



How to change front
brake pads on **VW POLO**
(AW1, BZ1) – replacement
guide

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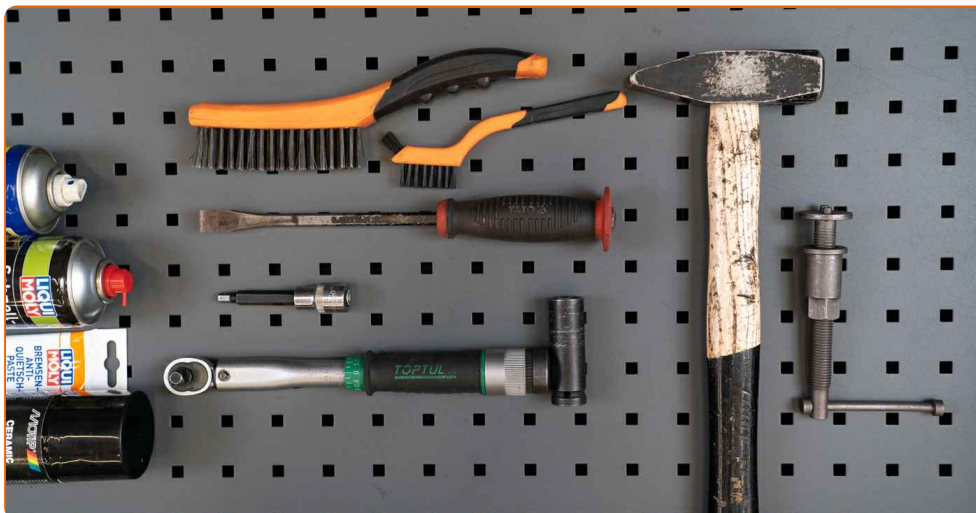
This replacement procedure can be used for:

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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: SEAT Leon Hatchback (1M1) 1.8 20V

REPLACEMENT: BRAKE PADS – VW POLO (AW1, BZ1).
 TOOLS YOU MIGHT NEED:



- Wire brush
- Nylon cleaning brush
- Brake cleaner
- Anti-squeal paste
- Ceramic grease
- Torque wrench
- HEX bit No.H7
- Wheel impact socket #17
- Ratchet wrench
- Brake caliper wind back tool
- Crow bar
- Tap wrench
- Wheel chock

Buy tools

AUTODOC recommends:

- Perform the replacement of brake pads in complete set for each axis. This provides effective braking.
- The replacement procedure is identical for all brake pads on the same axle.
- All work should be done with the engine stopped.

CARRY OUT REPLACEMENT IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

1 Open the bonnet.

2 Unscrew the brake fluid reservoir cap.

3 Secure the wheels with chocks.

4 Loosen the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17. Use a tap wrench.



5 Raise the car.

AUTODOC recommends:

- If you are using a jack, make sure it rests on a flat surface without any unevenness.
- Be sure to additionally secure the car with jack stands.

6 Unscrew the wheel bolts.



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- To avoid injury, hold up the wheel when unscrewing the bolts.

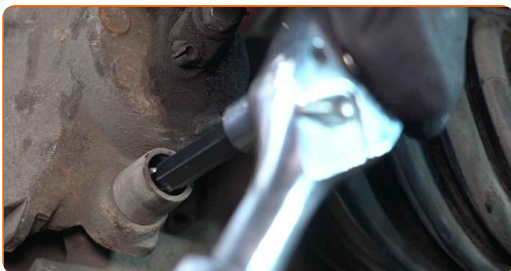
7 Remove the wheel.



8 Remove the caps from the brake caliper guide pin boots. Use a crowbar.



9 Unscrew the brake caliper fasteners. Use HEX No.H7. Use a ratchet wrench.



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Spread the brake pads. Use a crowbar.



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Remove the brake caliper.



