



1995-2002 Toyota 4Runner Front Brake Pad Replacement

If you are experiencing poor braking...

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INTRODUCTION

If you are experiencing poor braking performance or a noise when braking, then it may be time to replace the front brakes.

Follow this video tutorial by YouTuber [Steve Conant](#) to complete the replacement yourself.

Safety

If this is your first time working on a vehicle read our [safety tips](#) before proceeding.



TOOLS:

- Hydraulic Floor Jack (1)
- Jack Stands (1)
- Wheel Chocks (1)
- 3/8" Breaker Bar (1)
- Torque Wrench (1)
- 3/8" Drive Ratchet (1)
- 21mm Socket (1)
- 17mm Socket (1)
- 10mm Socket (1)
- 10mm Flare Nut Wrench (1)
- Large Needle Nose Pliers (1)
- Pin Punch (1)
- 6-in-1 Screwdriver (1)
- Mallet (1)
- 6 Inch C-Clamp (1)
- Pry Bar (1)
- Anti-Seize Lubricant (1)
- Penetrating Lubricant (1)
- Wire Coat Hanger (1)



PARTS:

- Front Brake Pads (2)
- Brake Rotor (2)

Step 1 — Front Brake Pad



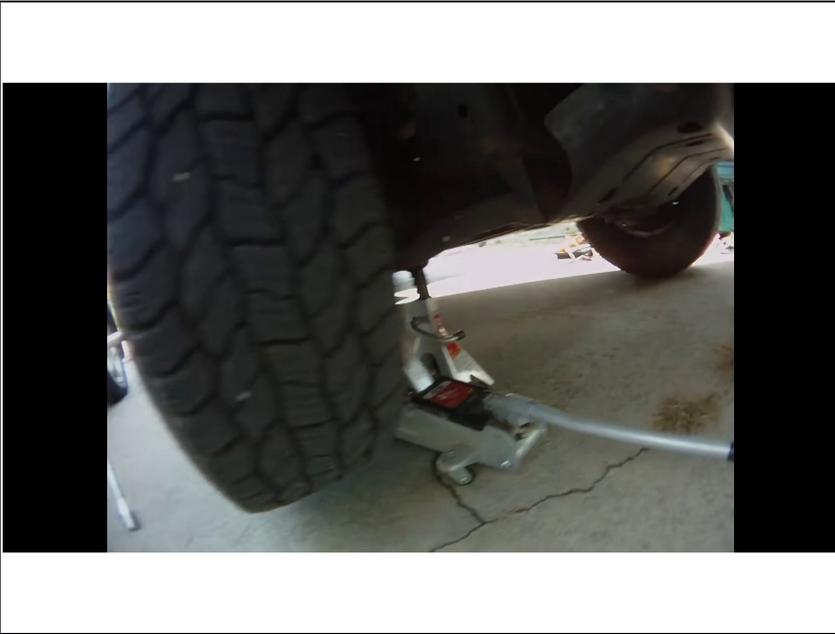
- [Loosen all six](#) lug nuts on the passenger side wheel before jacking up the vehicle .

Step 2



- [Use a floor](#) jack to lift up the passenger side of the vehicle at the jacking point recommended by the manufacturer, right underneath the front suspension .

Step 3



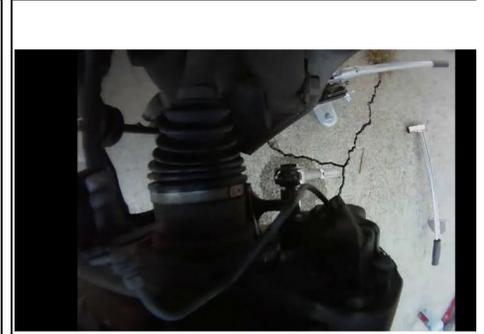
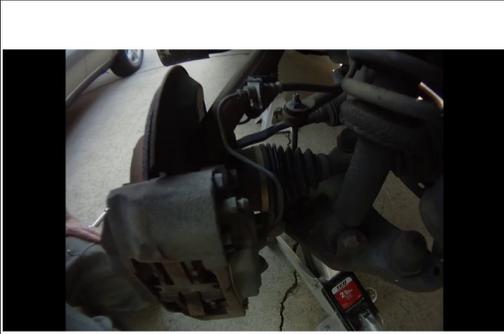
- [Place jack stands](#) next to the jacking point and another one as a safeguard back on the frame .

