



How to change track rod  
end on **MERCEDES-  
BENZ E-Class T-modell  
(S211)** – 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:

MERCEDES-BENZ E-Class T-modell (S211) E 220 T CDI, MERCEDES-BENZ E-Class T-modell (S211) E 240 T (211.261), MERCEDES-BENZ E-Class T-modell (S211) E 320 T (211.265), MERCEDES-BENZ E-Class T-modell (S211) E 200 T Kompressor (211.242), MERCEDES-BENZ E-Class T-modell (S211) E 220 T CDI (211.206, 211.606), MERCEDES-BENZ E-Class T-modell (S211) E 270 T CDI (211.216), MERCEDES-BENZ E-Class T-modell (S211) E 320 T CDI (211.226), MERCEDES-BENZ E-Class T-modell (S211) E 55 T AMG Kompressor (211.276), MERCEDES-BENZ E-Class T-modell (S211) E 500 T (211.270), MERCEDES-BENZ E-Class T-modell (S211) E 280 T CDI (211.223), MERCEDES-BENZ E-Class T-modell (S211) E 320 T CDI (211.222), MERCEDES-BENZ E-Class T-modell (S211) E 280 T CDI (211.220), MERCEDES-BENZ E-Class T-modell (S211) E 280 T (211.254), MERCEDES-BENZ E-Class T-modell (S211) E 350 T (211.256), MERCEDES-BENZ E-Class T-modell (S211) E 220 T CDI (211.208), (+ 7)

The steps may slightly vary depending on the car design.

Please note that this tutorial was created based on the replacement procedure for this car part on a car with a similar 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: TRACK ROD END – MERCEDES-BENZ E-CLASS T-MODELL (S211). TOOLS YOU'LL NEED:



- Wire brush
- WD-40 spray
- Brake cleaner
- Copper grease
- Torque wrench
- Combination spanner #14
- Combination spanner #21
- Combination spanner #22
- Drive socket # 21
- Wheel impact socket #17
- Tap wrench
- Vernier caliper
- Ball joint puller
- Crow bar
- Wheel chock

**Buy tools**

Replacement: track rod end – MERCEDES-BENZ E-Class T-modell (S211). Tip from AUTODOC:

- Replace tie rod ends in pairs.
- The replacement procedure is identical for the right and left tie rod ends.
- All work should be done with the engine stopped.

**REPLACEMENT: TRACK ROD END – MERCEDES-BENZ E-CLASS T-MODELL (S211). TAKE THE FOLLOWING STEPS:**

**1** Secure the wheels with chocks.

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



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

**4** Unscrew the wheel bolts.



AUTODOC recommends:

- Warning! To avoid injury, hold the wheel while unscrewing the fastening bolts.  
MERCEDES-BENZ E-Class T-modell (S211)

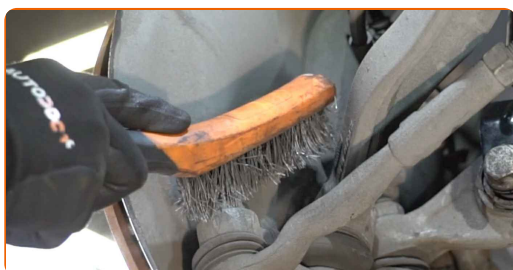
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Remove the wheel.



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Clean the fastener connecting the tie rod end to the steering knuckle. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.

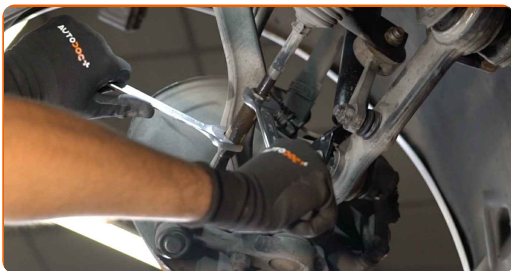


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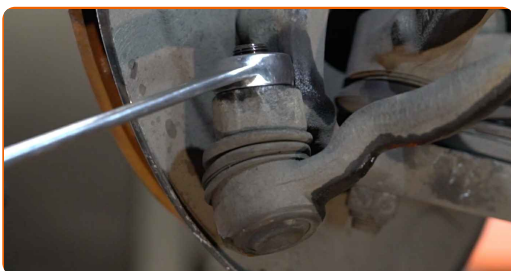
When deinstalling, mark or measure the precise position of the ball joint on the track rod, or count the number of turns in order to prevent misalignment afterward. Use a vernier caliper.



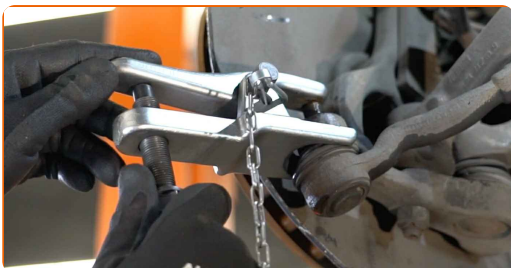
**8** Loosen the lock nut securing the tie rod end to the tie rod. Use a combination spanner #21 (2 pieces).



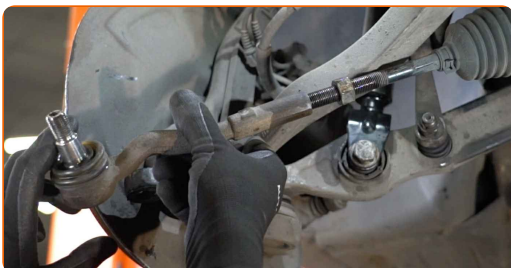
**9** Unscrew the end fastening nut to the steering knuckle. Use a drive socket #21. Use a tap wrench.



