



How to change rear  
brake discs on  
**MERCEDES-BENZ CLS**  
**Shooting Brake (X218)** –  
replacement guide

## SIMILAR VIDEO TUTORIAL



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

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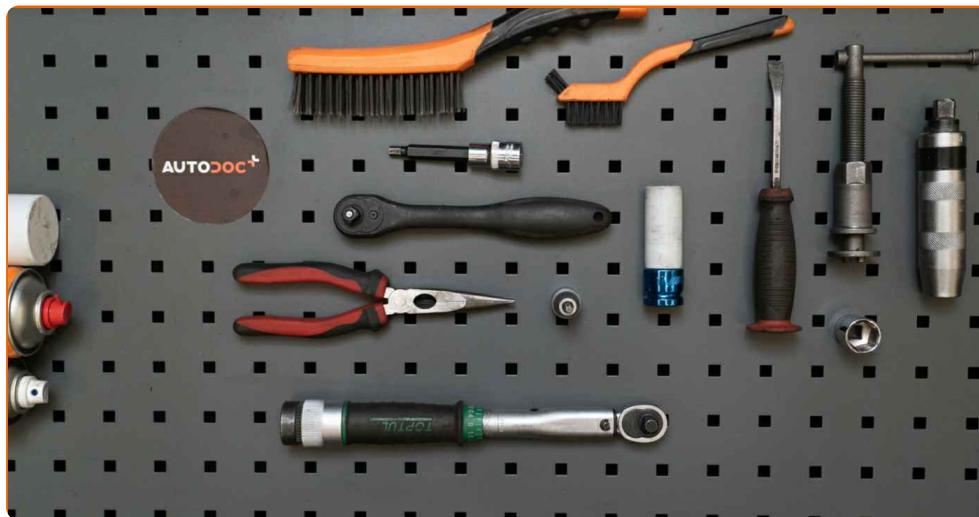
This replacement procedure can be used for:

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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 (W211) E 270 CDI (211.016)

## REPLACEMENT: BRAKE DISCS – MERCEDES-BENZ CLS SHOOTING BRAKE (X218). TOOLS YOU MIGHT NEED:



- Wire brush
- Nylon cleaning brush
- WD-40 spray
- Brake cleaner
- Copper grease
- Torque wrench
- Drive socket # 19
- HEX bit No.H7
- Torx bit T30
- Wheel impact socket #17
- Brake caliper wind back tool
- Ratchet wrench
- Tap wrench
- Impact screwdriver
- Round-nose pliers
- Crow bar
- Wheel chock

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Replacement: brake discs – MERCEDES-BENZ CLS Shooting Brake (X218). Tip from AUTODOC experts:

- Replace the brake disks on the car MERCEDES-BENZ CLS Shooting Brake (X218) 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-BENZ CLS Shooting Brake (X218) – should be done with the engine switched off.

## CARRY OUT REPLACEMENT IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

**1** Open the bonnet.

**2** Connect the service equipment and switch the SBC system to service mode.

### Please note!

- Some vehicles may not have the SBC system.

**3**

Unscrew the brake fluid reservoir cap.

**4**

Secure the wheels with chocks.

**5**

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

**6**

Raise the rear of the car and secure on supports.

**7**

Unscrew the wheel bolts.



#### AUTODOC recommends:

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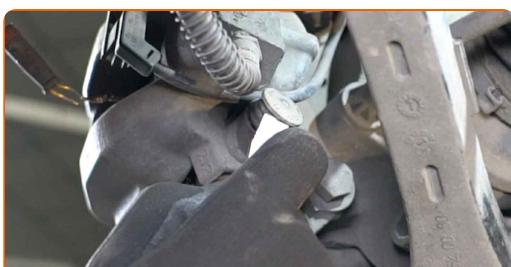
Remove the wheel.

