2006-2011 Lexus GS - Engine Air Filter Replacement

2006-2011 Lexus GS | Easy | 10-15 minutes | $22 DIY

TOOLS

No tools required (clip-style airbox)
Shop vacuum or damp rag (optional, for cleaning the airbox)

PARTS

Engine air filter (correct for 2006-2011 GS350) $22.00

STEPS

1. **Open the hood and find the airbox - Release the hood and prop it open on the 2006-2011** Lexus GS, parking on level ground with the engine fully off and cooled. The GS350's 3.5L V6 (2GR-FSE) draws air through a black plastic engine air filter box that sits on the driver's side...
2. **Unlatch the airbox clips - The GS airbox lid is held by several metal spring clips around** its edges - no tools are needed. Work around the lid and flip each clip outward with your fingers until the lid is free on all sides. If a clip feels stuck, reposition your f...
3. **Lift the lid and remove the old filter - Raise the airbox lid just enough to slide the** old filter out of the lower housing. Note which way the pleats faced and whether any airflow arrows printed on the frame pointed a certain direction - the replacement goes in exactly the same...
4. **Clean out the airbox - Look inside the lower half of the box for leaves, sand, insects,** and grit that slipped past the old filter - the GS box tends to collect debris in its front corners. Vacuum or wipe the interior clean so the new filter starts in a clean h...
5. **Drop in the new filter - Set the fresh filter into the lower box with the pleats oriented** exactly as the old one was, following any airflow arrows on the frame. It should sit flat with its rubber seal resting evenly on the sealing lip all the way around - a filt...
6. **Close the lid and latch every clip - Lower the lid squarely onto the filter and press** down gently so it seats evenly over the new element. Flip each metal clip back over its tab until it snaps, working around the whole lid, then tug the lid lightly to confirm it is sealed tig...

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