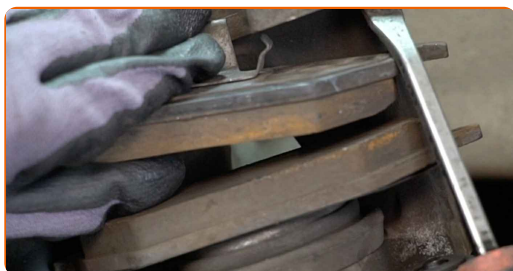
Replacement: brake pads – VW POLO (AW1, BZ1). AUTODOC experts recommend:

- Tie the caliper to the suspension or to the body with a wire without disconnecting from the brake hose to prevent depressurization of the brake system.
- Make sure that the brake caliper is not hanging on the brake hose.
- Don't press the brake pedal after the brake caliper has been removed. As a result, the piston can fall out from the brake cylinder, and brake fluid leakage and depressurization of the system may occur.

12 Clean the brake caliper bracket of dirt and dust. Use a wire brush. Use a brake cleaner.



13 Remove the brake pads. Use a crowbar.



AUTODOC recommends:

- Measure the brake disc thickness. Upon reaching the wear limit the part must be replaced.
- Check the brake caliper bracket, brake caliper guide pins and boots. Clean them. Replace, if necessary.

14 Treat the brake caliper piston. Use a nylon cleaning brush. Use a brake cleaner.



15 Press in the brake caliper piston. Use brake caliper wind back tool.



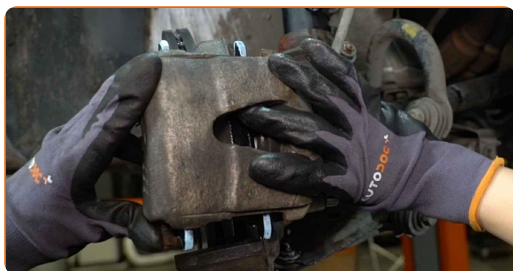
16 Treat the brake pads in the area where their surface comes into contact with the brake caliper bracket. Use anti-squeal paste.



17 Install new brake pads.



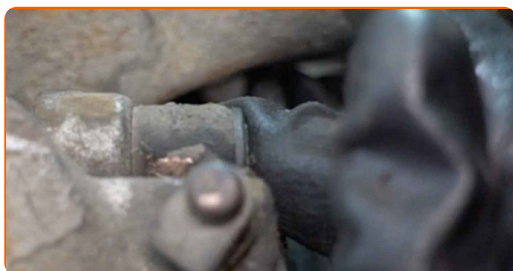
18 Install the brake caliper and fasten it. Use HEX No.H7. Use a ratchet wrench.



19 Tighten the brake caliper fasteners. Use HEX No.H7. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 28 Nm torque.

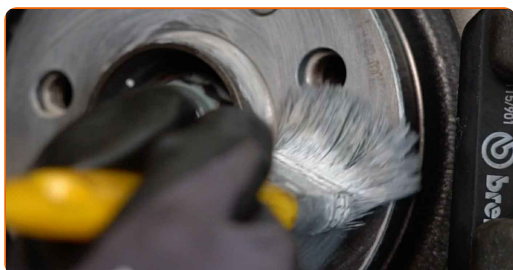


20 Install the caps on the brake caliper guide pin boots.



21 Clean the wheel rim mounting seat. Use a wire brush.

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



23 Clean the brake disk surface. Use a brake cleaner.



24 Install the wheel.



Replacement: brake pads – VW POLO (AW1, BZ1). Tip from AUTODOC:

- To avoid injury, hold up the wheel when screwing in the fastening bolts.

25 Screw in the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17. Use a ratchet wrench.



26 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 120 Nm torque.



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Remove the jacks and chocks.



AUTODOC recommends:

- VW POLO (AW1, BZ1) – Without starting the engine, press the brake pedal several times until it feels firm.
- Check the brake fluid level in the expansion tank and top up if necessary.

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Tighten the brake fluid reservoir cap.

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Close the bonnet.

Replacement: brake pads – VW POLO (AW1, BZ1). Tip from AUTODOC experts:

- Slow down smoothly for first 150-200 km after the brake pads replacement. Avoid unnecessary and sharp braking to a stop.

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