Step 4



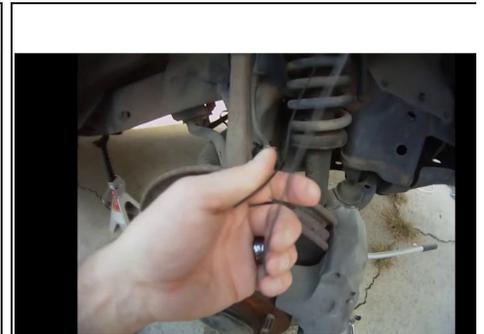
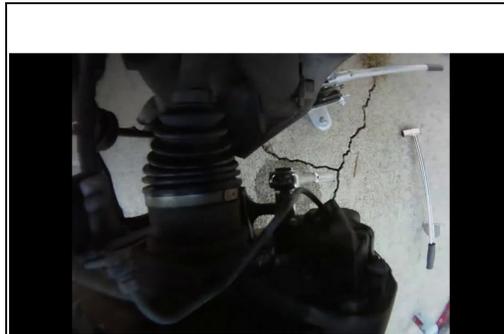
- [Remove the wheel,](#) exposing the brake caliper and rotor .

Step 5



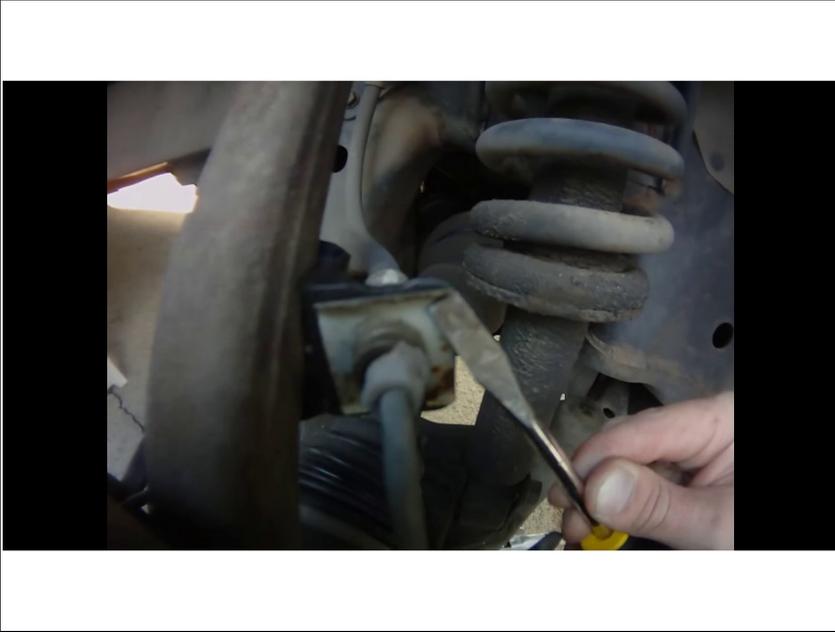
- Spray Liquid Wrench or WD-40 on the two 17mm bolts holding the brake caliper in place
- [These bolts are](#) located behind the caliper .

Step 6



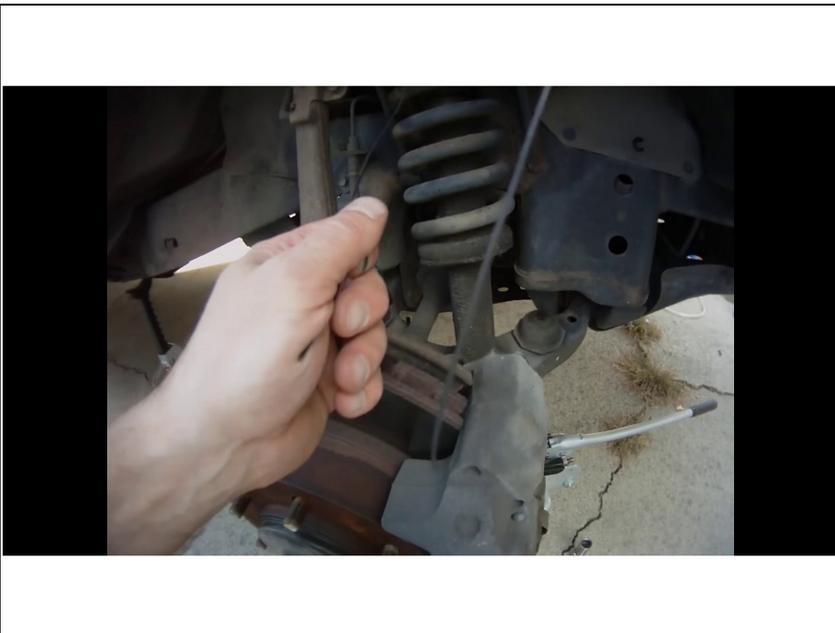
- [Use a torque](#) wrench to break the 17mm bolts free, then switch to a socket wrench to remove them completely .

