2016-2021 Hyundai Tucson - Air Filter Replacement

2016-2021 Hyundai Tucson | Easy | 30 minutes | $25 DIY

TOOLS

Gloves Flashlight Clean Cloth Vacuum Cleaner

PARTS

Engine Air Filter 28113-D3300 $20.00
Replacement Air Filter Box Clips 28113-2E000 $5.00

STEPS

1. **Locate the Air Filter Box - The 2016-2021 Hyundai Tucson's engine air filter is in a** rectangular plastic airbox in the engine bay, driver's side front (typical Hyundai layout). Open the hood and locate the airbox (driver's side, black plastic box with clips).
2. **Open the Air Filter Housing - Lift the lid off (or hinge it open). Don't force the clips;** they should release easily. The lid may have the intake tube attached - you can usually lift it enough without disconnecting.
3. **Remove the Old Filter - Lift the old flat panel filter out. Note the orientation (which** side faces up). The 2.0L is less sensitive, but a clean filter helps fuel economy. Check for debris in the airbox (leaves, etc.).
4. **Clean the Housing - Wipe out the airbox housing with a clean rag - remove any dust,** leaves, or debris. Don't use compressed air (it can push debris into the intake). Check the airbox seal/gasket - ensure it's intact. The MAF sensor is in the intake tube d...
5. **Install the New Filter - Place the new panel filter into the housing, matching the** orientation of the old one. The 1.6T's turbo needs a perfect seal - boost leaks hurt performance.
6. **Close and Secure - Replace the airbox lid - ensure it sits properly. Close the hood.** Start the engine - it should idle normally. The Tucson's 1.6T should feel more responsive with a clean filter (turbo spool improves). Replace every 15,000-30,000 miles,...

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