



How to change track rod  
end on **Mercedes Vito**  
**W639** – replacement  
guide

## VIDEO TUTORIAL



### Important!

This replacement procedure can be used for:

MERCEDES-BENZ VITO / MIXTO Box (W639) 110 CDI 2.2, MERCEDES-BENZ VITO / MIXTO Box (W639) 113 CDI 2.2, MERCEDES-BENZ VITO / MIXTO Box (W639) 116 CDI 2.2, MERCEDES-BENZ VITO / MIXTO Box (W639) 122 CDI 3.0, MERCEDES-BENZ VITO Bus (W639) 110 CDI 2.2, MERCEDES-BENZ VITO Bus (W639) 113 CDI 2.2, MERCEDES-BENZ VITO Bus (W639) 116 CDI 2.2, MERCEDES-BENZ VITO Bus (W639) 122 CDI 3.0, MERCEDES-BENZ VIANO (W639) CDI 2.0 (639.811, 639.813, 639.815), MERCEDES-BENZ VIANO (W639) CDI 2.2 (639.811, 639.813, 639.815), MERCEDES-BENZ VIANO (W639) CDI 3.0 (639.811, 639.813, 639.815), MERCEDES-BENZ VIANO (W639) CDI 2.0 4-matic (639.811, 639.813, 639.815), MERCEDES-BENZ VIANO (W639) CDI 2.2 4-matic (639.811, 639.813, 639.815), MERCEDES-BENZ VITO Bus (W639) 116 CDI 2.2 4x4, MERCEDES-BENZ VITO Bus (W639) 113 CDI 2.2 4x4, (+ 37)

The steps may slightly vary depending on the car design.

REPLACEMENT: TRACK ROD END – MERCEDES VITO  
W639. TOOLS YOU'LL NEED:



- Wire brush
- WD-40 spray
- Brake cleaner
- Copper grease
- Combination spanner #24
- Drive socket # 21
- Wheel impact socket #17
- Ratchet wrench
- Torque wrench
- Vernier caliper
- Ball joint puller
- Wheel chock

**BUY TOOLS**

**Replacement: track rod end – Mercedes Vito W639. Tip from AUTODOC:**

- Replace tie rod ends in pairs.
- The replacement procedure is identical for the right and left tie rod ends.
- Please note: all work on the car – Mercedes Vito W639 – should be done with the engine switched off.

**CARRY OUT REPLACEMENT IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:**

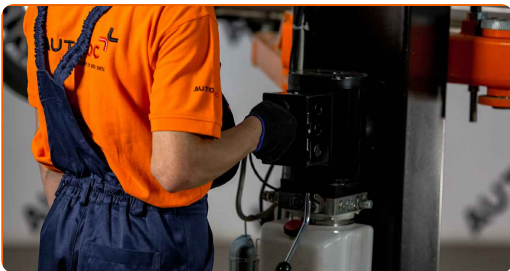
**1** Secure the wheels with chocks.



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



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



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Unscrew the wheel bolts.

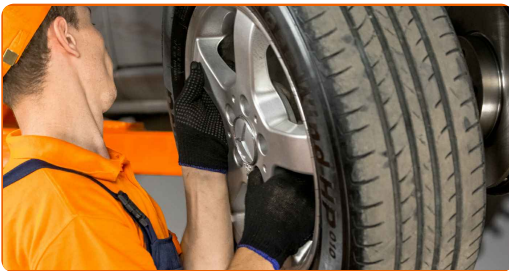


**AUTODOC recommends:**

- Warning! To avoid injury, hold the wheel while unscrewing the fastening bolts.  
Mercedes Vito W639

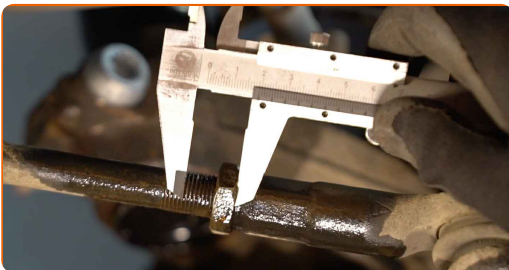
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Remove the wheel.



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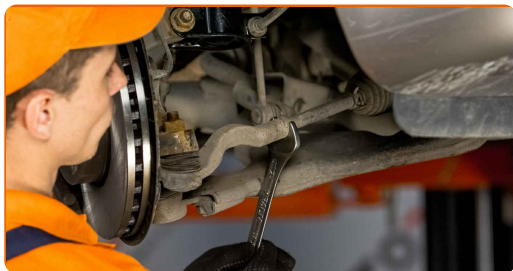
When deinstalling, mark or measure the precise position of the ball joint on the track rod, or count the number of turns in order to prevent misalignment afterward. Use a vernier caliper.



