



How to change rear  
brake discs on **Mercedes**  
**ML W163** – replacement  
guide

## VIDEO TUTORIAL



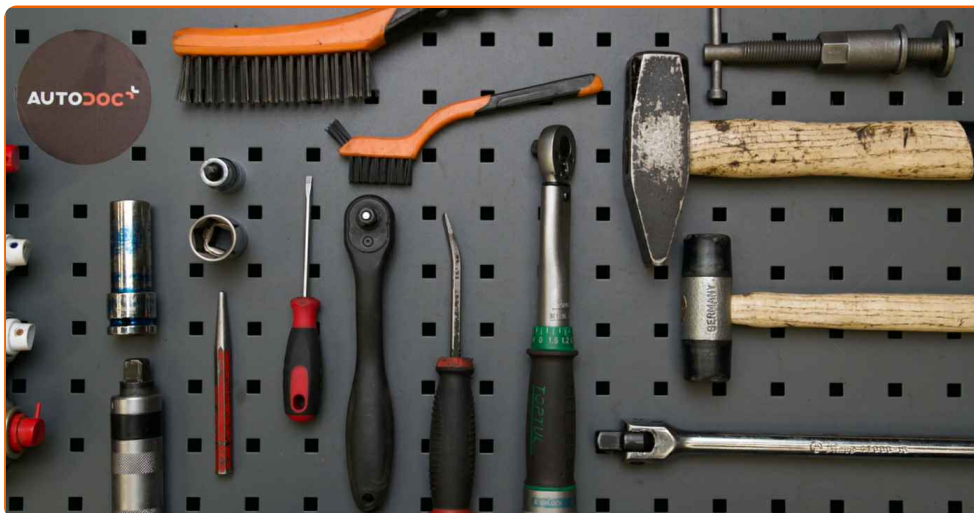
### Important!

This replacement procedure can be used for:

MERCEDES-BENZ M-Class (W163) ML 320 (163.154), MERCEDES-BENZ M-Class (W163) ML 430 (163.172), MERCEDES-BENZ M-Class (W163) ML 55 AMG (163.174), MERCEDES-BENZ M-Class (W163) ML 400 CDI (163.128), MERCEDES-BENZ M-Class (W163) ML 500 (163.175), MERCEDES-BENZ M-Class (W163) ML 350 (163.157), MERCEDES-BENZ M-Class (W163) ML 350

The steps may slightly vary depending on the car design.

**REPLACEMENT: BRAKE DISCS – MERCEDES ML W163.  
TOOLS YOU MIGHT NEED:**



- Wire brush
- Nylon cleaning brush
- WD-40 spray
- Brake cleaner
- All-purpose cleaning spray
- Copper grease
- Torque wrench
- Drive socket # 22
- HEX bit No.H5
- Wheel impact socket #17
- Ratchet wrench
- Flat Screwdriver
- Pin punch
- Hammer
- Tap wrench
- Rubber mallet
- Impact screwdriver
- Brake caliper wind back tool
- Crow bar
- Wheel chock

**BUY TOOLS**

**AUTODOC recommends:**

- Replace the brake disks on the car Mercedes ML W163 in complete set for each axis. Regardless of the state of components. This will ensure even braking.
- The replacement procedure is identical for both brake disks on the same axle.
- When changing the brake discs, always replace the brake pads.
- Please note: all work on the car – Mercedes ML W163 – should be done with the engine switched off.

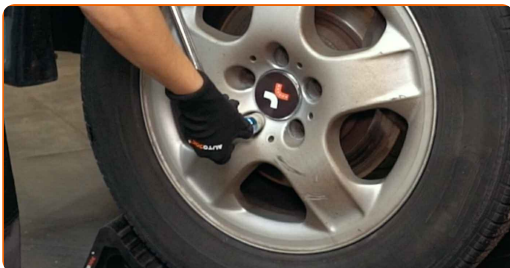
**CARRY OUT REPLACEMENT IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:**

**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.



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Raise the rear 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.  
Mercedes ML W163

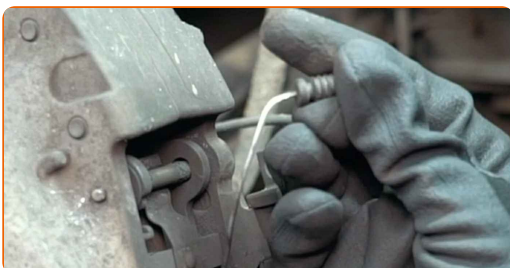
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Remove the wheel.



