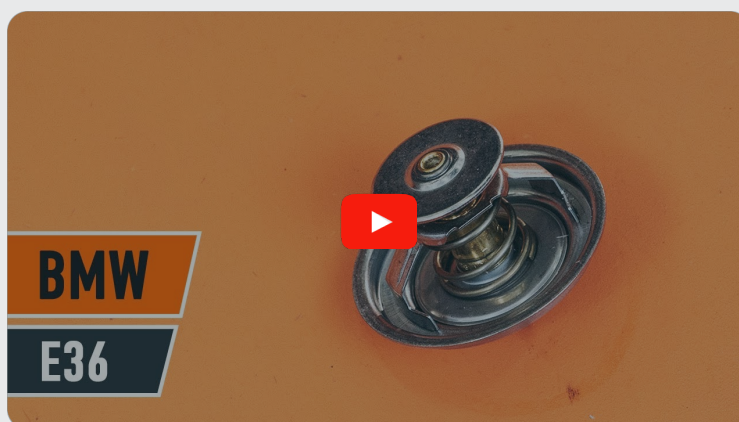


SIMILAR VIDEO TUTORIAL



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

Important!

This replacement procedure can be used for:

BMW 3 Convertible (E36) 320i 2.0, BMW 3 Convertible (E36) 325i 2.5, BMW 3 Convertible (E36) 328i 2.8, BMW 3 Convertible (E36) 323i 2.5

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 Saloon (E36) 323i 2.5

REPLACEMENT: ENGINE THERMOSTAT – BMW 3 CONVERTIBLE (E36). AUTODOC RECOMMENDS:



- All-purpose cleaning spray
- Sealant
- Torque wrench
- Drive socket # 7
- Drive socket # 10
- Drive socket # 13
- Ratchet wrench
- Clip removal tool
- Seal scraper
- Flat screwdriver
- Funnel
- Fluid container
- Fender cover

Buy tools

Replacement: engine thermostat – BMW 3 Convertible (E36). Tip from AUTODOC:

- Check the condition of the coolant every time you replace the thermostat. Change the coolant if necessary.
- Please note: all work on the car – BMW 3 Convertible (E36) – should be done with the engine switched off.

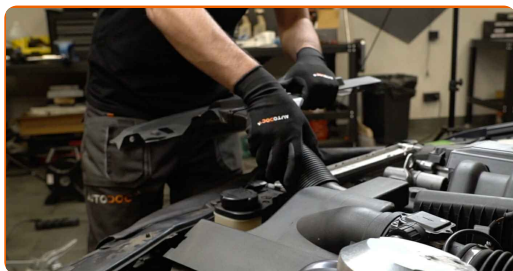
CARRY OUT REPLACEMENT IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

1 Open the hood.

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

3 Remove the fasteners of the air duct housing. Use a clip removal tool.

4 Remove the air distribution housing assembly.



5 Unscrew the coolant reservoir cap.



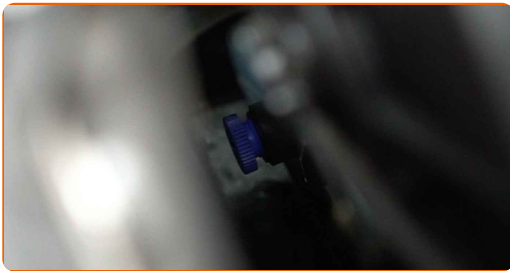
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Prepare a container for fluids.



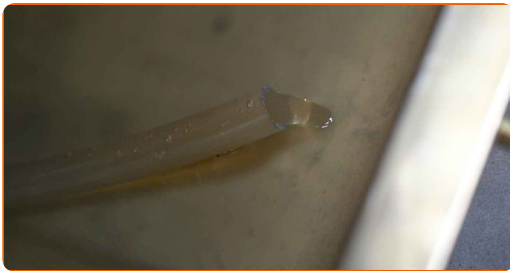
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Open the coolant drain tap.



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Drain the coolant from the engine.



Replacement: engine thermostat – BMW 3 Convertible (E36). AUTODOC experts recommend:

- Caution! The coolant can be very hot.
- Wear gloves to prevent contact with hot liquid.
- All work should be done with the engine stopped.
- Wait until the coolant has completely flowed out of the drain hole.

9 Close the coolant drain tap.



10 Loosen the clamps of the coolant hoses. Use a drive socket #7. Use a ratchet wrench.



11 Detach the coolant hose.



12 Loosen the coolant hose clamp. Use a drive socket #7. Use a ratchet wrench.



13 Detach the coolant hose.



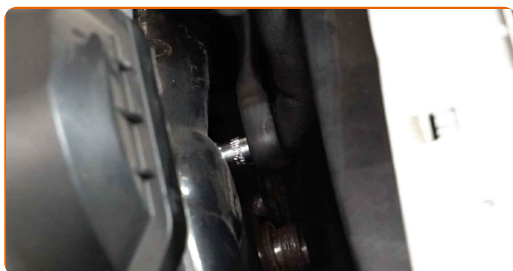
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Detach the coolant pipe bracket. Use a drive socket #13. Use a ratchet wrench.



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Unscrew the thermostat housing fasteners. Use a drive socket #10. Use a ratchet wrench.



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Clean the thermostat housing fasteners. Use all-purpose cleaning spray.



