



How to change front coil  
springs on **VOLVO S80 I**  
**(184)** – 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:

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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: VOLVO V70 II (285) 2.0 T

REPLACEMENT: COIL SPRINGS – VOLVO S80 I (184).  
TOOLS YOU NEED:



- Wire brush
- WD-40 spray
- Brake cleaner
- Copper grease
- Combination spanner #18
- Impact socket №13
- Impact socket №18
- Impact socket №21
- HEX bit No.H6
- Wheel impact socket #19
- Ratchet wrench
- Torque wrench
- Water pump pliers
- Tap wrench
- Crow bar
- Hydraulic strut spring compressor
- Hydraulic transmission jack
- Wheel chock
- Fender cover

**Buy tools**

**Replacement: coil springs – VOLVO S80 I (184). Professionals recommend:**

- Both coil springs of the front suspension should be replaced simultaneously.
- The replacement procedure is identical for the left and right coil springs of the front suspension.
- Please note: all work on the car – VOLVO S80 I (184) – should be done with the engine switched off.

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

**1** Open the bonnet.

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

**3** Clean the fasteners of the shock strut upper mount. Use WD-40 spray.



**4** Loosen the upper fastener of the shock strut mount. Use a drive socket #13. Use a ratchet wrench.



**5** Secure the wheels with chocks.

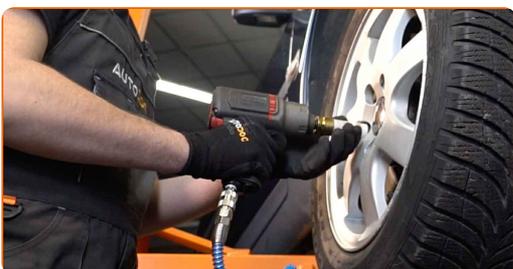


**6** Loosen the wheel mounting bolts. Use wheel impact socket #19.



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

**8** Unscrew the wheel bolts.



**AUTODOC recommends:**

- Warning! To avoid injury, hold the wheel while unscrewing the fastening bolts.  
VOLVO S80 I (184)

**9** Remove the wheel.



**10** Clean the stabiliser link fasteners. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



**11** Unscrew the nut and remove the stabilizer rod from the shock strut. Use a drive socket #18. Use a ratchet wrench.



**12** Disconnect the fastener of the ABS sensor cable from the shock absorber strut. Use a crowbar.



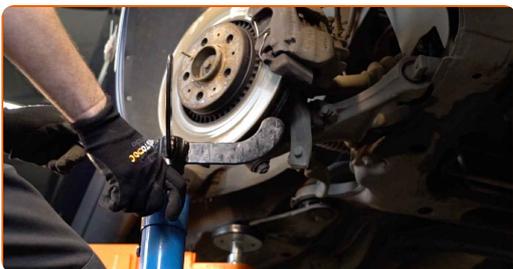
**13** Clean the fasteners connecting the shock strut to the steering knuckle. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



**14** Unscrew the lower fastener connecting the shock strut to the steering knuckle. Use a combination spanner #18. Use a drive socket #21. Use a ratchet wrench. Use a tap wrench.



**15** Prop up the steering knuckle. Use a hydraulic transmission jack.



**16** Remove the fastening bolts.



**17** Disconnect the steering knuckle from the shock absorber strut.



**18** Unscrew the top fastening of the shock strut mount.



**AUTODOC recommends:**

- VOLVO S80 I (184) – To avoid injury, hold the suspension strut while unscrewing the fastening bolts.

**19** Remove the suspension strut.



**20** Set the shock absorber strut on the spring compressor tool.



Replacement: coil springs – VOLVO S80 I (184). Tip from AUTODOC:

- Note that when using a spring compressor, spring coils need to be securely gripped, compressing the spring on the opposite sides.
- Ensure the correct position of the spring in the retainer.
- Make sure that the spring coils tightly entered the lock handles.

