



How to change front  
wheel bearing on **Toyota**  
**RAV4 II** – replacement  
guide

## VIDEO TUTORIAL



### **i Important!**

This replacement procedure can be used for:

TOYOTA RAV 4 II (CLA2\_, XA2\_, ZCA2\_, ACA2\_) 1.8 (ZCA25\_, ZCA26\_), TOYOTA Avensis Verso (\_M2\_) 2.0 (ACM20\_), TOYOTA Avensis Verso (\_M2\_) 2.0 D (CLM20\_), TOYOTA RAV 4 II (CLA2\_, XA2\_, ZCA2\_, ACA2\_) 2.0 D 4WD (CLA20\_, CLA21\_), TOYOTA RAV 4 II (CLA2\_, XA2\_, ZCA2\_, ACA2\_) 2.4 4WD, TOYOTA Avensis Verso (\_M2\_) 2.4 (ACM21), TOYOTA RAV 4 II (CLA2\_, XA2\_, ZCA2\_, ACA2\_) 2.4 4WD (ACA23, ACA22)

The steps may slightly vary depending on the car design.

## REPLACEMENT: WHEEL BEARING – TOYOTA RAV4 II. LIST OF THE TOOLS YOU'LL NEED:



- Wire brush
- WD-40 spray
- All-purpose cleaning spray
- Brake cleaner
- Ceramic grease
- Multipurpose grease
- Copper grease
- Torque wrench
- Combination spanner #19
- Drive socket # 10
- Drive socket # 17
- Drive socket # 19
- 12-point socket # 30
- Wheel impact socket #19
- Bush and bearing driver set
- Bearing separator
- Ball joint puller
- Ratchet wrench
- Circlip pliers
- Water pump pliers
- Flat chisel
- Hammer
- Crow bar
- Wheel chock

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### AUTODOC recommends:

- Do not re-use the bearing assembly of your Toyota RAV4 II car.
- The wheel hub bearing replacement procedure is identical for both wheels on the same axle.
- Please note: all work on the car – Toyota RAV4 II – should be done with the engine switched off.

## CARRY OUT REPLACEMENT IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

1

Open the bonnet. Unscrew the brake fluid reservoir cap.



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Secure the wheels with chocks.

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Unstake the fastener of the driveshaft. Use a flat metal-working chisel. Use a hammer.

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Loosen the fastener of the driveshaft. Use 12-point socket No.30.



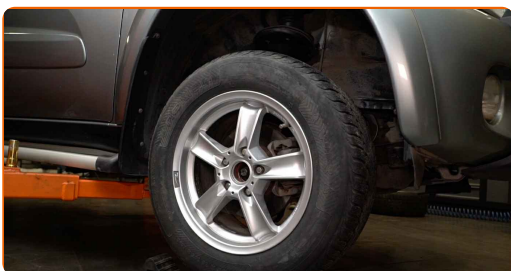
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Loosen the wheel mounting bolts. Use wheel impact socket #19.



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Raise the car.

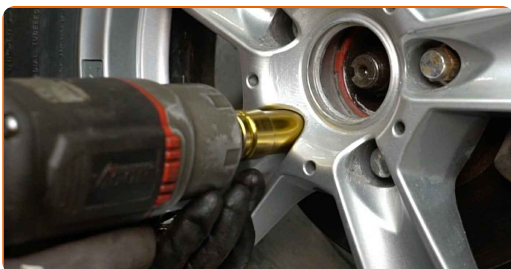


Replacement: wheel bearing – Toyota RAV4 II. AUTODOC recommends:

- If you are using a jack, make sure it rests on a flat surface without any unevenness.
- Be sure to additionally secure the car with jack stands.

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Unscrew the wheel bolts.