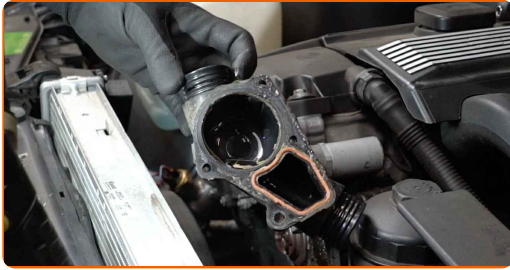
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Unscrew the thermostat housing fasteners. Use a drive socket #10. Use a ratchet wrench.



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Remove the thermostat housing.



AUTODOC recommends:

- Replacement: engine thermostat – BMW 3 Convertible (E36). To avoid damaging the part when removing it, do not use excessive force.
- Caution! Coolant may leak out of the coolant lines and thermostat housing.

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Remove the thermostat.

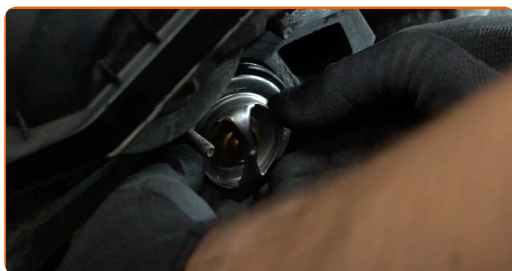


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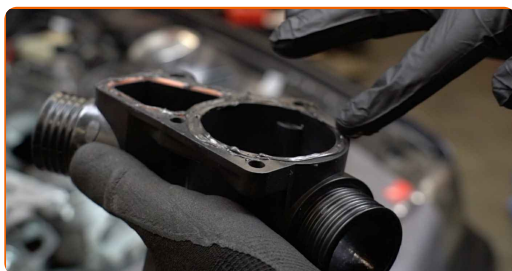
Clean the thermostat housing mounting seat. Use a flat screwdriver. Use a seal scraper. Use all-purpose cleaning spray.



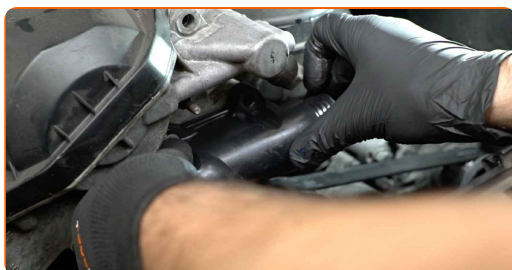
21 Install a new thermostat.



22 Treat the thermostat housing mounting seat. Use a sealant.



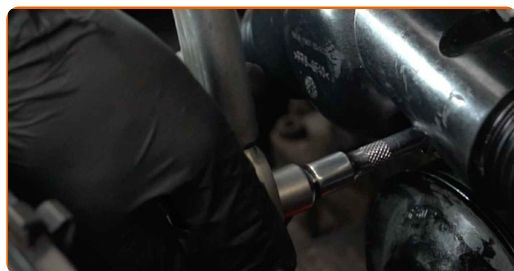
23 Install the new thermostat housing.



AUTODOC recommends:

- Replacement: engine thermostat – BMW 3 Convertible (E36). Do not use excessive force during installation. This may damage the part.

- 24** Tighten the thermostat housing fasteners. Use a drive socket #10. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 7 nm torque.



- 25** Attach the coolant pipe bracket. Use a drive socket #13. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 11 nm torque.

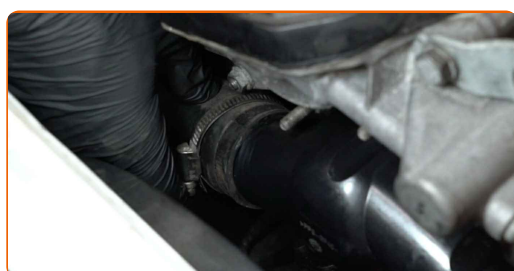


- 26** Tighten the thermostat housing fasteners. Use a drive socket #10. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 7 nm torque.

- 27** Clean the thermostat housing fasteners. Use all-purpose cleaning spray.

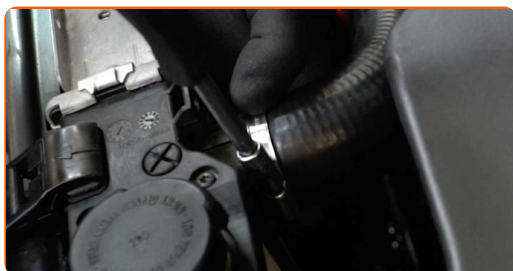


- 28** Connect the coolant hoses to the thermostat housing.



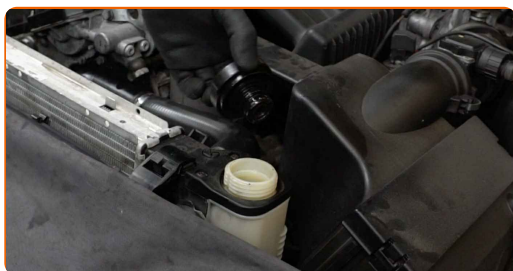
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Fasten the clamps of the coolant hoses. Use a drive socket #7. Use a ratchet wrench.



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Remove the coolant reservoir cap.



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Insert the funnel.



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Pour coolant in the coolant reservoir.

