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How to change fuel filter on a car – replacement tutorial



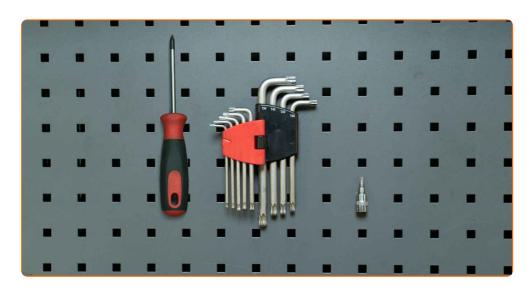




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REQUIRED TOOLS:



- Phillips screwdriver
- Torx wrench

Torx bit

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The main reasons for replacing the fuel filter:

- the engine running rough
- difficulty starting the engine
- engine power loss
- The fuel filter location depends on the car design and the engine type



The fuel filter can be found: on the underside of the car (near the fuel tank or closer to the engine)



In the engine compartment near the engine

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4 On the engine



5 Inside the fuel tank

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If the fuel filter is located in the tank, a cover is provided under the rear seat or in the luggage compartment floor for easy access to it



In some cases, it might be necessary to remove the fuel tank



An in-tank fuel filter can form a single unit with the pump and fuel level sensor. Often all these components are changed together as an assembly



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Caution!

- Observe all safety precautions while working: fuel is highly flammable
- Avoid sparks
- Prevent dirt from entering the system

Clean the working area

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Fuel filter hoses are usually fastened with quick connectors



They can be detached simply by unclipping them



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In some cars, the fuel hoses are secured with clamps



Please note:

- The system is open while the work is being carried out
- This means that you will need to perform additional steps to remove air from the fuel system
- To prime the fuel system of a petrol car, turn on the ignition and try to start the engine several times



The fuel pump will fill the system with fuel, and the engine will start



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Please note!

• The engine will not start at the first attempt

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To prime the fuel system of a diesel car, special equipment is required



16 A built-in primer pump



An electric pump that is activated when the ignition is switched on or by means of additional equipment



18 A fuel primer bulb



These devices force feed fuel to the system



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20 Prime the system until it is completely free of air



Unscrew all fasteners of the fuel filter cover



Prepare a container for the used filter



Carefully pry off the fuel filter cover using a suitable tool



Remove the cover and extract the filter element



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Important!

• While working, take care to not cause any sparks: fuel is highly flammable





Clean the housing and reinstall it



Remove the old O-rings from the filter cover



Clean their mounting seats



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29 Install new O-rings



30 Install a new fuel filter



AUTODOC recommends:

- Check that all elements are installed correctly
- Tighten the fasteners one after another in a criss-cross pattern



Use a torque wrench and apply the manufacturer's recommended torque



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Prime the system in the way that is best for your car



Make sure there are no fuel leaks in the connection areas and start the engine



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