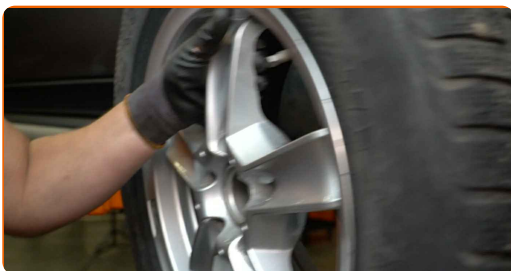


### AUTODOC recommends:

- Warning! To avoid injury, hold the wheel while unscrewing the fastening bolts.  
Toyota RAV4 II

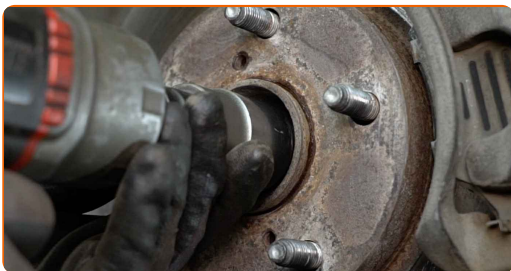
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Remove the wheel.



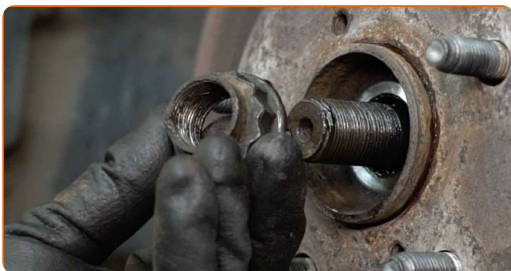
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Unscrew the fastener connecting the drive shaft to the wheel hub. Use 12-point socket No.30. Use a ratchet wrench.



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Remove the fastening nut.



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Spread the brake pads. Use a crowbar.



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



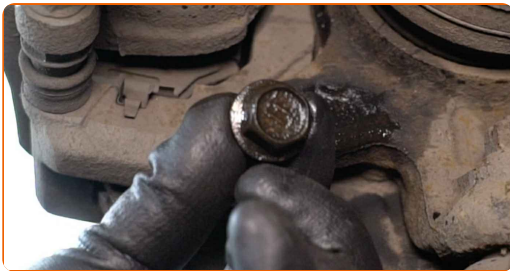
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Unscrew the brake caliper bracket fasteners. Use a drive socket #17. Use a ratchet wrench.



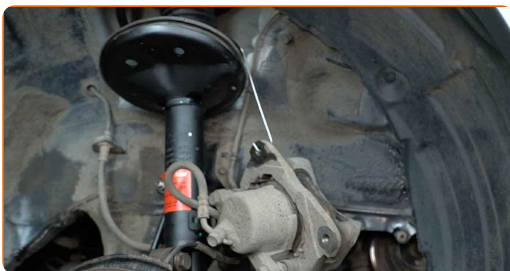
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Remove the fastening bolts.



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Remove the brake caliper together with its bracket.



### Replacement: wheel bearing – Toyota RAV4 II. AUTODOC experts recommend:

- 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.

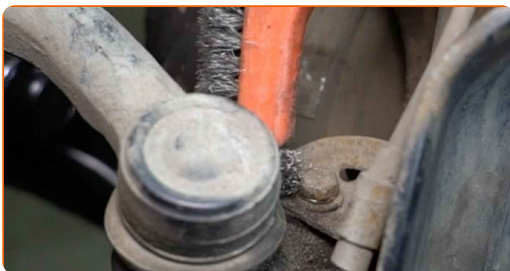
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Remove the brake disc.



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Clean the ABS wiring harness bracket. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



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Unscrew the fastener of the ABS sensor wiring harness. Use a drive socket #10. Use a ratchet wrench.



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Disconnect the ABS sensor wiring.



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Clean the ABS sensor fastener. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



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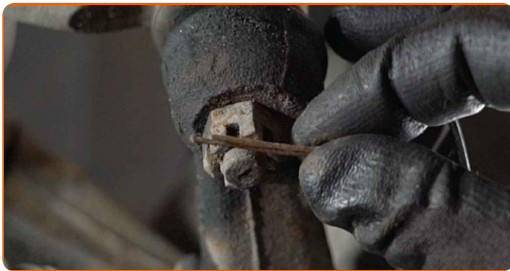
Unscrew the ABS sensor fastener. Use a drive socket #10. Use a ratchet wrench.



