



How to change rear
brake discs on **BMW X5**
E53 – replacement guide

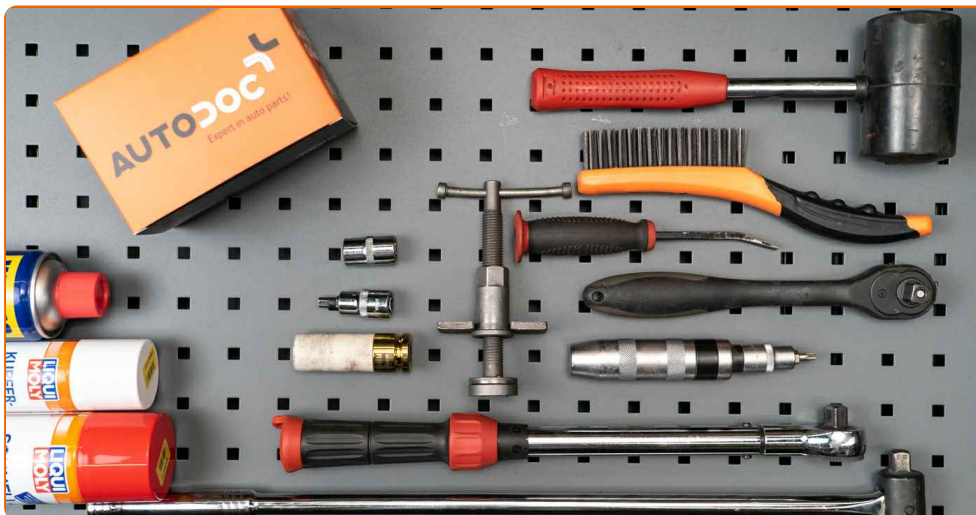
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** Important!**

This replacement procedure can be used for:
BMW X5 (E53) 4.4 i, BMW X5 (E53) 3.0 d, BMW X5 (E53) 3.0 i

The steps may slightly vary depending on the car design.

REPLACEMENT: BRAKE DISCS – BMW X5 E53. LIST OF THE TOOLS YOU'LL NEED:



- Wire brush
- WD-40 spray
- Brake cleaner
- Copper grease
- Drive socket # 16
- HEX bit no.H7.
- Torx bit T30
- Wheel impact socket #19
- Ratchet wrench
- Torque wrench
- Brake caliper wind back tool
- Impact screwdriver
- Tap wrench
- Rubber mallet
- Crow bar
- Wheel chock

BUY TOOLS

Replacement: brake discs – BMW X5 E53. AUTODOC experts recommend:

- Replace the brake discs on the car BMW X5 E53 in complete set for each axis. Regardless of the state of components. This will ensure even braking.
- The replacement procedure is identical for both brake disks on the same axle.
- When changing the brake discs, always replace the brake pads.
- All work should be done with the engine stopped.

REPLACEMENT: BRAKE DISCS – BMW X5 E53. RECOMMENDED SEQUENCE OF STEPS:

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Open the bonnet.

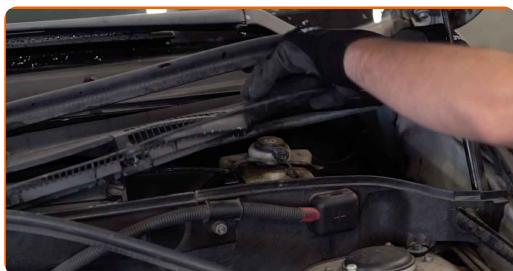


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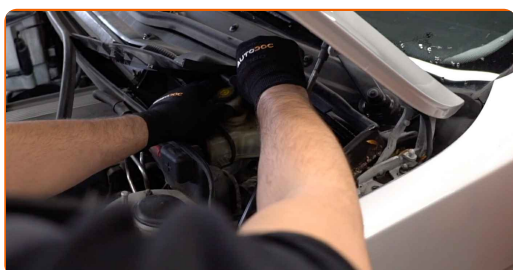
Remove the rubber strip.



