



How to change  
serpentine belt on **VW**  
**Passat B3/B4 Estate**  
**(3A5, 35i)** – replacement  
guide

## SIMILAR VIDEO TUTORIAL



This video shows the replacement procedure of a similar car part on another vehicle

### **Important!**

This replacement procedure can be used for:

VW Passat B3/B4 Estate (3A5, 35i) 1.9 TD, VW Passat B3/B4 Estate (3A5, 35i) 1.9 TDI

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 V Hatchback (1K1) 1.6

REPLACEMENT: SERPENTINE BELT – VW PASSAT  
B3/B4 ESTATE (3A5, 35I). TOOLS YOU NEED:



- Drive socket # 12
- Ratchet wrench
- Combination spanner #16

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- All work should be done with the engine stopped.

## REPLACEMENT: SERPENTINE BELT – VW PASSAT B3/B4 ESTATE (3A5, 35I). RECOMMENDED SEQUENCE OF STEPS:

**1** Open the hood.

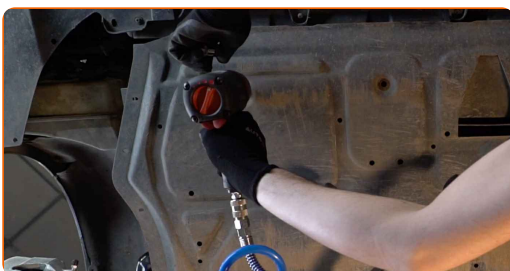
**2** Use a fender protection cover to prevent damaging paintwork and plastic parts of the car.

**3** Secure the wheels with chocks.

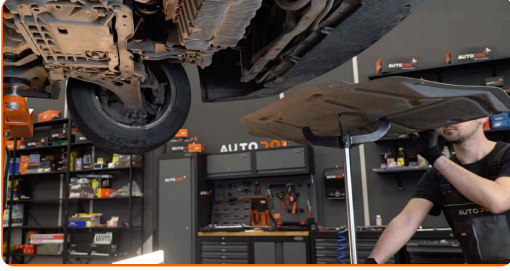
**4** Lift the car using a jack or place it over an inspection pit.



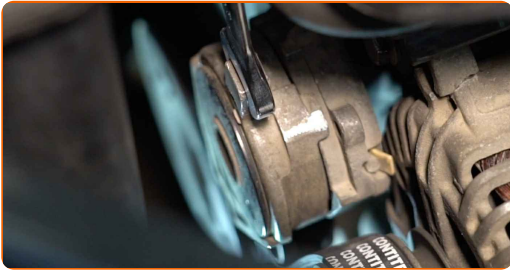
**5** Undo the fasteners of the oil pan lower cover. Use a drive socket #12.



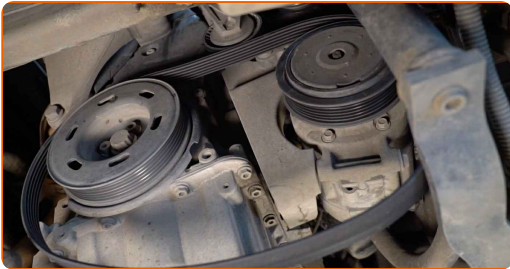
6 Remove the oil pan cover.



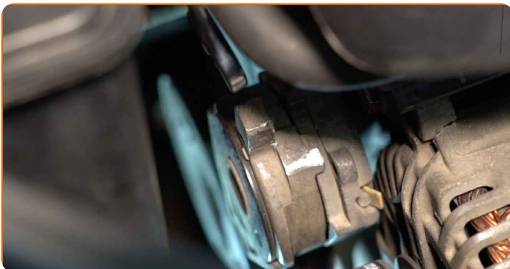
7 Pull aside the V-ribbed belt tensioner pulley. Use a combination spanner #16.



8 Remove the V-ribbed belt.



9 Return the tensioner pulley to its initial position.



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- Check the condition of the tensioner pulley and idler pulley. Replace them if necessary.

**10** Install the V-ribbed belt.



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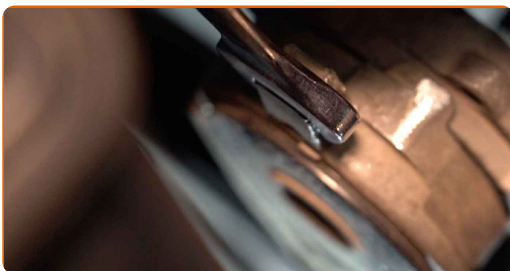
- Make sure that the V-ribbed belt fits all pulleys snugly.

**11** Pull aside the V-ribbed belt tensioner pulley. Use a combination spanner #16.

**12** Place the V-ribbed belt on the tensioner pulley.



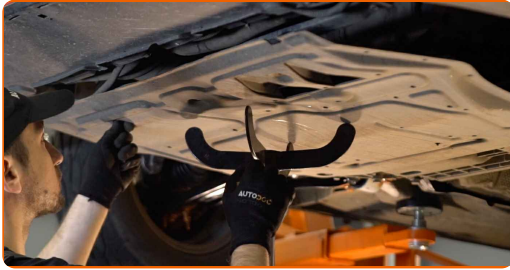
**13** Return the tensioner pulley to its initial position.



**14** Switch on the ignition. This is necessary in order to make sure that the component operates properly.

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Reinstall the oil pan lower cover.



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Tighten the fasteners of the oil pan lower cover. Use a drive socket #12. Use a ratchet wrench.



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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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