# Rear brake pads, removing and installing

#### NOTE -

If re-using brake pads, mark pad position before removing. Reinstall brake pads in their original position to prevent uneven braking.

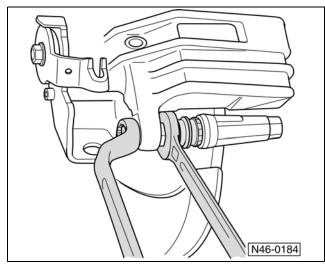
 Raise car and support with jack stands or lift. See 0 Maintenance for proper lifting procedure.

#### WARNING -

Observe all warnings and cautions associated with lifting vehicle in **0 Maintenance.** 

- Remove rear wheels.
- Remove retaining clip (1) for parking brake cable. Press brake lever (2) downward and unhook parking brake cable (3) from lever (2).



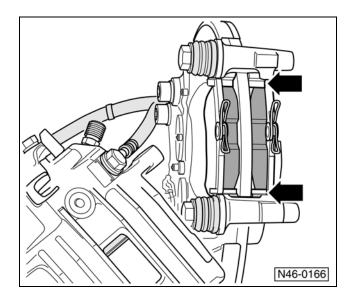


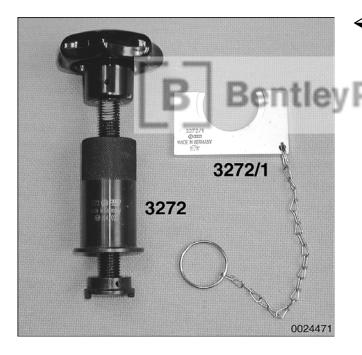
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Remove bolts from brake caliper housing while counterholding guide pins. Remove brake caliper and hang up with wire.

#### WARNING -

- Do not allow caliper to hang by the brake hose. The unsupported weight can stretch and damage the hose.
- Do not disconnect the brake hose from the caliper when removing brake pads.





- Remove brake pads and pad retaining springs (arrows).
- Clean brake caliper housing, especially bonding surface for brake pad. Bonding surfaces must be free of adhesive and grease residues.
- Before installing new pads:
  - Remove protective foil from adhesive on pad backing plate if equipped.
  - Extract some of the brake fluid from the brake fluid reservoir.

#### WARNING —

Brake fluid is poisonous. Never siphon brake fluid by mouth.

#### NOTE —

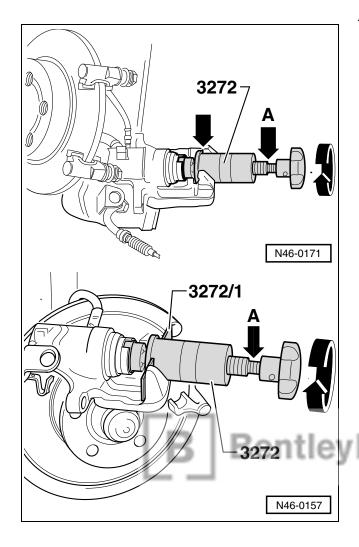
- A full brake fluid reservoir may allow brake fluid to flow out and cause damage when pistons are pushed back.
- Use a bleeder bottle or plastic bottle which is used only for brake fluid.

Rear brake caliper piston *must* be pushed in while simultaneously being turned. Use of a dual purpose tool such as Volkswagen special tool 3272 is highly recommended. Some larger calipers will require an adapter plate 3272/1, to bridge the span of the caliper frame.

## NOTE —

A newer version of tool 3272 has been released under the number T10165. This new tool supersedes 3272 and can be used on vehicles covered by this manual.

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Reset caliper's automatic adjustment mechanism using Volkswagen special tool 3272 or equivalent by turning piston clockwise (**rotational arrow**) while pushing in. An open-ended 13 mm wrench can be used on flats (**A**) if necessary. It may also be necessary to use adapter plate 3272/1 if caliper frame is too large (see lower illustration at left).

#### WARNING -

- If the piston is not reset correctly, or if the brake pedal is operated with the caliper removed, the automatic adjustment mechanism will be destroyed.
- Always remove some brake fluid from the reservoir before resetting and pushing the caliper piston in. When the piston is pushed in, fluid is forced up into the reservoir.
- Insert brake pads and brake pad retaining springs into brake carrier.
- Install brake caliper housing with new self-locking bolts.

**WARNING** — Always replace the self-locking caliper mounting bolts with the ones in the repair kit.

Tightening torque

- Brake caliper to brake carrier . . . . . 35 Nm (26 ft-lb)
- Connect parking brake cable to lever on caliper and install retaining clip.
- Adjust parking brake if necessary, see Parking brake, adjusting given later.

#### NOTE —

Operate the foot brake first after adjusting the parking brake.

- Install rear wheels and lower vehicle.
- Depress brake pedal firmly several times to seat brake pads to brake disc. Check brake fluid level and add as necessary.
- Repeat for the brakes on the other side of the vehicle as required.





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