2010-2016 Buick LaCrosse - Engine Oil & Filter

2010-2016 Buick LaCrosse | Moderate | 30-60 minutes | $57 DIY

TOOLS

Floor jack or ramps and rated jack stands if needed Oil-drain pan, funnel, gloves, and eye protection Socket or wrench for the drain plug and oil-filter tool
Calibrated torque wrench and shop towels
15mm Socket 24mm Socket

PARTS

Engine Oil (5W-30) $45.00
Correct engine oil filter and drain-plug washer for 2010-2016 Buick LaCrosse $12.00

STEPS

1. **Confirm oil specification and make the vehicle safe - 3.6L V6: 6.0 quarts full-synthetic** 5W-30 with the filter changed. Correct filter, 7-quart pan, funnel, gloves, 15mm socket, filter wrench (plus 24mm for 2010-2011 caps). Park level; brake set; rear wheels chocked; front on stands or ramps.
2. **Warm briefly and protect the work area - Idle 2-3 minutes to warm the oil; shut off** before the exhaust gets scalding. Pop the hood; twist off the filler cap; lift the dipstick slightly to vent. Slide the pan under the oil pan; spread cardboard under work area.
3. **Drain the used oil and replace the filter - Crack drain plug (15mm fits most); spin it** out by hand. 2010-2011 LLT: cartridge (ACDelco PF2129) under a 24mm cap - swap the element, O-ring lightly oiled. 2012-2016 LFX: spin-on (ACDelco PF63) - confirm the old gasket came away.
4. **Install the correct oil quantity - Set a funnel in the Buick LaCrosse’s filler neck and** pour in 6.0 quarts of full-synthetic 5W-30. Pour slowly and watch the markings as you go - it is easier to add a final half-quart than to drain an overfill.
5. **Check level, leaks, and service reminder - Idle a full minute watching for leaks; shut** off; wait two minutes. Dipstick: wipe, reseat, read - top up if below full. Reset the oil-life monitor. Pour the used oil into a sealed container; recycle at any auto-parts store.

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