2019-2024 Audi Q3 - Engine Air Filter Replacement

2019-2024 Audi Q3 | Easy | 10-20 minutes | $20 DIY

TOOLS

Screwdriver or socket (if housing uses screws) Rag or shop vacuum Gloves T25 Torx Bit

PARTS

Engine air filter $20.00

STEPS

1. **Prep and locate the air box - Park on level ground, brake set, ignition off. Pop the hood** and find the box - front of the engine bay, snorkel to the grille. Let a hot engine cool first. No tools needed - the box is clip-held.
2. **Open the air filter housing - Back out the roughly six T25 Torx screws around the** perimeter of the airbox lid - don’t fully remove screws that feel captive, and keep loose ones in a tray. Then work the lid back and upward; the intake piping attached to it flexes enou...
3. **Remove the old filter and clean - Lift the old filter out. Wipe the box interior with a** clean rag and check the drain hole for blockages. Compare old and new side by side for identical size and pleat count.
4. **Install the new filter - Take the new filter and match its small tabs at the bottom to** the tab holders in the airbox, rotating it clockwise until it seats, then click the large front tab into place - it should sit flush and level with no rocking. Press around th...
5. **Reseal and verify - Confirm every clip is shut - a loose lid lets unfiltered air into the** Q3’s turbo. Close the hood, start the engine, and idle a minute listening for intake whistles. Audi’s interval: roughly every 30,000 miles.

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