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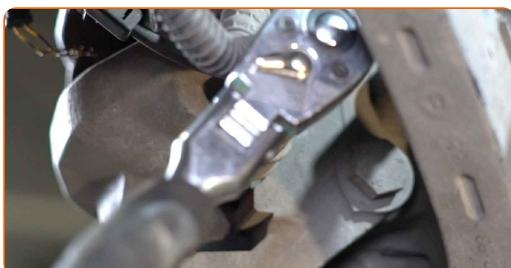
Detach the connector of the brake pad wear sensor. Use round-nose pliers.

**10**

Remove the dust boot caps of the brake caliper guide pins. Use a crowbar.

**11**

Unscrew the brake caliper fastening. Use HEX No.H7. Use a ratchet wrench.



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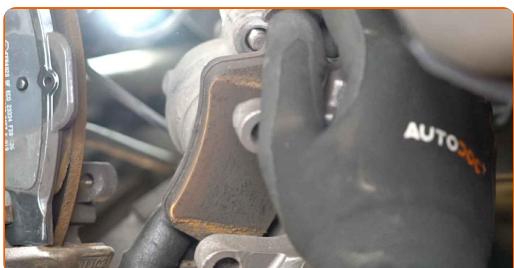
Detach the brake caliper retaining spring. Use a crowbar.

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Spread the brake pads. Use a crowbar.

**14**

Remove the brake caliper.



## Replacement: brake discs – MERCEDES-BENZ CLS Shooting Brake (X218). Tip from AUTODOC:

- 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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Remove the brake pads.



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Disconnect the brake pads wear sensor.

17

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



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Install the brake caliper wind back tool.



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



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Unscrew the caliper bracket fastening. Use a drive socket #19. Use a tap wrench. Use a ratchet wrench.



21

Remove the caliper bracket.



**22**

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

**23**

Unscrew the brake disc fastening. Use Torx T30. Use an impact screwdriver.

**24**

Remove the brake disc.

**25**

Clean the hub. Use a wire brush. Treat the contacting surface. Use copper grease.



26

Install the brake disc.



27

Tighten the brake disc fastening. Use Torx T30. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 8 Nm torque.



28

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



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Install the brake caliper bracket.



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Tighten the brake caliper bracket. Use a drive socket #19. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 115 Nm torque.



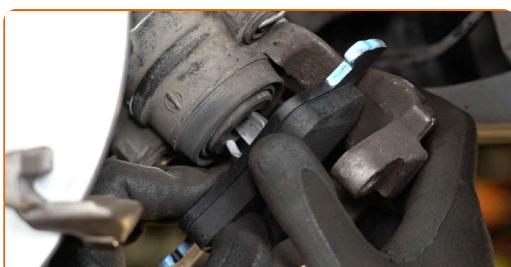
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Press in the brake caliper piston. Use brake caliper wind back tool.



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Install the brake pads.



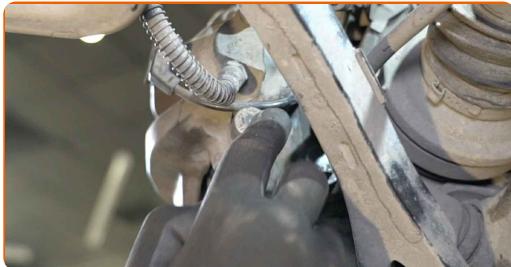
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Install the brake caliper and fix it. Use HEX No.H7. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 28 Nm torque.



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Install the dust boot caps of the brake caliper guide pins.

**35**

Install the brake caliper retaining spring.

**36**

Connect the brake pads wear sensor.

**37**

Attach the connector of the brake pad wear sensor.

**38**

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



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Clean the brake disk surface. Use a brake cleaner.



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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-BENZ CLS Shooting Brake (X218)

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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 130 Nm torque.

**43**

Remove the jacks and chocks.

**44**

Switch the SBC system to operating mode and disconnect the service equipment.

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AUTODOC recommends:

- 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.



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AUTODOC experts recommend:

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

**WELL DONE!** 

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