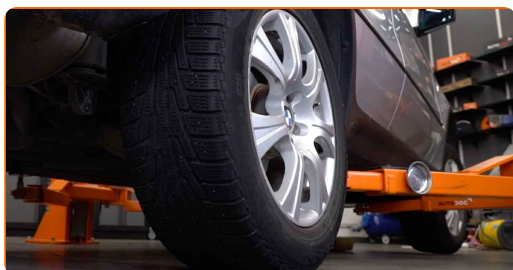
3 Remove the protective cover.



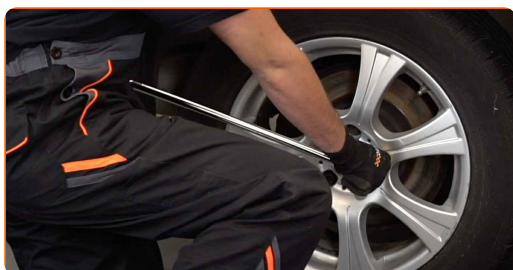
4 Unscrew the brake fluid reservoir cap.



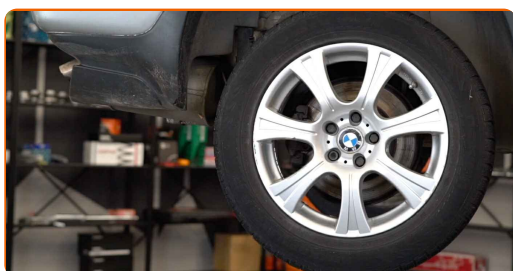
5 Secure the wheels with chocks.



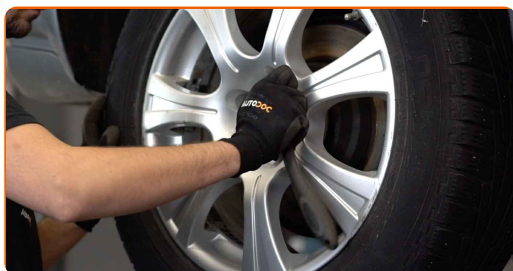
6 Loosen the wheel mounting bolts. Use wheel impact socket #19.



7 Raise the rear of the car and secure on supports.



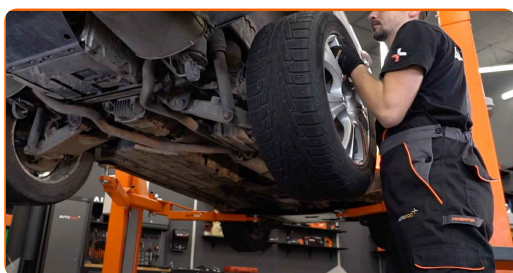
8 Unscrew the wheel bolts.



Replacement: brake discs – BMW X5 E53. Tip:

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

9 Remove the wheel.



10 Spread the brake pads. Use a crowbar.



11 Remove the dust boot caps of the brake caliper guide pins. Use a crowbar.



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



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Detach the brake caliper retaining spring. Use a crowbar. Remove the brake caliper.



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- 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.

14 Remove the brake pads. Use a crowbar.



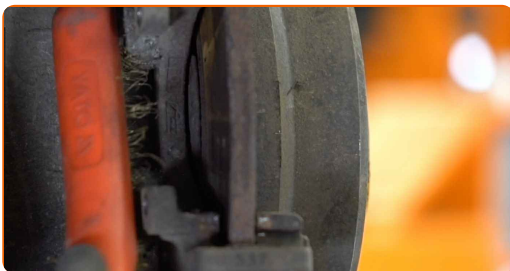
15 Remove the connector of the brake pad wear sensor. Use a crowbar.



Please note!

- Some cars are not equipped with the brake pad wear sensor.