- 22** Disconnect the ABS sensor. Use water pump pliers.



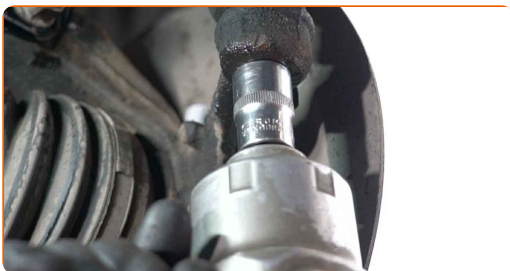
- 23** Remove the cotter pin that secures the fastener connecting the tie rod end to the steering knuckle. Use a crowbar.



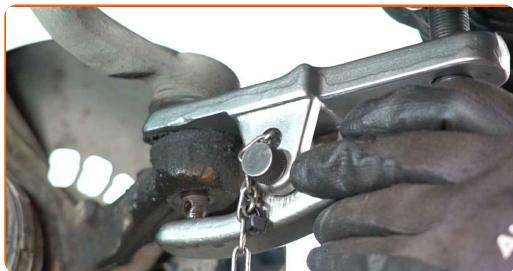
- 24** Clean the fastener connecting the tie rod end to the steering knuckle. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



- 25** Unscrew the end fastening nut to the steering knuckle. Use a drive socket #17. Use a ratchet wrench.



- 26 Disconnect the tie rod end from the steering knuckle. Use a ball joint puller.



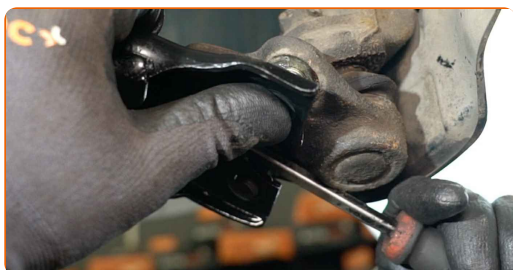
- 27 Clean the fasteners connecting the ball joint to the suspension control arm. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



- 28 Unscrew the fasteners connecting the ball joint to the control arm. Use a drive socket #17. Use a ratchet wrench.



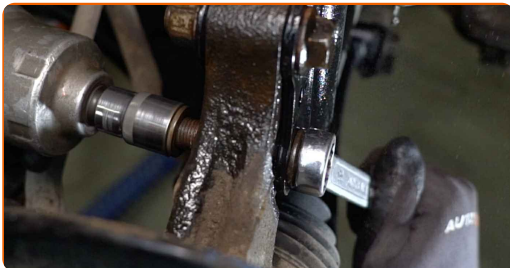
- 29 Disconnect the ball joint from the control arm. Use a crowbar.



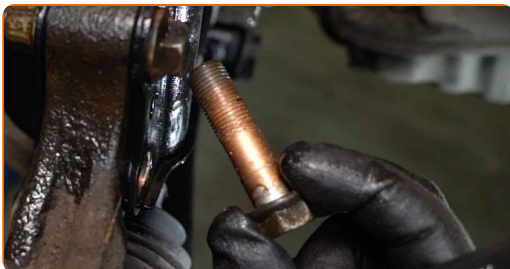
- 30** Clean the fasteners connecting the shock strut to the steering knuckle. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



- 31** Unscrew the fasteners connecting the suspension strut to the steering knuckle. Use a combination spanner #19. Use a drive socket #19. Use a ratchet wrench.



- 32** Remove the fastening bolts.



- 33** Detach the driveshaft from the steering knuckle.

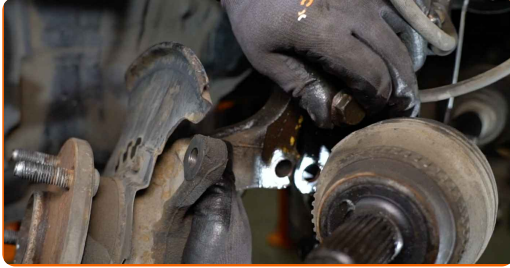


Replacement: wheel bearing – Toyota RAV4 II. Tip from AUTODOC experts:

- Make sure that the drive shaft is not unloaded (when the car is jacked).

