2019-2024 BMW X5 - Engine Air Filter Replacement

2019-2024 BMW X5 | Easy | 10-20 minutes | $20 DIY

TOOLS

Screwdriver or socket (if housing uses screws) Rag or shop vacuum Gloves Torx Driver Set

PARTS

Engine air filter (x2 on V8 models) $20.00

STEPS

1. **Prep and count the filters - Park on level ground, brake set, engine off and cool. The** xDrive40i (3.0L turbo six) takes a single panel filter; the V8 xDrive50i/M50i takes two, one per bank - count filters before buying. The xDrive45e hybrid uses the single-filter la...
2. **Open the air filter housing - Back out the lid screws - they stay captive. Lift the lid** straight and steady, never rocking it. If a clamp or brace blocks the lid, loosen it and lift the cover just enough to work.
3. **Remove the old filter and clean - Lift the filter out - both filters on V8 models -** noting the orientation, and confirm the new ones match. Vacuum the housing and wipe the sealing lip, keeping grit out of the intake.
4. **Install the new filter - Seat the new filter with the rubber seal in the groove, matching** the old orientation, and press it flat - no force needed. A crooked filter stops the lid sealing and can set a check-engine light.
5. **Reseal and verify - Lower the lid and snug the screws evenly - firm is enough in plastic.** Retighten any hose clamp you loosened, then start the engine and listen for whistling. If it persists, a shop smoke test will pinpoint the leak.

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