



How to change manual
gearbox oil on **OPEL**
Vectra B Estate (J96) –
replacement guide

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

Important!

This replacement procedure can be used for:

OPEL Vectra B Estate (J96) 1.6 i (X 16 SZR), OPEL Vectra B Estate (J96) 1.6 i 16V (F35), OPEL Vectra B Estate (J96) 1.8 i 16V (X18XE1, Z18XEL), OPEL Vectra B Estate (J96) 2.0 i 16V (F35), OPEL Vectra B Estate (J96) 2.5 i V6 (F35), OPEL Vectra B Estate (J96) 2.0 DI 16V (F35), OPEL Vectra B Estate (J96) 2.0 DTI 16V (F35), OPEL Vectra B Estate (J96) i 500 2.5 (F35), OPEL Vectra B Estate (J96) 1.8 i 16V (F35), OPEL Vectra B Estate (J96) 2.2 DTI 16V (F35), OPEL Vectra B Estate (J96) 2.2 i 16V (F35), OPEL Vectra B Estate (J96) 2.6 i V6 (F35), OPEL Vectra B Estate (J96) 1.6 i (16 LZ2), OPEL Vectra B Estate (J96) 2.0 i (F35)

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: OPEL Astra G CC (T98) 1.2 16V (F08, F48)

REPLACEMENT: MANUAL GEARBOX OIL – OPEL
VECTRA B ESTATE (J96). TOOLS YOU'LL NEED:



- Wire brush
- All-purpose cleaning spray
- Cleaner&thinner
- Sealant
- Drive socket # 11
- Drive socket # 12
- Drive socket # 16
- Ratchet wrench
- Torque wrench
- Seal scraper
- Funnel
- Oil drain pan
- Hydraulic transmission jack
- Fender cover

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Replacement: manual gearbox oil – OPEL Vectra B Estate (J96). AUTODOC experts recommend:

- All work should be done with the engine stopped.

REPLACEMENT: MANUAL GEARBOX OIL – OPEL VECTRA B ESTATE (J96). TAKE THE FOLLOWING STEPS:

1 Open the hood.

2 Use a fender protection cover to prevent damaging paintwork and plastic parts of the car.

3 Lift the car using a jack or place it over an inspection pit.

4 Support the engine skid plate. Use a hydraulic transmission jack.



5 Undo the fasteners of the oil pan lower cover. Use a drive socket #12.



Replacement: manual gearbox oil – OPEL Vectra B Estate (J96). AUTODOC recommends:

- To avoid injury, hold the engine skid plate cautiously tight when unscrewing the fasteners and when lowering the hydraulic transmission jack.

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Remove the hydraulic transmission jack. Remove the oil pan cover.



AUTODOC recommends:

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Clean the transmission fluid pan. Use a wire brush. Use all-purpose cleaning spray.



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Prepare a waste oil container with at least 2 l capacity.



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Unscrew the fasteners of the transmission fluid pan. Use a drive socket #11. Use a ratchet wrench.



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Remove the transmission fluid pan.



Replacement: manual gearbox oil – OPEL Vectra B Estate (J96). Tip:

- When removing the transmission fluid pan, incline it so that the fluid only comes out from one side of it.

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Drain the used oil.



AUTODOC recommends:

- Wait until the fluid has completely run out of the pan.

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Clean the mounting seat of the transmission fluid pan. Use all-purpose cleaning spray.



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Remove the transmission fluid pan gasket. Use a seal scraper.



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Clean the mounting seat of the transmission fluid pan gasket. Use a wire brush. Use cleaner&thinner.



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Apply sealant to the mounting seat of the transmission fluid pan gasket. Install the new transmission fluid pan gasket.



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Treat the mounting seat of the transmission fluid pan. Use cleaner&thinner.



Replacement: manual gearbox oil – OPEL Vectra B Estate (J96). Tip from AUTODOC:

- Prevent fluid from getting on the mounting seat of the transmission fluid pan.

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Install and fasten the transmission fluid pan.



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Tighten the fastening bolts of the transmission fluid pan in a criss-cross pattern. Use a drive socket #11. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 20 Nm torque.



19 Remove the retainers and move aside the coolant pipe.



20 Clean the gearbox breather. Use all-purpose cleaning spray.



21 Unscrew the gearbox breather. Use a drive socket #16. Use a ratchet wrench.



22 Insert the funnel. Pour new transmission fluid in the gearbox through the breather hole. Required amount of oil: 1.6 L.

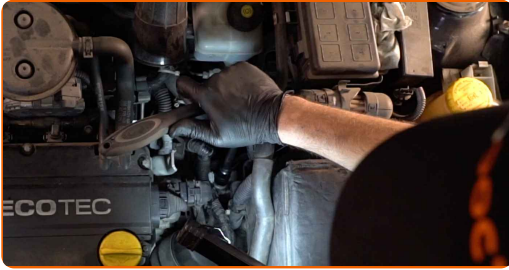


Replacement: manual gearbox oil – OPEL Vectra B Estate (J96). Tip from AUTODOC experts:

- Use the oil recommended by the manufacturer.

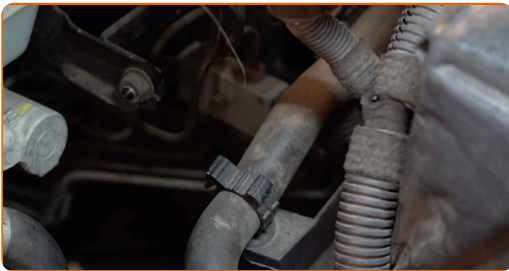
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Screw the gearbox breather. Use a drive socket #16. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 28 nm torque.



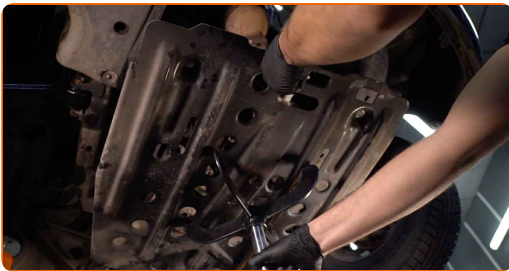
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Return the coolant pipe to its initial position and fasten it.



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Support the engine skid plate. Use a hydraulic transmission jack.



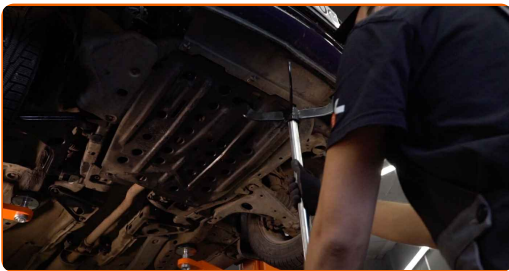
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Reinstall the oil pan lower cover.



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Remove the hydraulic transmission jack.



- 28 Tighten the fasteners of the oil pan lower cover. Use a drive socket #12. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 30 nm torque.



- 29 Lower the car.

- 30 Remove the fender protection cover.

- 31 Close the hood.

WELL DONE! 

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