

How to change front anti roll bar links on **BMW 3 Coupe (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 Coupe (E46) 323Ci 2.5, BMW 3 Coupe (E46) 328Ci 2.8, BMW 3 Coupe (E46) 320Ci 2.0, BMW 3 Coupe (E46) 318Ci 1.9, BMW 3 Coupe (E46) M3, BMW 3 Coupe (E46) 320Ci 2.2, BMW 3 Coupe (E46) 325Ci 2.5, BMW 3 Coupe (E46) 316Ci 1.6, BMW 3 Coupe (E46) 318Ci 2.0, BMW 3 Coupe (E46) 330Cd 3.0, BMW 3 Coupe (E46) 320Cd 2.0, BMW 3 Coupe (E46) 330Ci 3.0

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 Touring (E46) 330d 3.0

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## REPLACEMENT: ANTI ROLL BAR LINKS – BMW 3 COUPE (E46). TOOLS YOU'LL NEED:



- Wire brush
- WD-40 spray
- Copper grease
- Combination spanner #17
- Drive socket # 17
- HEX bit no.H7

- Wheel impact socket #17
- Ratchet wrench
- Torque wrench
- Fender cover
- Wheel chock

**Buy tools** 

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#### **AUTODOC** recommends:

- Replace the stabiliser links on BMW 3 Coupe (E46) in pairs.
- The replacement procedure is identical for both stabiliser links on the same axle.
- Warning! Shut down the engine before starting any work BMW 3 Coupe (E46).

## **CARRY OUT REPLACEMENT IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:**

- Open the hood.
- Use a fender protection cover to prevent damaging paintwork and plastic parts of the car.
- 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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6 Unscrew the wheel bolts.



## AUTODOC recommends:

• Important! Hold the wheel while unscrewing the fastening bolts. BMW 3 Coupe (E46)

Remove the wheel.



8.1 Clean the stabiliser link fasteners.



8.2 Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



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Unscrew the fastener connecting the stabilizer link to the shock strut. Use HEX No.H7. Use a combination spanner #17. Use a ratchet wrench.



Unscrew the fastener connecting the stabilizer link to the stabilizer bar. Use HEX No.H7. Use a combination spanner #17. Use a ratchet wrench.



11 Remove the stabilizer rod.

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Install a new rod, tighten the fasteners.



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Tighten the fastener connecting the stabilizer link to the shock strut. Use a drive socket #17. Use a combination spanner #17. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 55 Nm torque.



Tighten the fastener connecting the stabilizer link to the stabilizer bar. Use a drive socket #17. Use a combination spanner #17. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 55 Nm torque.



15.1 Treat all joints of the stabiliser link.



15.2 Use copper grease.



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Clean the wheel rim mounting seat. Use a wire brush. Treat the contacting surface. Use copper grease.



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Install the wheel.



#### **AUTODOC** recommends:

• Warning! To avoid injury, hold the wheel while screwing in the fastening bolts on the car. BMW 3 Coupe (E46)

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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 wheel impact socket #17. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 120 Nm torque.



Remove the jacks and chocks.



- Remove the fender protection cover.
- Close the hood.



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