sure that the brake caliper is not hanging on the brake hose.
- Don't press the brake pedal after the brake caliper has been removed. As a result, the piston can fall out from the brake cylinder, and brake fluid leakage and depressurization of the system may occur.



Remove the brake pads. Use a crowbar.



Replacement: brake pads - FIAT Idea (350). Tip from AUTODOC experts:

• Measure the brake disc thickness. Upon reaching the wear limit the part must be replaced.



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Clean the brake caliper bracket from dirt and dust. Use a wire brush. Use a brake cleaner.



AUTODOC recommends:

- Replacement: brake pads FIAT Idea (350). After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.
- Treat the brake pads in the area where their surface comes into contact with the brake caliper bracket. Use antisqueal paste.



Replacement: brake pads - FIAT Idea (350). Tip:

• Make sure the disc surface is clean before installing the pads.

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Install new brake pads.





Replacement: brake pads – FIAT Idea (350). AUTODOC experts recommend:

• Make sure the pads are installed with linings facing the disc.



Treat the brake caliper piston. Use a brake cleaner.



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Press in the brake caliper piston. Use brake caliper wind back tool.





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Install the brake caliper and fix it. Use a drive socket #13. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 30 Nm torque.



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Connect the brake pad wear sensor plug.



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Clean the brake disk surface. Use a brake cleaner.



Replacement: brake pads - FIAT Idea (350). AUTODOC recommends:

• After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.



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







Install the wheel.



AUTODOC recommends:

• Important! Hold the wheel while screwing in the fastening bolts. FIAT Idea (350)

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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 a torque wrench. Tighten it to 120 Nm torque.



Replacement: brake pads - FIAT Idea (350). AUTODOC experts recommend:

• Check the brake fluid level in the expansion tank and refill if necessary.





Tighten the brake fluid reservoir cap. Close the hood.

AUTODOC recommends:

• FIAT Idea (350) – Press the brake pedal several times with the engine shut down until you feel the resistance built up.

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Remove the jacks and chocks.



Replacement: brake pads - FIAT Idea (350). Tip from AUTODOC experts:

• Slow down smoothly for first 150-200 km after the brake pads replacement. Avoid unneccessary and sharp braking to a stop.



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