



How to change tailgate  
struts on **VAUXHALL**  
**Vivaro Minibus (J7)** –  
replacement guide

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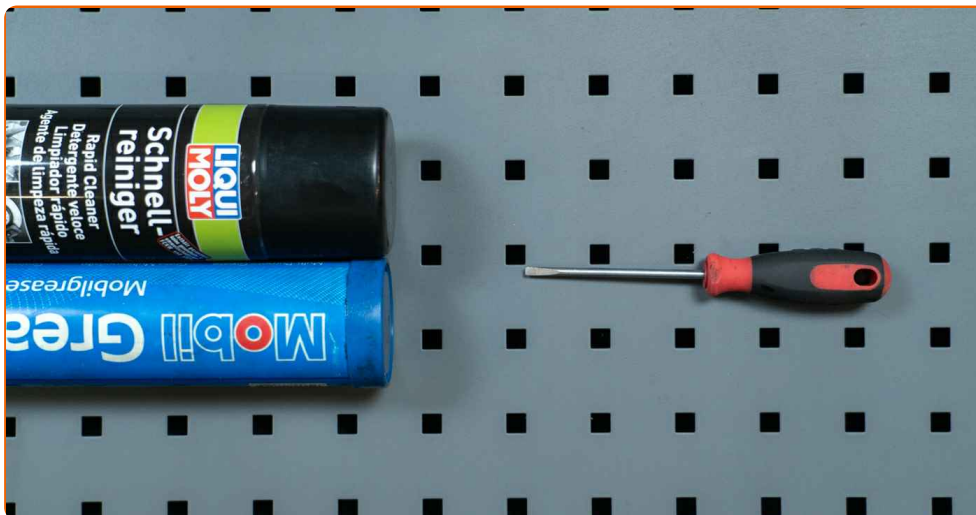
This replacement procedure can be used for:

VAUXHALL VIVARO Combi (J7) 2.0 ECOTEC, VAUXHALL VIVARO Combi (J7) 1.9 DI, VAUXHALL VIVARO Combi (J7) 1.9 DTI, VAUXHALL VIVARO Combi (J7) 2.0 16V, VAUXHALL VIVARO Combi (J7) 2.5 DTI, VAUXHALL VIVARO Combi (J7) 2.0 CDTI, VAUXHALL VIVARO Combi (J7) 2.5 CDTI

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 Vivaro A Combi (X83) 2.5 CDTI (F7, J7, A07)

## REPLACEMENT: TAILGATE STRUTS – VAUXHALL VIVARO MINIBUS (J7). TOOLS YOU'LL NEED:



- All-purpose cleaning spray
- Multipurpose grease
- Slotted screwdriver
- Transmission jack

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Replacement: tailgate struts – VAUXHALL Vivaro Minibus (J7). AUTODOC experts recommend:

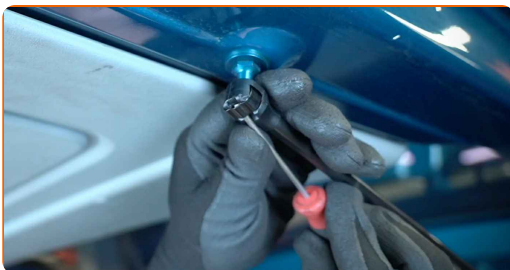
- Replace both rear door gas struts together.
- The replacement procedure is identical for the left and right rear door gas struts.
- All the work should be carried out with the ignition switched off.

## REPLACEMENT: TAILGATE STRUTS – VAUXHALL VIVARO MINIBUS (J7). USE THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE:

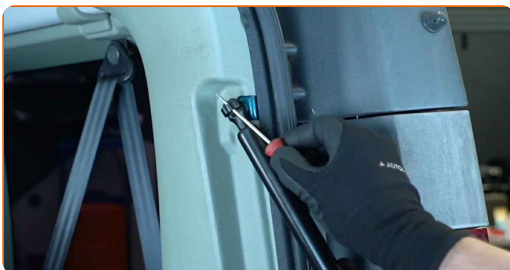
1 Open the rear door.

2 Prop up the rear door. Use a transmission jack.

3 Release the retaining clip connecting the right gas strut to the rear door. Use a slotted screwdriver.

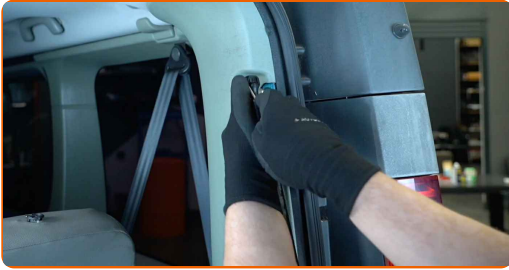


4 Release the retaining clip connecting the right gas strut to the vehicle body. Use a slotted screwdriver.



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Remove the right gas strut of the rear door.