**10** Disconnect the tie rod end from the steering knuckle. Use a ball joint puller. Use a crowbar.



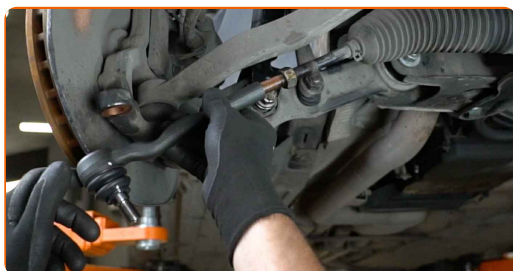
**11** Screw the end out of the tie rod.



**12** Clean the mounting seats of the tie rod end. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



**13** Screw on a new tie rod end. Use a combination spanner #14.



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Professionals recommend:

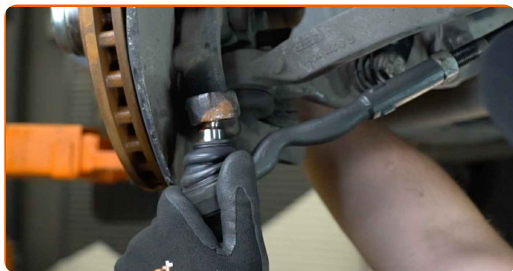
- While installing the steering rod end remember to make the same number of turns or to leave the same length of thread showing as per your measurements.

**14** When deinstalling, mark or measure the precise position of the ball joint on the track rod, or count the number of turns in order to prevent misalignment afterward. Use a vernier caliper.

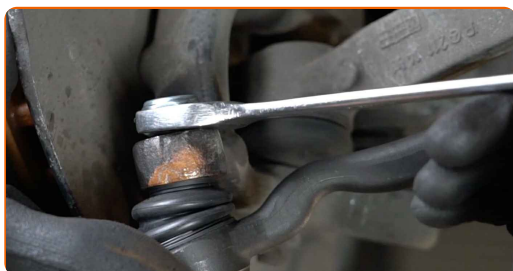




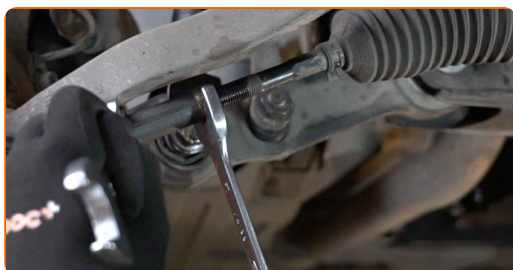
**15** Connect the tie rod end to the steering knuckle.



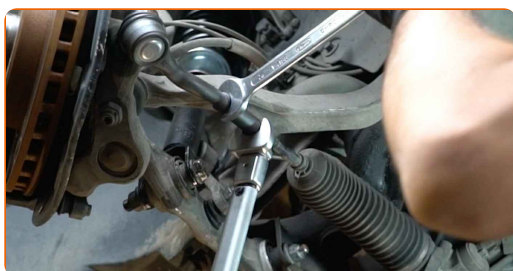
**16** Screw on the fastening nut that connects the tie rod end to the steering knuckle. Use a combination spanner #22.



**17** Screw on the tie rod end jam nut. Use a combination spanner #21 (2 pieces).



**18** Tighten the tie rod end locknut. Use a combination spanner #21 (2 pieces). Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 60 nm torque.



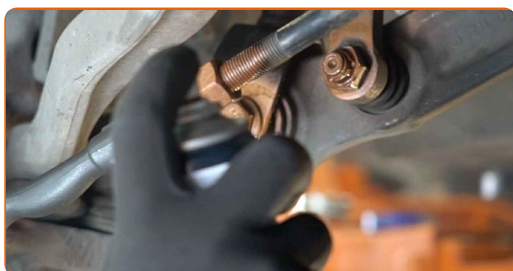
- 19** Tighten the fastening nut connecting the tie rod end to the steering knuckle. Use a combination spanner #22. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 50 Nm torque.+90°



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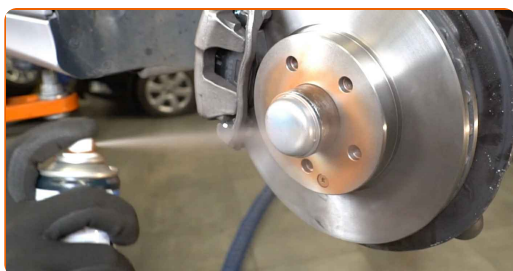
- Important! Be sure to use new fasteners.

- 20** Treat the fastener connecting the tie rod end to the steering knuckle. Use copper grease.



- 21** Clean the wheel rim mounting seat. Use a wire brush.

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



**23**

Clean the brake disk surface. Use a brake cleaner.



**AUTODOC recommends:**

- Replacement: track rod end – MERCEDES-BENZ E-Class T-modell (S211). After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.

**24**

Install the wheel.

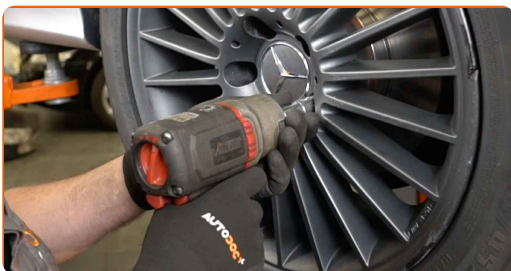


**AUTODOC recommends:**

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

**25**

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



- 26** 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.



Replacement: track rod end – MERCEDES-BENZ E-Class T-modell (S211).  
AUTODOC experts recommend:

- Check and adjust wheel alignment if necessary.

- 27** Remove the jacks and chocks.



**WELL DONE!** 

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