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Detach the connector of the brake pad wear sensor.



Please note!

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

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Clean the brake caliper surface. Use a wire brush. Use a brake cleaner.



AUTODOC recommends:

- Replacement: brake discs – Mercedes ML W163. After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.

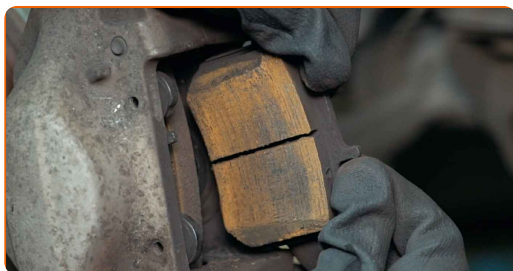
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Remove the brake pads retaining clips. Use a pin punch. Use a hammer. Use a crowbar.

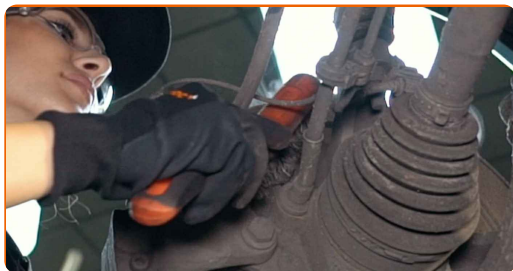


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Remove the brake pads. Use a crowbar.



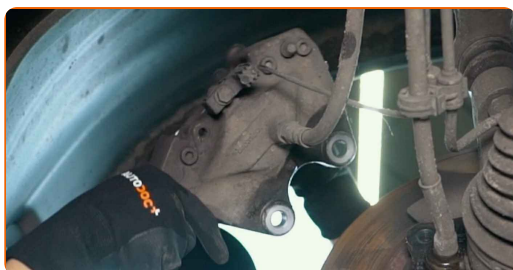
**11** Clean the brake caliper bracket fasteners. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



**12** Unscrew the caliper bracket fastening. Use a drive socket #22. Use a ratchet wrench. Use a tap wrench.



**13** Remove the brake caliper together with its bracket.

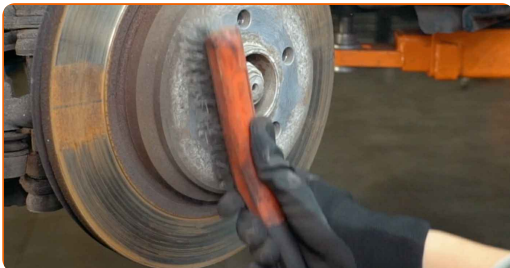


Replacement: brake discs – Mercedes ML W163. Professionals recommend:

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

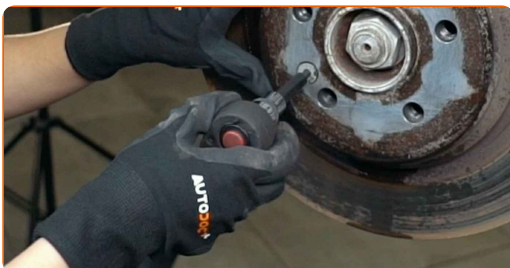
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Clean the brake disc fastener. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



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Unscrew the brake disc fastening. Use HEX No.H5. Use an impact screwdriver.

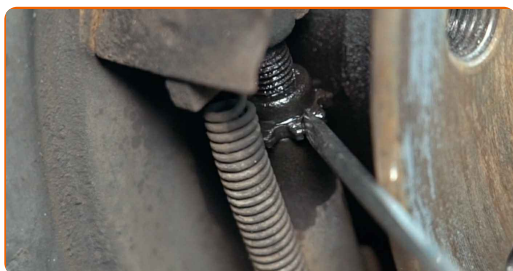




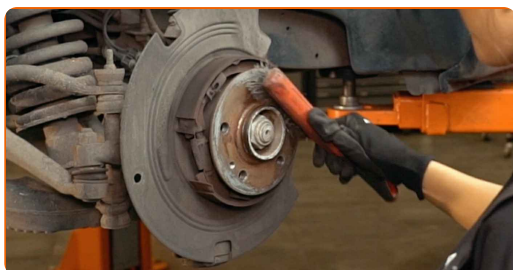
**16** Remove the brake disc. Use a rubber mallet.