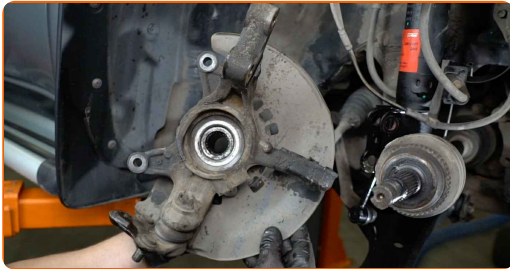
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Disconnect the steering knuckle from the shock absorber strut.



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Remove the steering knuckle together with the wheel hub.



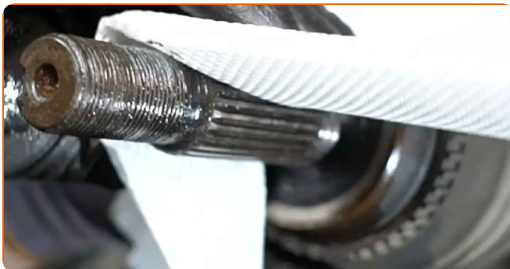
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Clean the splines of the drive shaft CV joint. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



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Treat the splines of the driveshaft CV joint. Use copper grease.



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Clean the mounting seats of the shock strut. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



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Clean the tie rod end fastener. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



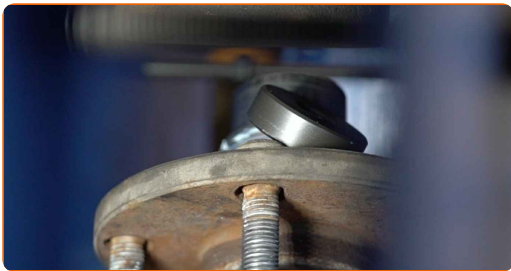
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Clean the ball joint fasteners. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



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Remove the hub from the steering knuckle. Use a bush and bearing driver set.



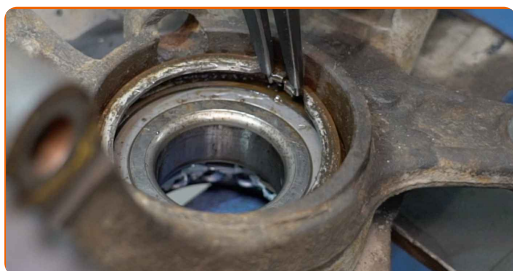
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Clean the wheel hub bearing retaining ring. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



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Remove the wheel hub bearing retaining ring. Use circlip pliers.



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Dismantle the inner bearing race that is remaining on the hub. Use a bush and bearing driver set. Use a bearing separator.



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Press out the wheel hub bearing. Use a bush and bearing driver set.



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Clean the hub bearing mounting seat. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



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Press the new bearing in the steering knuckle. Use a bush and bearing driver set.



Replacement: wheel bearing – Toyota RAV4 II. Professionals recommend:

- Check to make sure the wheel hub bearing is positioned correctly. Avoid its misalignment.
- Stop pressing on the surface of the bearing immediately after it has been fitted into its mounting seat.

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Install the wheel hub bearing retaining ring. Use circlip pliers.



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Clean the hub bearing mounting seat. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



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Install the wheel hub on the steering knuckle. Use a bush and bearing driver set.

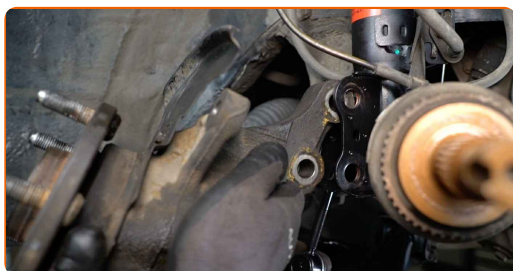


### AUTODOC recommends:

- Make sure that the wheel hub is positioned correctly. Avoid any misalignment.

