2008-2014 Dodge Avenger - Engine Air Filter

2008-2014 Dodge Avenger | Easy | 5-10 minutes | $35 DIY

TOOLS
Flat-head screwdriver (only for stubborn clips) Damp rag or shop vacuum for the housing Work gloves (optional)

PARTS
Engine air filter for 2008-2014 Dodge Avenger; verify engine, housing shape, and VIN fitment $35.00

STEPS

1. **Find the driver’s-side airbox - Driver’s side, next to the intake hose: rectangular black** airbox in front of the engine, fed by a short duct. Location never moved across 2008-2014 or any engine (2.4L, 2.7L, 3.5L, 3.6L) - procedure is identical.
2. **Flip the lid clips open by hand - Flip the lid’s metal clips open by hand - they swing** outward, staying attached. Brittle with age: work a resisting clip gently with a flat-head, never yank - a snapped tab ruins the seal forever. Note the duct position on 2011+ cars be...
3. **Remove the cover and pull the old panel - Lift the cover up and aside; pull the old** filter straight out. Note how its rubber edge sat in the housing channel - the new one must match. Dark gray/black grit-packed pleats = airflow was already suffering (hesitation, lost mpg).
4. **Clear debris from the housing - Sweep leaves and sand from the lower housing by hand** (2008-2010 snorkels sit low and collect plenty); wipe the floor with a damp rag. Check the intake duct for cracks - a split duct feeds the engine hot dirty air past the filter.
5. **Seat the new filter in its channel - Seat the new filter with its rubber edge flat in the** channel - finger-check the whole perimeter. Crooked filter = lid won’t square up, unfiltered air enters. Never oil paper elements or reuse blow-outs; both restrict breathing.
6. **Refit the lid and latch every clip - Lid down square, clips shut - listen for each snap.** Rock the lid: movement = missed clip. Unlatched corners whistle at idle and pass dust. A clip that won’t hold means the lid needs replacing, not tape.
7. **Start the engine and check for leaks - Start and listen - new sucking/whistling = clip** missed; reseat the lid. Short drive: clean throttle response, settled idle. Peek under the lid at every oil change - thirty seconds catches a clogged filter early, especially in dust or s...

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