

2001-2006 Dodge Stratus | Moderate | 30-60 minutes | \$55 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

PARTS

Correct engine oil and viscosity for 2001-2006 Dodge Stratus; verify the owner-manual specification \$45.00
Correct engine oil filter and drain-plug washer for 2001-2006 Dodge Stratus \$12.00

STEPS

- 1 Confirm oil specification and make the vehicle safe - Verify the exact engine, oil viscosity, capacity, filter, and drain-plug washer for the 2001-2006 Dodge Stratus.** Park level, set the brake, chock wheels, and use ramps or rated jack stands if access requires lifting.
- 2 Warm briefly and protect the work area - Run the 2001-2006 Dodge Stratus only long enough** to make the oil flow, then switch it off and wait briefly. Remove the oil fill cap, place a drain pan, and keep oil off tires and the ground.
- 3 Drain the used oil and replace the filter - Remove the drain plug carefully, let the 2001-2006 Dodge Stratus drain fully, and replace the washer if required.** Remove the old filter, confirm its gasket came off, lightly oil the new gasket, and install it by the specified hand-tight or...
- 4 Install the correct oil quantity - Reinstall the drain plug to the exact engine-specific torque, add the specified oil through a funnel, and do not guess the capacity.** Keep the fill cap and dipstick clean.
- 5 Check level, leaks, and service reminder - Start the 2001-2006 Dodge Stratus briefly,** switch it off, wait, and recheck the level on level ground. Inspect the plug and filter for leaks, reset the service reminder only as appropriate, and record the date and mileage.

TORQUE