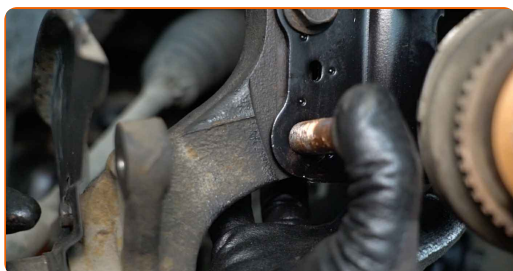
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Install the steering knuckle assembled with the wheel hub.

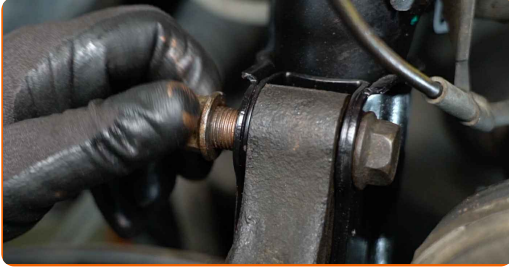


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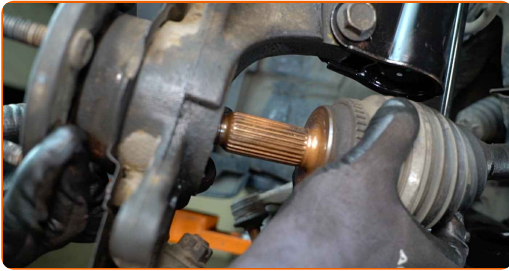
Fix the shock absorber strut on the steering knuckle.



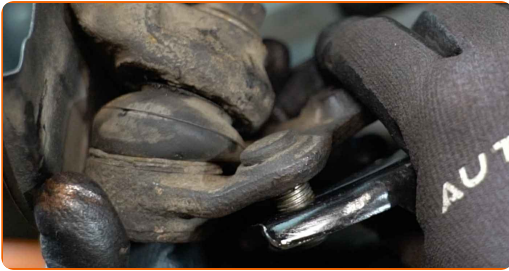
**53** Install the fastening bolts.



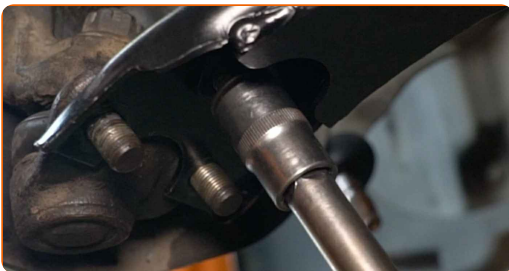
**54** Install the steering knuckle on the CV axle.



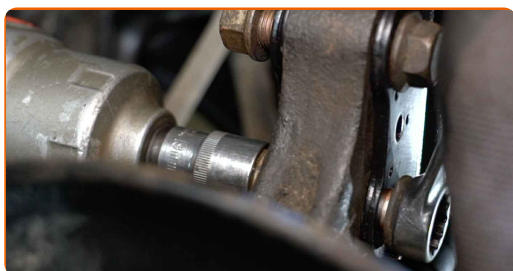
**55** Attach the ball joint to the control arm.



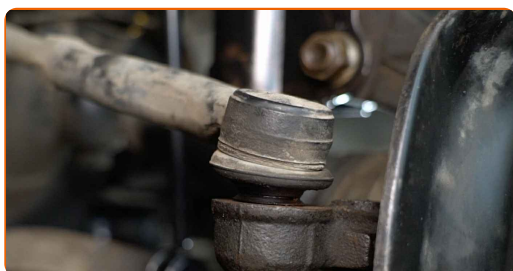
**56** Tighten the fasteners that connect the ball joint to the suspension arm. Use a drive socket #17. Use a ratchet wrench.



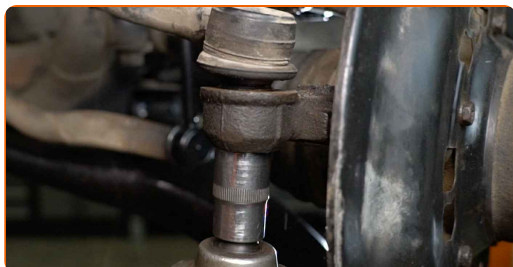
- 57** Screw in the fasteners connecting the suspension strut to the steering knuckle. Use a combination spanner #19. Use a drive socket #19. Use a ratchet wrench.