Step 7



- [Pop the clip](#) that holds the hard brake line to the soft brake line out using a hammer and flathead screwdriver .

Step 8



- [Use bailing wire](#) to hang the brake caliper out of the way, ensuring it is not hanging on the brake line .

Step 9



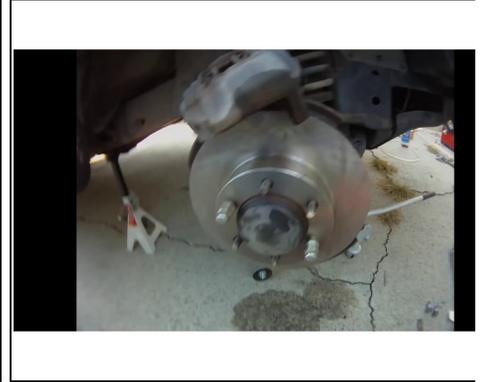
- Remove the old rotor
- [If it is](#) stuck, use a dead blow hammer to knock it loose .

Step 10



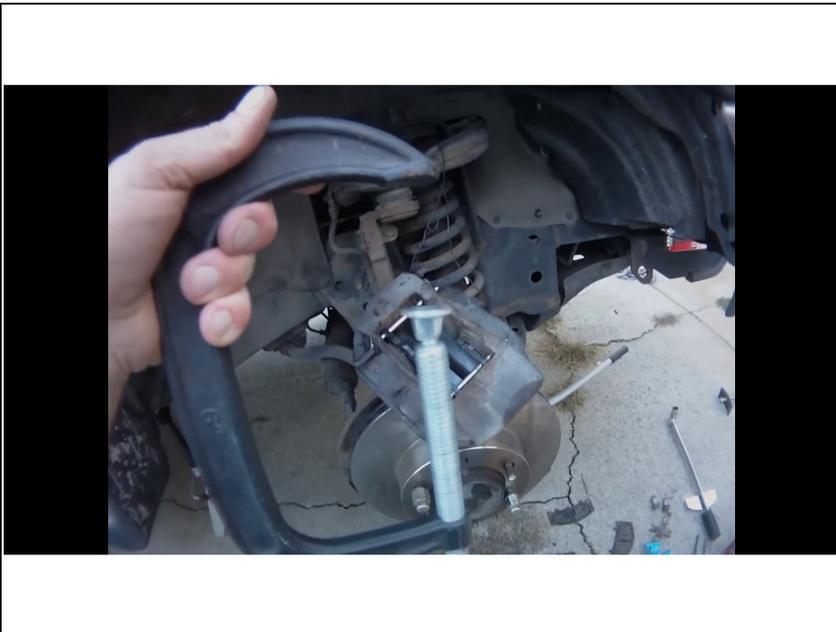
- [Install the new](#) rotor and secure it in place using two lug nuts to align it correctly .

Step 11



- [Remove the pins](#) holding the old brake pads in place and take out the old pads .

Step 12



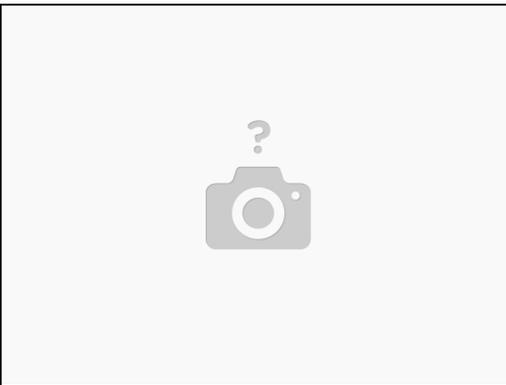
- [Compress the calipers](#) using a C-clamp and the old brake pads .

