1995-2001 Chevrolet Lumina - Engine Oil & Filter

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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

PARTS

Engine Oil (5W-30) $45.00
Correct engine oil filter and drain-plug washer for 1995-2001 Chevrolet Lumina $12.00

STEPS

1. **Confirm oil specification and make the vehicle safe - 3.1L V6: 4.5 quarts 5W-30 with a** new filter (Z34 3.4L DOHC: ~5.5 quarts - verify in your manual). Buy 5W-30, spin-on filter (ACDelco PF47; larger PF52 fits), new washer. On a car this age check plug and pan threads first.
2. **Warm briefly and protect the work area - Idle 2-3 minutes, shut off. The filter is at the** FRONT underneath - find it with a flashlight before positioning the pan. Wide pan under the oil pan, cardboard beneath. Filler cap off.
3. **Drain the used oil and replace the filter - Loosen the plug; finish by hand, pushing** inward so it doesn't drop in the pan. Drain to an occasional drip. NEW washer, 18 ft-lbs - use the torque wrench. Spin off the old front filter upright.
4. **Install the correct oil quantity - Pour 4 quarts 5W-30 to start. Wait a minute; add the** final half-quart to reach 4.5. Refit the cap; lower to level. Wipe spills from the engine front so fresh drips stand out.
5. **Check level, leaks, and service reminder - Wait 2-3 minutes; dipstick twice - full mark,** never above. Start, idle 30-60 seconds; oil light out, check under for drips. Off, wait two minutes, confirm. Log date and mileage - 3,000-to-5,000-mile intervals suit a 3.1L this age.

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