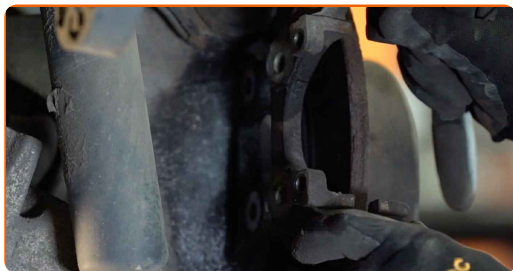
16 Clean the brake caliper bracket fasteners. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



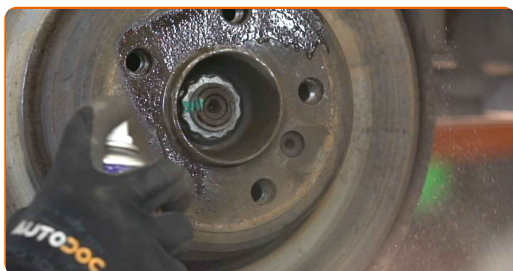
17 Unscrew the caliper bracket fastening. Use a drive socket #16. Use a tap wrench. Use a ratchet wrench.



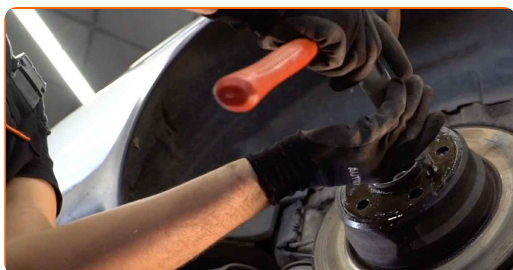
18 Remove the caliper bracket.



19 Clean the brake disk surface. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



20 Unscrew the brake disc fastening. Use Torx T30. Use an impact screwdriver.



Replacement: brake discs – BMW X5 E53. Tip from AUTODOC:

- If necessary, use a rubber mallet.

21 Remove the brake disc.



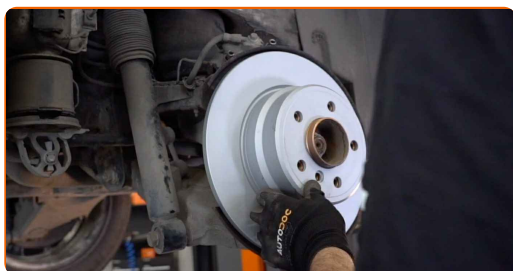
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Clean the hub. Use a wire brush. Treat the contacting surface. Use copper grease.



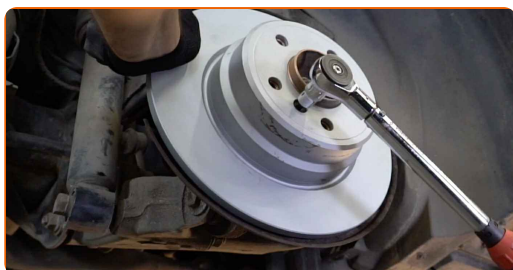
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Install the brake disc.



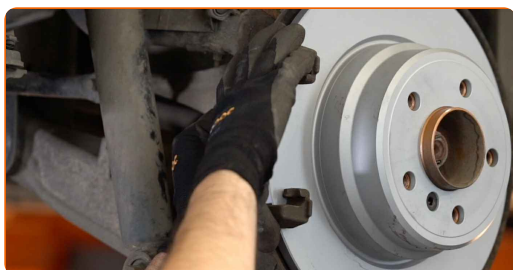
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Tighten the brake disc fastening. Use Torx T30. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 16 Nm torque.

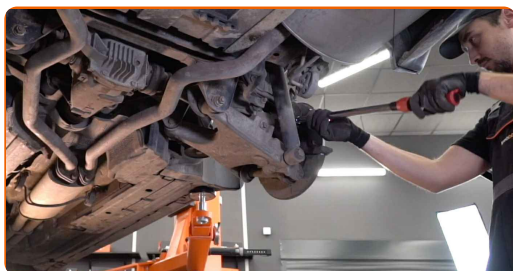


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Install the brake caliper bracket.



