



How to change tailgate
struts on **VW Golf IV**
Variant (1J5) –
replacement guide

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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: VW Golf IV Hatchback (1J1) 1.6

REPLACEMENT: TAILGATE STRUTS – VW GOLF IV
VARIANT (1J5). TOOLS YOU'LL NEED:



- Multipurpose grease
- Flat Screwdriver
- Hydraulic transmission jack

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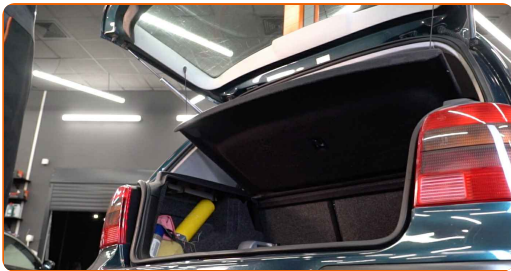
Replacement: tailgate struts – VW Golf IV Variant (1J5). AUTODOC experts recommend:

- Right and left gas struts of the boot lid should be replaced simultaneously.
- The replacement procedure is identical for the right and left gas struts of the boot lid.
- Please note: all work on the car – VW Golf IV Variant (1J5) – should be done with the engine switched off.

CARRY OUT REPLACEMENT IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

1

Open the boot lid.



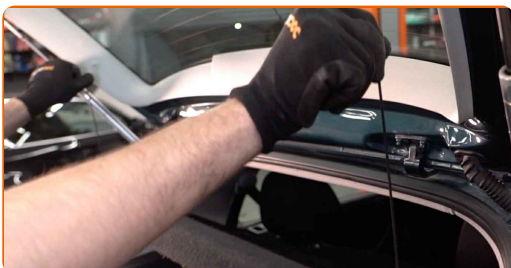
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Support the boot lid. Use a hydraulic transmission jack.



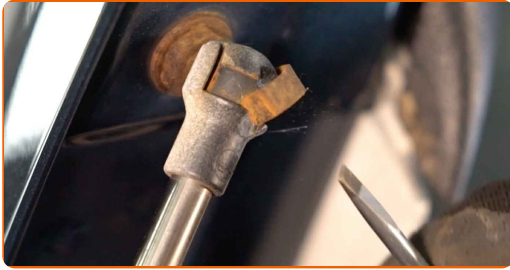
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Detach the rear parcel shelf straps.



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Release the circlip connecting the gas strut to the boot lid. Use a flat screwdriver.



5

Release the circlip connecting the gas strut to the car body. Use a flat screwdriver.



Replacement: tailgate struts – VW Golf IV Variant (1J5). Tip:

- To avoid any injuries, be sure to hold the boot lid while demounting the gas struts.

6

Remove the boot lid gas strut.



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Release the circlip connecting the gas strut to the boot lid. Use a flat screwdriver.



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Release the circlip connecting the gas strut to the car body. Use a flat screwdriver.

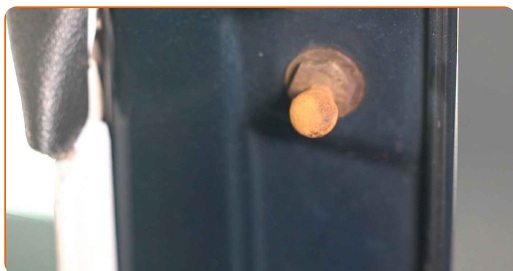


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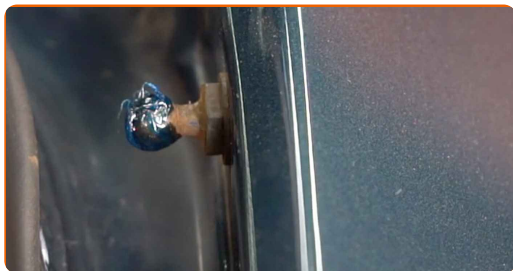
- To avoid any injuries, be sure to hold the boot lid while demounting the gas struts.

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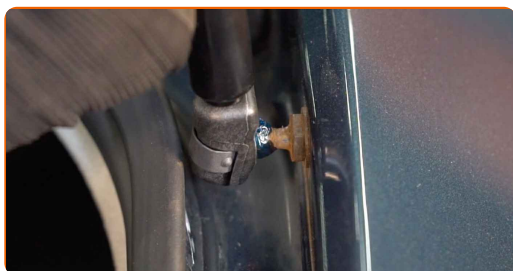
Remove the boot lid gas strut.



10 Treat the fasteners of the boot lid gas strut. Use a multipurpose grease. Use a flat screwdriver.



11 Install the new boot lid gas strut.



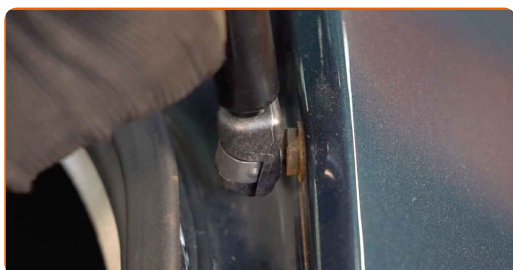
Replacement: tailgate struts – VW Golf IV Variant (1J5). Professionals recommend:

- To avoid any injuries, be sure to hold the boot lid while installing the gas strut.

12 Snap on the circlip connecting the gas strut to the boot lid.



13 Snap on the circlip connecting the gas strut to the car body.



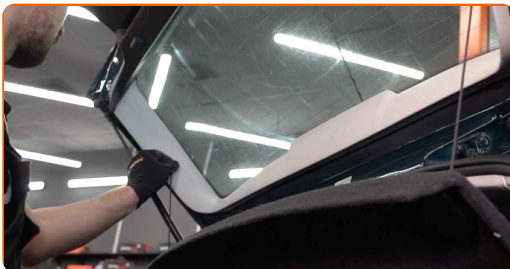
14 Remove the hydraulic transmission jack.



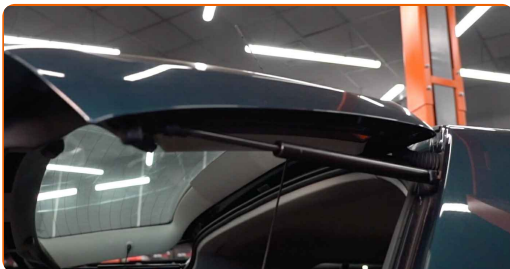
AUTODOC recommends:

- Replacement: tailgate struts – VW Golf IV Variant (1J5). Lower the transmission jack smoothly, without jerks, to avoid damaging components and mechanisms.

15 Attach the rear parcel shelf straps.

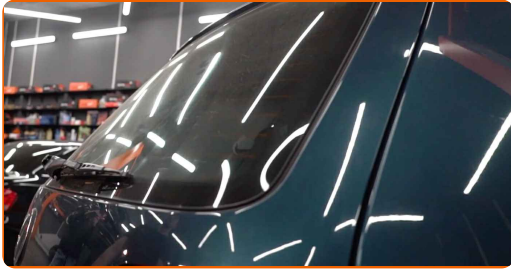


16 Check the working condition of the boot lid gas springs after they are installed.



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Close the lid of the luggage compartment.



WELL DONE! 

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