



How to change front  
brake pads on **FIAT**  
**Punto I Hatchback (176)**  
– 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:

FIAT Punto I Hatchback (176) 1.1 55, FIAT Punto I Hatchback (176) 1.2 60, FIAT Punto I Hatchback (176) 1.2 75, FIAT Punto I Hatchback (176) 1.7 TD, FIAT Punto I Hatchback (176) 1.7 D

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 Panda II Hatchback (169) 1.2

REPLACEMENT: BRAKE PADS – FIAT PUNTO I  
HATCHBACK (176). LIST OF THE TOOLS YOU'LL NEED:



- Wire brush
- Nylon cleaning brush
- WD-40 spray
- All-purpose cleaning spray
- Brake cleaner
- Anti-squeal paste
- Copper grease
- Torque wrench
- Wheel impact socket #17
- Brake caliper wind back tool
- Crow bar
- Pin punch
- Hammer
- Round-nose pliers
- Wheel chock

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Replacement: brake pads – FIAT Punto I Hatchback (176). AUTODOC experts 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.
- Please note: all work on the car – FIAT Punto I Hatchback (176) – should be done with the engine switched off.

## CARRY OUT REPLACEMENT IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

**1** Open the bonnet. Unscrew the brake fluid reservoir cap.

**2** Secure the wheels with chocks.



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



**4** Raise the front of the car and secure on supports.

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Unscrew the wheel bolts.



AUTODOC recommends:

- Warning! To avoid injury, hold the wheel while unscrewing the fastening bolts.  
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Remove the wheel.



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



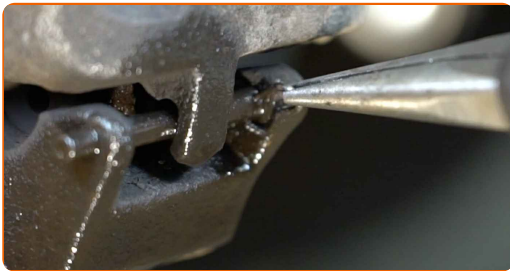
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Spread the brake pads. Use a crowbar.



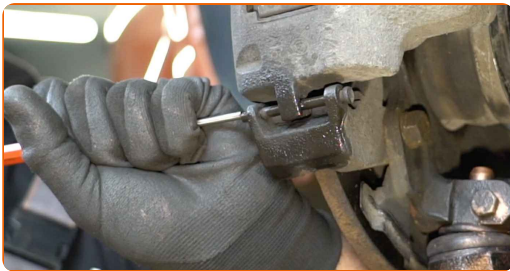
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Remove the lock pin retainer clip. Use round-nose pliers.



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Remove the brake caliper cotter pin. Use a pin punch. Use a hammer.



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Lift the caliper up.



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- 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.
- Check the brake caliper bracket, brake caliper guide pins and boots. Clean them. Replace, if necessary.

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Remove the brake pads.

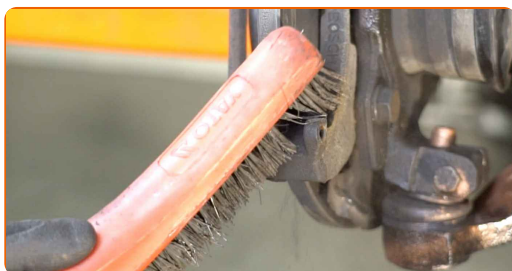


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- Measure the brake disc thickness. Upon reaching the wear limit the part must be replaced.

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Clean the brake caliper bracket from dirt and dust. Use a wire brush. Use all-purpose cleaning spray.



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Treat the brake caliper piston. Use a nylon cleaning brush. Use a brake cleaner.



**AUTODOC recommends:**

- Replacement: brake pads – FIAT Punto I Hatchback (176). After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.

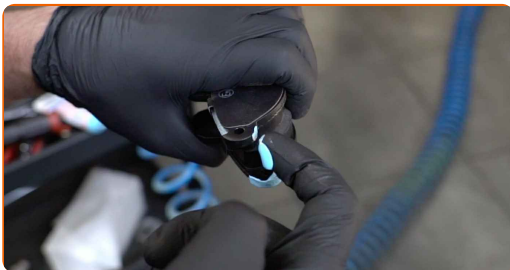
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Press in the brake caliper piston. Use brake caliper wind back tool.



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Treat the brake pads in the area where their surface comes into contact with the brake caliper bracket. Use anti-squeal paste.





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

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Install new brake pads.



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

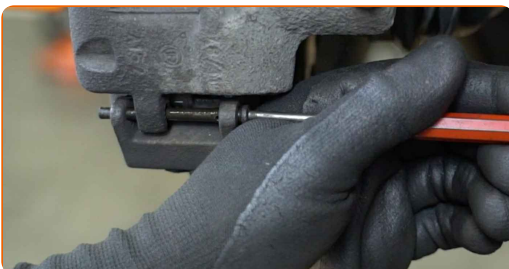
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Install the brake caliper and fix it.

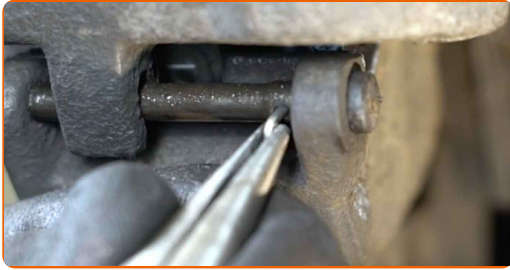


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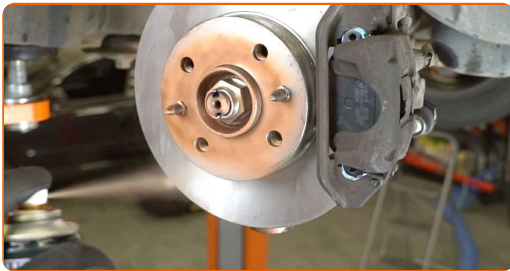
Install the brake caliper cotter pin. Use a pin punch. Use a hammer.



20 Install the lock pin retainer clip. Use round-nose pliers.



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



22 Clean the brake disk surface. Use a brake cleaner.



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23 Install the wheel.

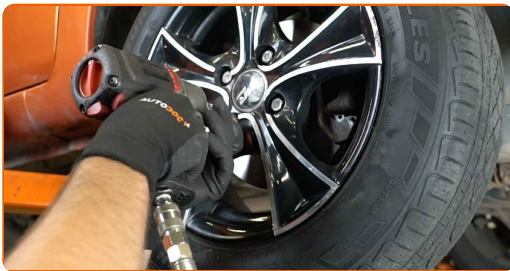


AUTODOC recommends:

- Important! Hold the wheel while screwing in the fastening bolts. FIAT Punto I Hatchback (176)

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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 98 Nm torque.



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Remove the jacks and chocks.



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

**27** Tighten the brake fluid reservoir cap.

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- Without starting the engine, press the brake pedal several times until you feel significant resistance.

**28** Close the hood.

Replacement: brake pads – FIAT Punto I Hatchback (176). Tip from AUTODOC:

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

**WELL DONE!** 

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