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How to change glow plugs on MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (\$203) – replacement guide







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

(i) Important!

This replacement procedure can be used for: MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S203) C 270 CDI (203.216)

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: MERCEDES-BENZ E-Class Saloon (W210) E 270 CDI (210.016)

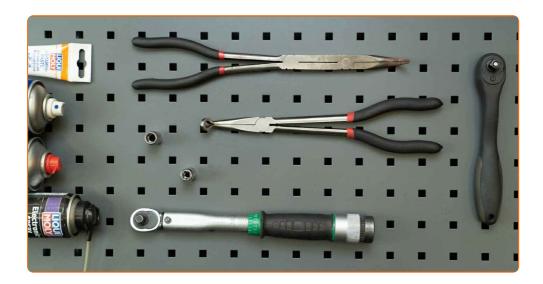
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REPLACEMENT: GLOW PLUGS – MERCEDES-BENZ C-CLASS T-MODELL (S203). TOOLS YOU NEED:



- WD-40 spray
- All-purpose cleaning spray
- Dielectric grease
- High-temperature ceramic grease
- Torque wrench

- Spark plug socket # 10
- Drive socket # E11
- Ratchet wrench
- Needle nose pliers
- Fender cover

Buy tools

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Replacement: glow plugs – MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S203). Tip from AUTODOC:

- The replacement procedure is identical for all glow plugs.
- Wear gloves to protect your hands from hot surfaces.
- Warning! Shut down the engine before starting any work MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S203).

CARRY OUT REPLACEMENT IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

- Open the bonnet.
- Use a fender protection cover to prevent damaging paintwork and plastic parts of the car.
- Clean dirt, dust and debris from inside the spark plug wells.



Treat the glow plugs. Use WD-40 spray.



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If the glow plugs are difficult to unscrew, start the engine and let it warm up to operating temperature. This will make them easier to remove.



Replacement: glow plugs - MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S203). Tip:

- Wear gloves to protect your hands from hot surfaces.
- Shut off the engine.
- Unscrew the fuel hose fastener. Use a drive socket #E11. Use a ratchet wrench.



Disconnect the fuel return line hose.



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9 Blank off the fuel return line.



Detach the glow plug wiring connectors. Use needle nose pliers.



Clean dirt, dust and debris from inside the spark plug wells.



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Unscrew the glow plugs. Use the spark plug socket #10. Use a torque wrench.



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Replacement: glow plugs – MERCEDES-BENZ C-Class T-modell (S203). AUTODOC recommends:

- The glow plugs can get stuck over time and break apart when removed.
- Use a torque wrench to loosen the parts to avoid exceeding the breakaway torque specified by the car manufacturer.
- If you have reached the breakaway torque but the glow plugs still won't unscrew, you need to consult a professional: breakage of the parts can result in costly engine repairs.
- Remove the glow plugs. Use needle nose pliers.



Treat the glow plugs. Use high-temperature ceramic grease.



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Install new glow plugs to their mounting seats. Use needle nose pliers.



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Tighten the glow plugs. Use the spark plug socket #10. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 20 nm torque.



AUTODOC recommends:

- Don't tighten the plugs with excessive force. Exceeding tightening torque can damage the thread connection.
- Treat the glow plug connectors. Use dielectric grease.



Attach the glow plug wiring connectors. Use needle nose pliers.



Clean the fuel return line. Use all-purpose cleaning spray.



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20 Unstop the fuel return line.



Connect the fuel return line hose.



Tighten the fuel hose fastener. Use a drive socket #E11. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 8 nm torque.



- Run the engine for a few minutes. This is necessary in order to make sure that the component operates properly.
- 24 Shut off the engine.
- Remove the fender protection cover.

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Close the hood.



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