**17** Move the parking brake shoes against the drum. Use a flat screwdriver.



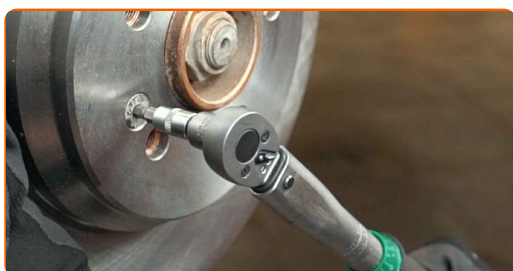
**18** Clean the hub. Use a wire brush. Use all-purpose cleaning spray. Treat the contacting surface. Use copper grease.



**19** Install the brake disc.



**20** Tighten the brake disc fastening. Use HEX No.H5. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 8 Nm torque.



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

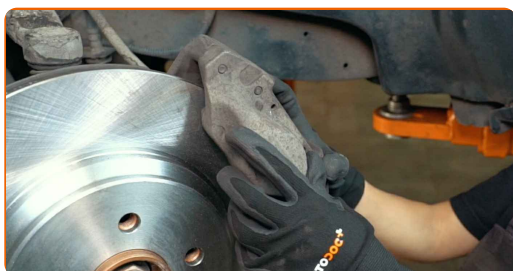


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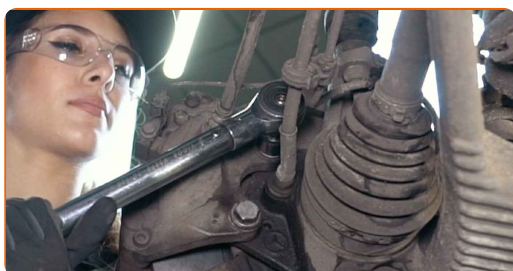
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Install the brake caliper together with its bracket.



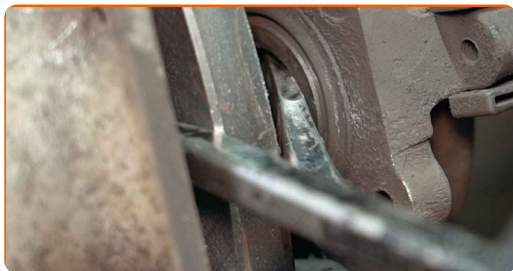
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Tighten the brake caliper bracket. Use a drive socket #22. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 115 Nm torque.



**24**

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

**25**

Install the brake pads.

**26**

Install the brake pads retaining clips. Use a pin punch. Use a rubber mallet.

**27**

Attach the connector of the brake pad wear sensor.



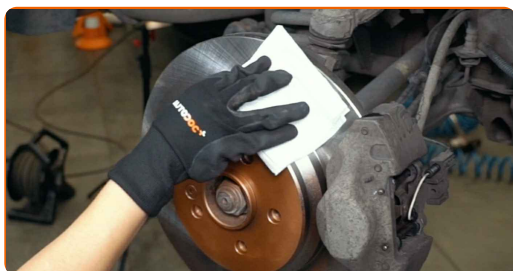
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Treat the surface where the brake disc contacts the wheel rim. Use copper grease.



29

Clean the brake disk surface. Use a brake cleaner.



Replacement: brake discs – Mercedes ML W163. AUTODOC experts recommend:

- 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. Mercedes ML W163

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



**32** 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 150 Nm torque.



**33** Remove the jacks and chocks.

**Replacement: brake discs – Mercedes ML W163. Tip:**

- Without starting the engine, press the brake pedal several times until you feel significant resistance.
- Check the brake fluid level in the expansion tank and refill if necessary.

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Tighten the brake fluid reservoir cap. Close the hood.



**WELL DONE!** 

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