2011-2017 Chrysler 200 - Battery Replacement

2011-2017 Chrysler 200 | Easy | 45-75 minutes | $140 DIY

TOOLS

Floor jack Jack stands Lug wrench 10mm socket or wrench Metric wrench set (hold-down bracket bolts vary) Trim removal tool or flathead screwdriver Wire brush or terminal cleaner Dielectric grease or battery terminal spray Safety glasses Mechanic’s gloves

PARTS

Correct group-size battery $140.00
Terminal cleaner $8.00
Terminal protectant $7.00

STEPS

1. **Identify your generation’s battery location first - Park level, brake set, ignition off.** On 2011-2014 models the battery is inside the driver-side front wheel well, behind the fender liner. On 2015-2017 it’s ahead of the wheel well, reached the same way. If you don’t see it, stop and ch...
2. **Jack up the car and peel back the fender liner - Break the driver-side lug nuts loose** with the car on the ground, then jack that corner at the lift point and set it on a jack stand. Remove the wheel, pop the splash shield’s push pins with a trim tool, and peel the liner back.
3. **Disconnect the negative cable first - Fit a 10mm wrench or socket on the negative (black)** clamp and loosen it counterclockwise. Wiggle the cable off the post and tuck it where it can’t touch metal. Keep strokes short in the tight wheel well. Negative off first, always.
4. **Free the positive cable, bracket, and vent hose - Loosen the positive (red) clamp and** slide the cable off its post. Unbolt the hold-down bracket, keeping the hardware safe. Pull the vent hose free if fitted, noting its routing. Lift the battery out with both hands, keeping it level.
5. **Clean the pocket and the cable clamps - Brush out the battery pocket - wheel-well** batteries collect grit and moisture behind the liner. Scrub both cable clamps with a wire brush until bright metal shows. Compare the new battery’s post positions with the old one before installi...
6. **Install the new battery and reconnect the cables - Lower the new battery in the same** orientation and push the vent hose onto its port if fitted. Refit the hold-down and snug its bolts. Connect positive first, then negative; tug each clamp to confirm it’s seated. Coat both terminals with di...
7. **Shut it off, then reassemble the wheel well - Then shut it off, press the splash shield** back into place with its push pins, remount the wheel, and torque the lug nuts in a star pattern. Lower the car and re-torque the lugs.

TORQUE

Battery hold-down 11 Nm 8 ft-lbs

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