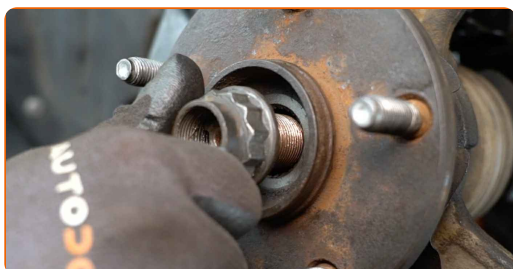
- 58** Connect the tie rod end to the steering knuckle.



- 59** Screw on the fastening nut that connects the tie rod end to the steering knuckle. Use a drive socket #17. Use a ratchet wrench.

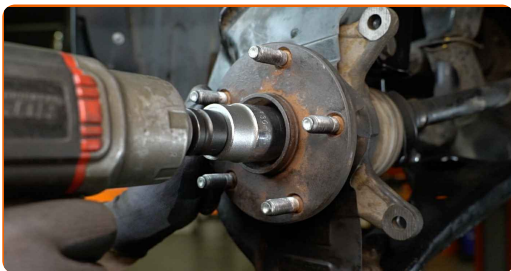


- 60** Install the fastening nut.



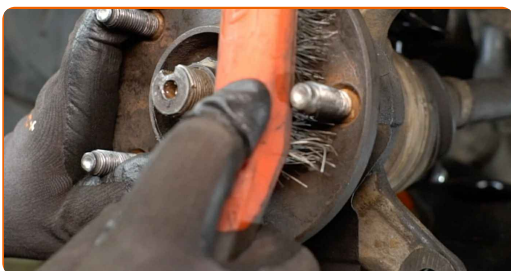
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Screw in the fastener of the CV axle. Use 12-point socket No.30. Use a ratchet wrench.



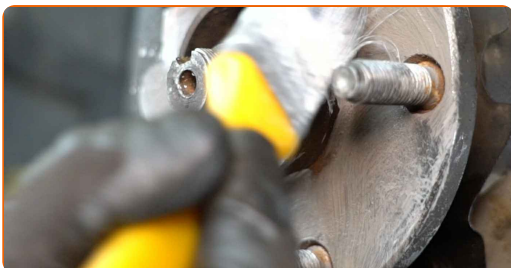
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Clean the wheel hub. Use a wire brush. Use all-purpose cleaning spray.



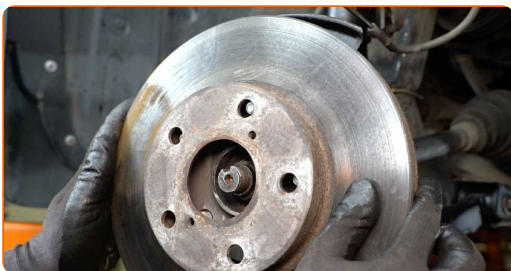
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Treat the contacting surface. Use ceramic grease.



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Install the brake disc.

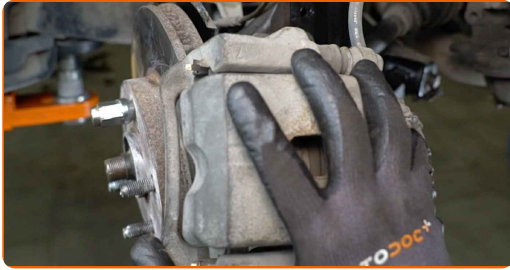


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Clean the mounting seat of the brake caliper bracket. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.

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Install the brake caliper together with its bracket.



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Install the fastening bolts.



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Screw in the fasteners of the brake caliper bracket. Use a drive socket #17. Use a ratchet wrench.