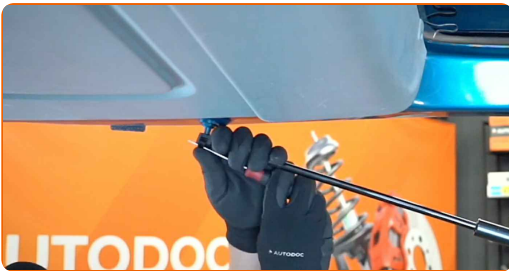
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Clean the mounting seats of the right gas strut. Use an all-purpose cleaning spray.



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Release the retaining clip connecting the left gas strut to the rear door. Use a slotted screwdriver.



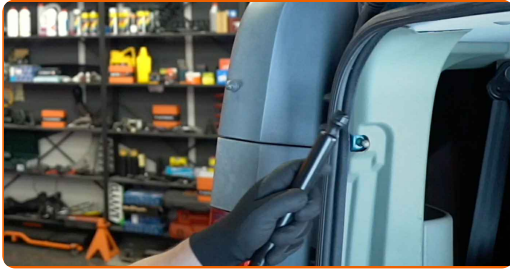
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Release the retaining clip connecting the left gas strut to the vehicle body. Use a slotted screwdriver.



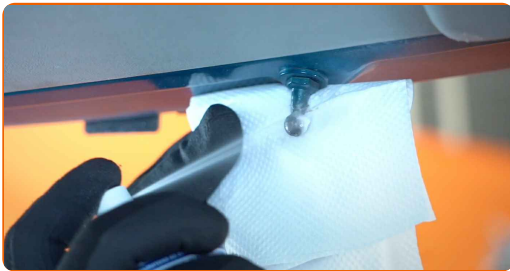
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Remove the left gas strut of the rear door.



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Clean the mounting seats of the left gas strut. Use an all-purpose cleaning spray.



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Apply grease to the ball sockets of the new gas struts if they are not sold pregreased. Use multipurpose grease.

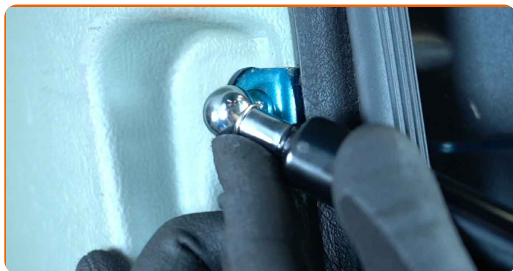


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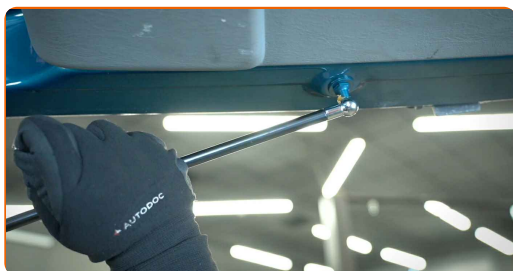
Install the new right gas strut on the rear door.



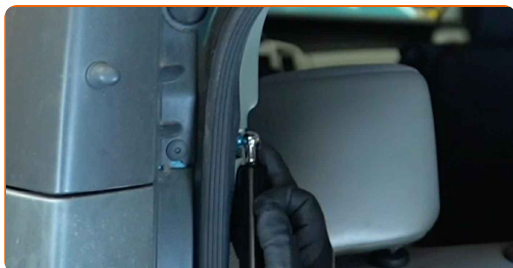
- 13** Snap on the retaining clip connecting the right gas strut to the vehicle body.



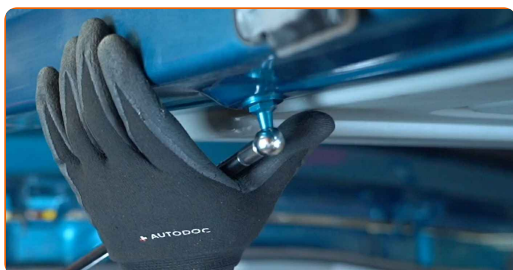
- 14** Snap on the retaining clip connecting the right gas strut to the rear door.



- 15** Install the new left gas strut on the rear door.



- 16** Snap on the retaining clip connecting the left gas strut to the car body.



- 17** Snap on the retaining clip connecting the left gas strut to the rear door.



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Remove the transmission jack from under the rear door.

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- Remove the transmission jack carefully, supporting the rear door with your hand until you are sure that the new gas struts hold it securely.

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Check that the new components are working.

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Close the rear door.

**WELL DONE!** 

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