21 Compress the spring.



22 Remove the shock strut mount cap. Use a crowbar.



23 Treat the shock strut rod. Use WD-40 spray.

24 Remove the strut piston rod nut. Use HEX No.H6. Use a drive socket #21. Use a ratchet wrench.



**25** Unscrew the fastener of the shock strut mount. Use HEX No.H6. Use a ratchet wrench. Use water pump pliers.



**26** Remove the top strut mount.



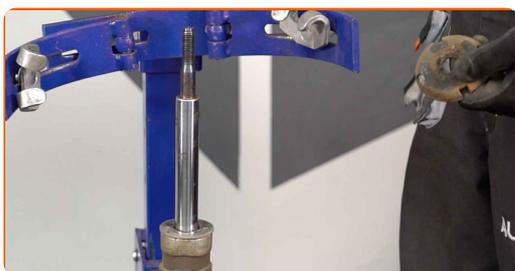
**27** Release the coil spring.



**28** Remove the spring.



**29** Remove the shock absorber dust cap and the bump stop.



**AUTODOC recommends:**

- Replacement: coil springs – VOLVO S80 I (184). Carefully inspect the mount, the boot, and the bump stop of the shock absorber. Replace if necessary.

**30**

Install the boot and a bump stop onto the shock absorber.



**31**

Install the spring on the shock absorber.



**32**

Compress the spring.



**33**

Install the upper strut mount and the strut mount bearing.



**34** Screw in the fastener of the shock strut mount. Use HEX No.H6. Use a ratchet wrench. Use water pump pliers.



**35** Tighten the shock strut piston rod nut. Use HEX No.H6. Use a drive socket #21. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 65 Nm torque.



**AUTODOC recommends:**

- Check to make sure the spring is positioned correctly. Avoid its misalignment.

**36** Decompress the spring.



**37** Remove the assembled shock strut.



**38** Install the shock strut into the wheel arch.



**39** Screw the top fastening of the shock strut mount. Do not tighten it.



**AUTODOC recommends:**

- VOLVO S80 I (184) – To avoid injury, hold the suspension strut while screwing in the fastening bolts.

**40** Treat the shock strut mounting seat on the steering knuckle. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



**41** Fix the shock absorber strut on the steering knuckle.



**42** Install the fastening bolts. Use a crowbar.



**43** Remove the support from under the steering knuckle.



**AUTODOC recommends:**

- VOLVO S80 I (184) – Do not lower the transmission jack sharply to avoid damaging components and mechanisms of the car.

- 44** Screw in the fastener that connects the shock strut to the steering knuckle. Use a combination spanner #18. Use a drive socket #21. Use a ratchet wrench. Use a tap wrench.



- 45** Tighten the lower fasteners connecting the shock strut to the steering knuckle. Use a combination spanner #18. Use a drive socket #21. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 105 Nm torque.+60°



**AUTODOC recommends:**

- Important! Be sure to use new fasteners.

- 46** Install the transverse stabilizer link.



- 47** Tighten the fastener connecting the stabilizer link to the shock strut. Use a drive socket #18. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 50 Nm torque.



- 48** Connect the fastener of the ABS sensor cable to the shock absorber strut.



- 49** Treat the shock strut fasteners. Use copper grease.



- 50** Tighten the upper fastener of the shock absorber strut mount. Use a drive socket #13. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 25 Nm torque.



**51** Treat the shock strut fasteners. Treat the shock strut rod. Use copper grease.



**52** Install the shock strut mount cap.

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



**54** Clean the brake disk surface. Use a brake cleaner.



**AUTODOC recommends:**

- Replacement: coil springs – VOLVO S80 I (184). After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.

**55** Install the wheel.



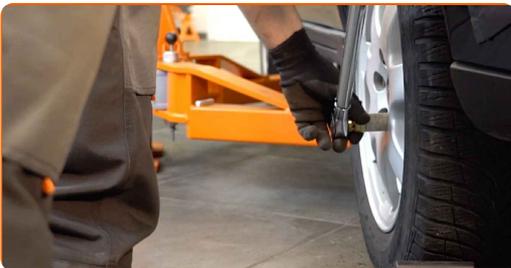
**AUTODOC recommends:**

- Important! Hold the wheel while screwing in the fastening bolts. VOLVO S80 I (184)

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



**57** Lower the car and working in a cross order, tighten the wheel bolts. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 140 Nm torque.



**58** Remove the jacks and chocks.



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Remove the fender protection cover.

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Close the hood.

**WELL DONE!** 

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