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Clean the lock nut that connects the tie rod to the tie rod end. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.

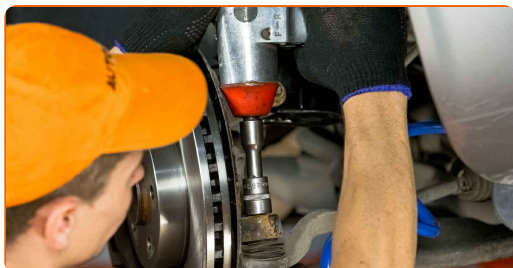
**8** Loosen the lock nut securing the tie rod end to the tie rod. Use a combination spanner #24.



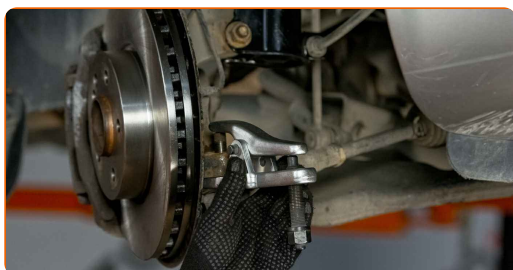
**9** Clean the fastener connecting the tie rod end to the steering knuckle. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



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



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



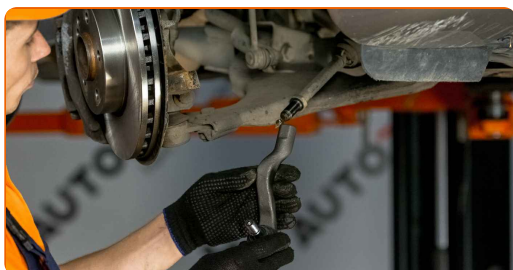
**12** Screw the end out of the tie rod.



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



**14** Screw on a new tie rod end.



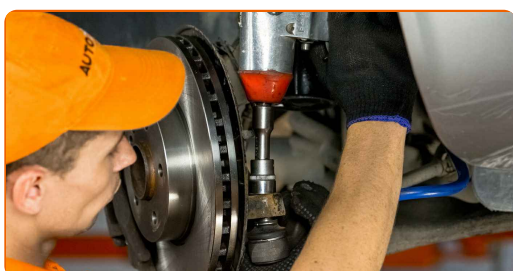
**Replacement: track rod end – Mercedes Vito W639. Tip from AUTODOC:**

- 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.

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



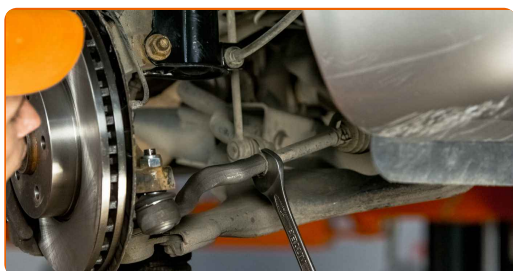
**16** Tighten the fastening nut connecting the tie rod end to the steering knuckle. Use a drive socket #21. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 50 Nm torque. +60°



**AUTODOC recommends:**

- Important! Be sure to use new fasteners.

**17** Tighten the tie rod end locknut. Use a combination spanner #24. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 65 nm torque.



**18** Treat all tie rod end connections. Use copper grease.





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



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Clean the brake disk surface. Use a brake cleaner.



**AUTODOC recommends:**

- Replacement: track rod end – Mercedes Vito W639. After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.

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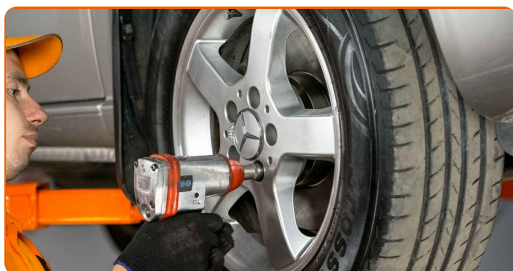
Install the wheel.



**AUTODOC recommends:**

- Warning! To avoid injury, hold the wheel while screwing in the fastening bolts on the car. Mercedes Vito W639

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



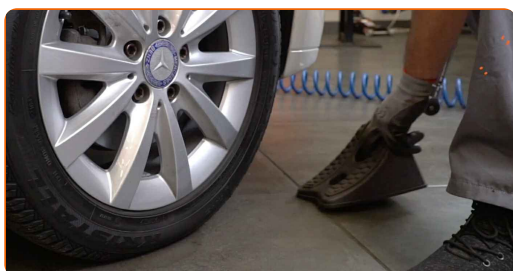
**23** Lower the car and working in a cross order, tighten the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 130 nm torque.



Replacement: track rod end – Mercedes Vito W639. Tip from AUTODOC experts:

- Check and adjust wheel alignment if necessary.

**24** Remove the jacks and chocks.



**WELL DONE!** 

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