

How to change front anti roll bar bushes on **BMW 3 Compact (E46)** – replacement guide





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

## (i) Important!

This replacement procedure can be used for:

BMW 3 Compact (E46) 316ti 1.8, BMW 3 Compact (E46) 325ti 2.5, BMW 3 Compact (E46) 318ti 2.0, BMW 3 Compact (E46) 320td 2.0, BMW 3 Compact (E46) 316ti 1.6

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: BMW 3 Convertible (E46) 318Ci 2.0

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# REPLACEMENT: ANTI ROLL BAR BUSHES – BMW 3 COMPACT (E46). LIST OF THE TOOLS YOU'LL NEED:



- Wire brush
- WD-40 spray
- Copper grease
- Drive socket # 16
- Wheel impact socket #17

- Ratchet wrench
- Torque wrench
- Phillips screwdriver
- Wheel chock

**Buy tools** 

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# Replacement: anti roll bar bushes – BMW 3 Compact (E46). AUTODOC recommends:

- Both stabilizer bushes should be replaced simultaneously.
- The replacement procedure is identical for the right and left stabilizer bushes.
- All work should be done with the engine stopped.

# REPLACEMENT: ANTI ROLL BAR BUSHES – BMW 3 COMPACT (E46). RECOMMENDED SEQUENCE OF STEPS:

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Secure the wheels with chocks.



Loosen the wheel mounting bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17.



Raise the front of the car and secure on supports.

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4 Unscrew the wheel bolts.



## Replacement: anti roll bar bushes – BMW 3 Compact (E46). Tip:

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



Unscrew the fasteners of the lower sound insulation. Use a Phillips screwdriver.



Remove the lower sound insulation.



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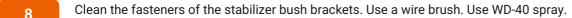


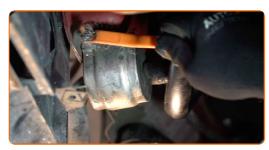




#### Please note!

• Some cars are not equipped with the lower sound insulation.





Unscrew the fasteners of the stabilizer bush brackets. Use a drive socket #16. Use a ratchet wrench.



10 Remove the stabilizer bush brackets.



Remove the stabilizer bushes.

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12 Install the new stabilizer bushes.



Clean the mounting seats of the stabilizer bushes. Use WD-40 spray.



14 Install the stabilizer bush brackets.



Screw the fasteners of the stabilizer bush brackets. Use a drive socket #16. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 28 nm torque.



Install the lower sound insulation.

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Screw in the fasteners of the lower sound insulation. Use a Phillips screwdriver.



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



19 Install the wheel.

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### **AUTODOC** recommends:

- Important! Hold the wheel while screwing in the fastening bolts. BMW 3 Compact (E46)
- Screw in the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17.



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Lower the car and working in a cross order, tighten the wheel bolts. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 120 Nm torque.



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Remove the jacks and chocks.







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