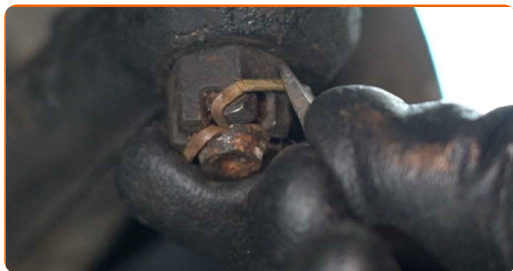


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Tighten the fastening nut connecting the tie rod end to the steering knuckle. Use a drive socket #17. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 49 Nm torque.



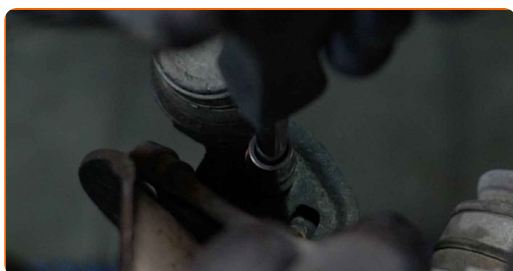
- 70** Install the cotter pin that secures the fastener connecting the ball joint to the steering knuckle. Use a crowbar.



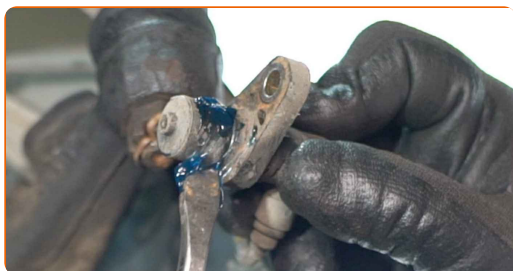
- 71** Connect the ABS sensor wiring.



- 72** Tighten the fastener of the ABS sensor wiring harness. Use a drive socket #10. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 8 Nm torque.

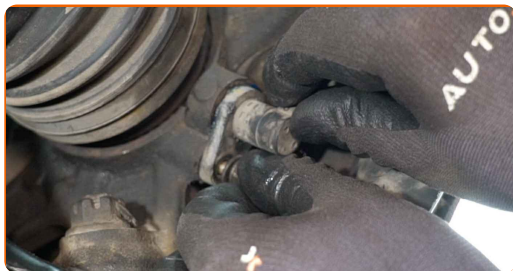


- 73** Treat the mounting surface of the ABS sensor. Use a multipurpose grease.



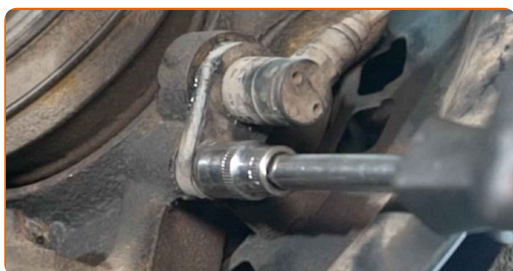
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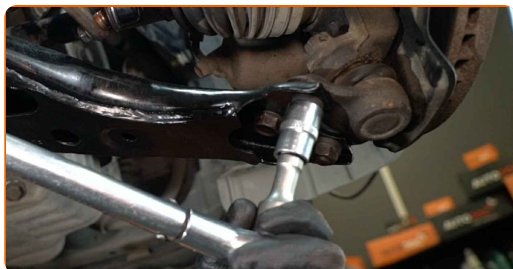
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Tighten the fastener that connects the ABS sensor to the steering knuckle. Use a drive socket #10. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 8 Nm torque.



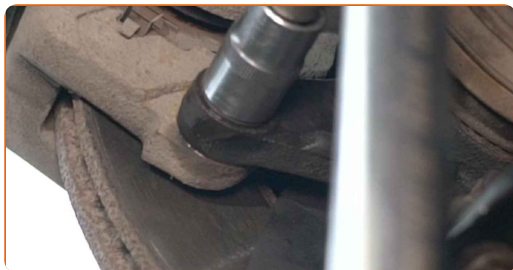
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Tighten the fasteners connecting the ball joint to the control arm. Use a drive socket #17. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 75 Nm torque.