Step 13



- [Install the new](#) brake pads and grease the new pins before sliding them into place .

Step 14



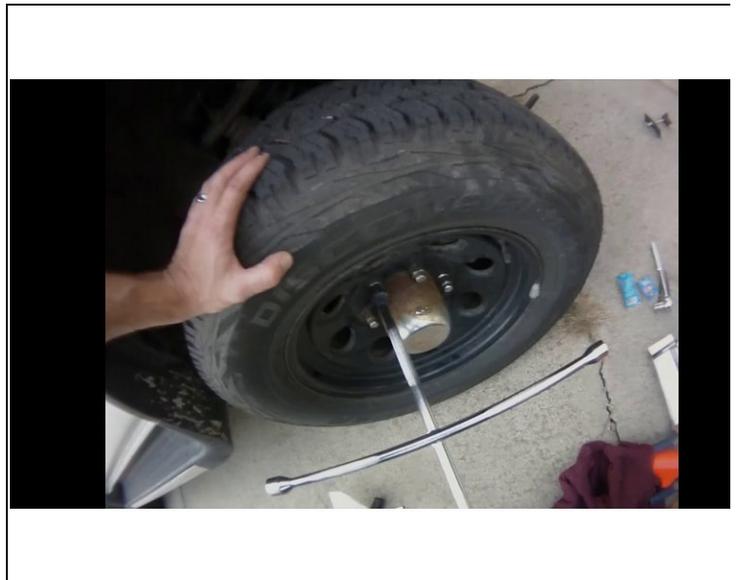
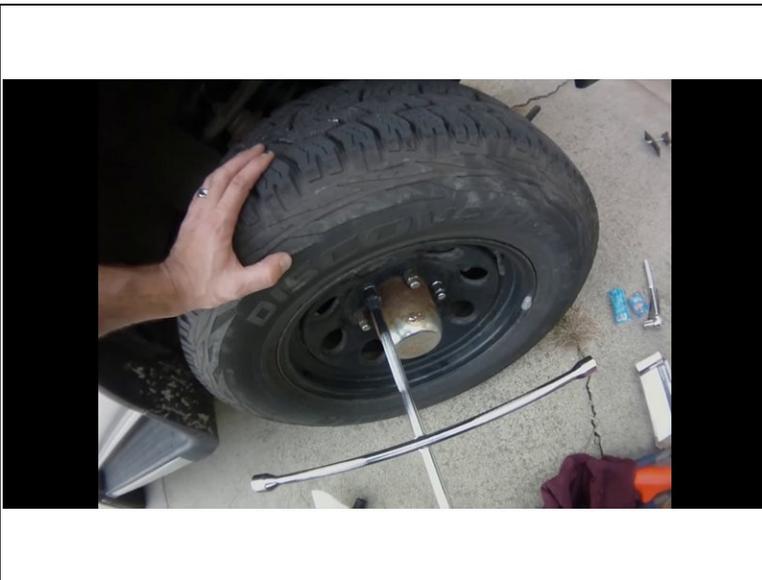
- [Reinstall the brake](#) caliper and secure it with the two 17mm bolts .

Step 15



- [Reinstall the clip](#) that holds the brake line in place.

Step 16



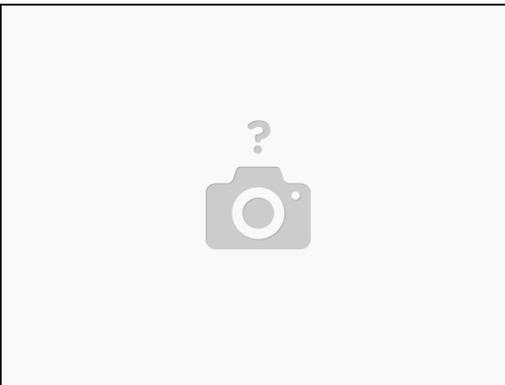
- [Remove the two](#) lug nuts used to align the rotor and put the wheel back on .

Step 17



- [Tighten the lug](#) nuts before lowering the vehicle back onto the ground .

Step 18



- [Once the vehicle](#) is on the ground, further tighten the lug nuts to ensure they are secure .

To reassemble your device, follow these instructions in reverse order.