

5 BASIC DO-IT-YOURSELF CAR MAINTENANCE



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1. CHANGE THE ENGINE OIL AND FILTER

You should change your oil every 3,000 to 7,500 miles or every 3 months, depending on how far you drive.

Time to complete: 30 to 45 Minutes

Tools you need: Oil filter wrench, ratchet, oil pan, funnel, socket wrench, rags, safety goggles, latex gloves, 4-6 quarts of oil (check owner's manual for type), car jack, drain pan, and jack stands

2. REPLACING SPARK PLUG

Standard copper plugs need to be replaced every 30,000 miles and other spark plugs can last for up to 100,000 miles. Check your owner's manual to see if your vehicle is any different. Also, you need to clean your spark plugs occasionally.

Time to Complete: 30-60 minutes

Tools you need : Spark Plug Socket, socket wrench, 12-inch socket extension, swivel socket and ratchet, clean rags, and compressed air.



3. REPLACING AIR FILTER

Usually, you need to change the air filter for your vehicle every 12 months or every 12,000 whichever comes first.

Time to Complete: 10- 15 Minutes

Tools you need: New air filter, spare rags, screwdrivers, adjustable wrench, and pliers

4. REPLACING WINDSHIELD WIPER BLADES

It's time to get a new one when you notice your wiper blades streaking and scraping, skipping, and splitting when you use them and if they noticeably worn or bent.

Time to Complete: 15 Minutes

Tools you need: New Wiper Blades



5. REPLACING A HEADLIGHT/TAILLIGHT BULB

When you notice a bulb burns out, change it.

Time to Complete: 10-15 Minutes

Tools you need: Wrench or screwdriver and don't forget to check the owner's manual for the bulb size and wattage.

Important Note: When working under a vehicle, make sure the vehicle is safely secure on jack stands. Always check your owner's manual when doing DIY car maintenance and consult reliable sources for step-by-step procedures. If you encounter any complications, make sure to consult with a professional.

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