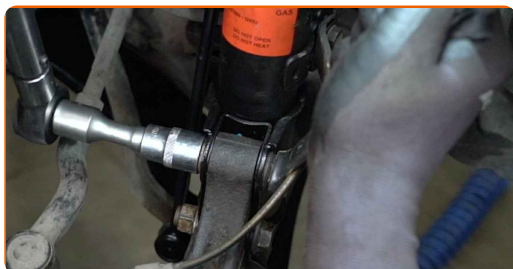


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Tighten the brake caliper bracket fasteners. Use a drive socket #17. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 106 Nm torque.



- 78 Tighten the lower fasteners connecting the shock strut to the steering knuckle. Use a combination spanner #19. Use a drive socket #19. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 143 Nm torque.

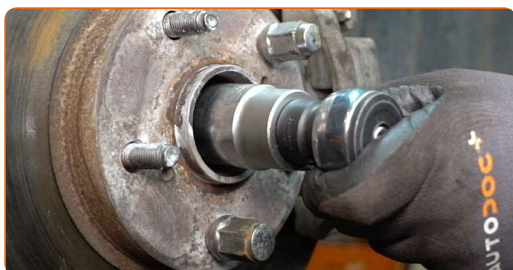


- 79 Treat the shock strut fasteners. Use copper grease.

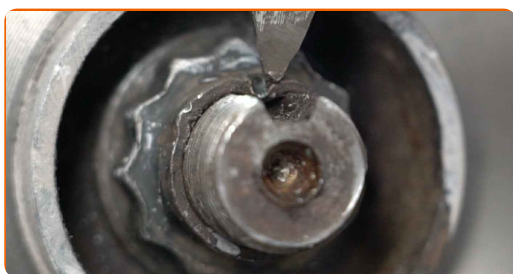
- 80 Treat the fastener connecting the tie rod end to the steering knuckle. Use copper grease.

- 81 Treat the fasteners of the ball joint. Use copper grease.

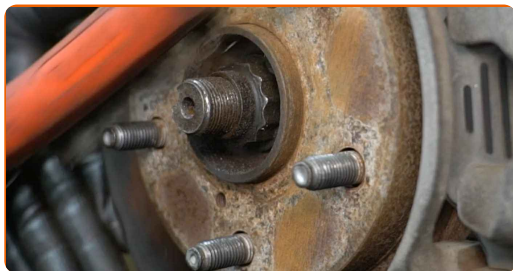
- 82 Tighten the CV axle fastener. Use 12-point socket No.30. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 216 Nm torque.



- 83 Restake the fastener of the driveshaft. Use a flat metal-working chisel. Use a hammer.



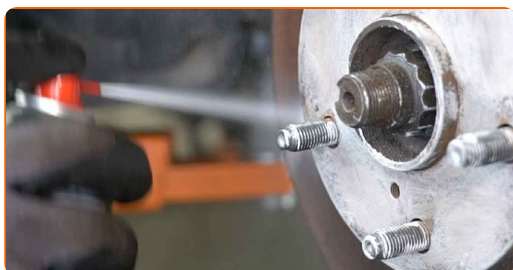
- 84 Clean the wheel rim mounting seat. Use a wire brush.



- 85 Treat the surface where the brake disc contacts the wheel rim. Use ceramic grease.



- 86 Clean the brake disk surface. Use a brake cleaner.



### AUTODOC recommends:

- Replacement: wheel bearing – Toyota RAV4 II. After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.

- 87 Install the wheel.

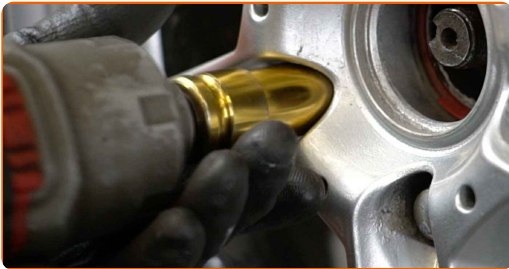


### AUTODOC recommends:

- Warning! To avoid injury, hold the wheel while screwing in the fastening bolts on the car. Toyota RAV4 II

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Screw in the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #19.



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Lower the car and working in a cross order, tighten the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #19. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 103 Nm torque.



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Remove the jacks and chocks.



Replacement: wheel bearing – Toyota RAV4 II. Tip from AUTODOC experts:

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