2019-2024 BMW M5 - Cabin Air Filter Replacement

2019-2024 BMW M5 | Easy | 25 minutes | $28 DIY

TOOLS

Torx driver set (T15/T20) Headlamp
Towel or moving blanket for the door sill
Vacuum with crevice tool (optional)

PARTS

Cabin air filters (pair) for 2019-2024 BMW M5; verify arrows, size, and VIN/trim fitment $28.00

STEPS

1. **Confirm the F90 setup and park the car - Covers the 2019-2024 BMW M5 (F90) - base,** Competition, CS: two charcoal panel microfilters under the passenger-side footwell, beside the blower motor; no cowl filter under the hood. Budget 25 minutes. Park level, ignition off, key out...
2. **Make room in the passenger footwell - Move the passenger seat all the way back and** recline it slightly. Lay a towel across the door sill. Headlamp on - you'll be on your back, head in the footwell, looking up under the glove box.
3. **Remove the footwell trim panel - Rotate the two thumb screws 90 degrees to release the** panel. Pull the front edge down to free the rear guide hooks. Disconnect the footwell-light wiring plug and unclip its wire retainer. Leave the fuse box alone.
4. **Remove the filter-housing lid - Undo the two Torx bolts (T15/T20) and pull the drain tube** off the white filter-housing lid. Swap the filters WITHOUT releasing the lid's rear-left tabs - drop the lid on its front edge instead; those tabs are the hardest to reseat.
5. **Pull the old filters and photograph their orientation - Slide both filters down and out.** They're airflow-specific and can sit mirrored, so photograph them seated in the housing first. Verify old and new pairs match in size and thickness. Vacuum the empty housing and check the foam sealing edges.
6. **Install the new pair and close the housing - Bow each new filter past the housing lip,** matching your photo's orientation. Press each filter home and refit the drain tube. Engage the rear-left tabs FIRST, then swing the lid up and snug the two Torx bolts by feel - snug is tight enou...
7. **Reinstall the trim and test every mode - Reconnect the footwell-light plug, engage the** rear guide hooks, and swing the panel up until thumb screws lock. Test every mode: fan low to max, fresh air and recirculation, heat and A/C, dash and defrost - strong airflow, no whistling.

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