

# How to change front lower arm on FORD C-Max (DM2) – replacement guide





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# (i) Important!

This replacement procedure can be used for: FORD C-Max (DM2) 1.8, FORD C-Max (DM2) 2.0 TDCi, FORD C-Max (DM2) 1.6 TDCi, FORD C-Max (DM2) 1.6, FORD C-Max (DM2) 1.8 Flexifuel, FORD C-Max (DM2) 2.0, FORD C-Max (DM2) 1.8 TDCi, FORD C-Max (DM2) 2.0 CNG, FORD C-Max (DM2) 2.0 LPG

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: FORD Focus Mk2 Estate (DA\_, FFS, DS) 1.4





## REPLACEMENT: FRONT LOWER ARM – FORD C-MAX (DM2). TOOLS YOU MIGHT NEED:



- Wire brush
- WD-40 spray
- Copper grease
- Drive socket # 15
- Drive socket # 18
- Combination spanner #22
- Wheel impact socket #19

- Ratchet wrench
- Torque wrench
- Ball joint puller
- Crow bar
- Hydraulic transmission jack
- Wheel chock

**Buy tools** 





### Replacement: front lower arm - FORD C-Max (DM2). AUTODOC recommends:

- The replacement procedure is identical for the left and right lower control arms.
- Replacement of the independent suspension lower arm in some cars requires a part of the outlet piping of the additional heater to be removed.
- Please note: all work on the car FORD C-Max (DM2) should be done with the engine switched off.

# CARRY OUT REPLACEMENT IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:



Secure the wheels with chocks.





Loosen the wheel mounting bolts. Use wheel impact socket #19.



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Raise the front of the car and secure on supports.





Unscrew the wheel bolts.



# Replacement: front lower arm – FORD C-Max (DM2). Tip:

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



Remove the wheel.





Remove the lower sound insulation.

### Please note!

• Some cars are not equipped with the lower sound insulation.





Clean all joints of the arm. Use a wire brush. Treat all joints of the arm. Use WD-40 spray.



## AUTODOC recommends:

- Replacement: front lower arm FORD C-Max (DM2). After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.
- Wear protective goggles.

Unscrew the ball joint fastening nut. Use a combination spanner #22.



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Unscrew the fastening nut, remove the control arm from the steering knuckle, using a ball joint puller.







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



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Remove the front fastener of the control arm. Use a crowbar. Use a hammer.



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Unscrew the rear arm fastener. Use a drive socket #15. Use a ratchet wrench.



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Remove the rear fastener of the control arm.







Remove the arm. Use a crowbar.



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



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#### Install a new arm.



# Replacement: front lower arm – FORD C-Max (DM2). AUTODOC experts recommend:

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





Install the front fastener of the arm. Do not tighten it.



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Connect the ball joint to the steering knuckle.



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Support the arm. Use a hydraulic transmission jack.



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Install the fastening nut of the ball joint.



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Install the rear fastener of the arm.





Screw the rear arm fastener. Use a drive socket #15. Use a ratchet wrench.



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Screw the front arm fastener. Use a drive socket #18. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 175 nm torque.



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Tighten the rear fastener connecting the arm to the body subframe. Use a drive socket #15. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 115 nm torque.



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Tighten the ball joint fastening nut. Use a combination spanner #22. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 70 nm torque.







Remove the support from under the arm.



## AUTODOC recommends:

• Replacement: front lower arm – FORD C-Max (DM2). Lower the transmission jack smoothly, without jerks, to avoid damaging components and mechanisms.

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Clean the wheel rim mounting seat. Use a wire brush. Treat the contacting surface. Use copper grease.



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Install the wheel.







# Replacement: front lower arm – FORD C-Max (DM2). Tip from AUTODOC experts:

• To avoid injury, hold up the wheel when screwing in the fastening bolts.

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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 a torque wrench. Tighten it to 110 nm torque.



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Remove the jacks and chocks.





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