26 Tighten the brake caliper bracket. Use a drive socket #16. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 110 Nm torque.



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



28 Install the brake pads.



Replacement: brake discs – BMW X5 E53. Tip from AUTODOC experts:

- If going to use the old brake pads, clean them.

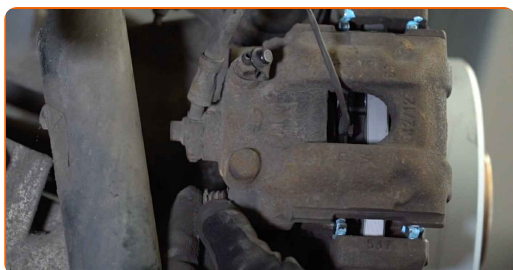
29 Connect the brake pad wear sensor plug.



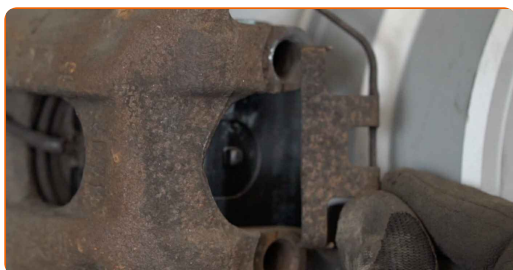
30 Install the brake caliper and fix it. Use HEX No.H7. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 30 Nm torque.



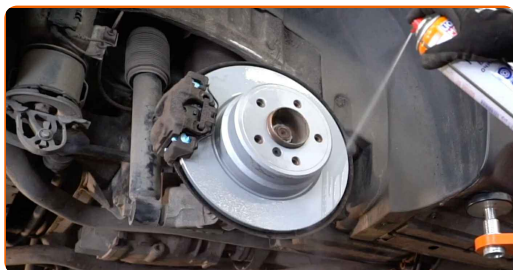
31 Install the dust boot caps of the brake caliper guide pins.



32 Install the brake caliper retaining spring.



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

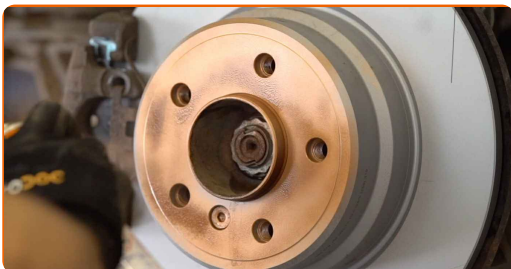


AUTODOC recommends:

- After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.

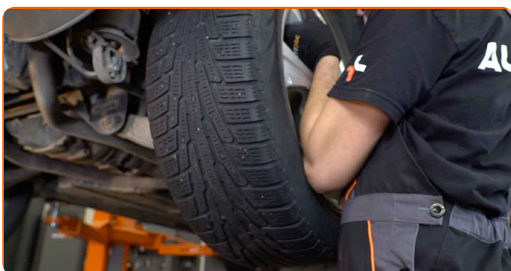
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Treat the surface where the brake disc contacts the wheel rim. Use copper grease.



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Install the wheel.



Replacement: brake discs – BMW X5 E53. AUTODOC experts recommend:

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

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



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



AUTODOC recommends:

- BMW X5 E53 – Press the brake pedal several times with the engine shut down until you feel the resistance built up.

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Remove the jacks and chocks.



Replacement: brake discs – BMW X5 E53. Tip from AUTODOC experts:

- Check the brake fluid level in the expansion tank and refill if necessary.

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Tighten the brake fluid reservoir cap.



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Install the protective cover.



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Install the rubber strip.



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Close the hood.



WELL DONE! 

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