2005-2015 Nissan Xterra - Brake Pad Replacement

2005-2015 Nissan Xterra | Advanced | 1-3 hours | $205 DIY

TOOLS

Floor jack, rated jack stands, and wheel chocks Lug wrench and calibrated torque wrench Brake piston compressor or suitable spreader Socket set, wire brush, brake cleaner, gloves, and eye protection

PARTS

Front or rear brake pad set for 2005-2015 Nissan Xterra; verify axle, brake package, and VIN fitment $180.00

Replacement pad hardware or wear sensor only if the kit requires it $25.00

STEPS

1. **Confirm axle, parts, and brake condition - Confirm this is a FRONT-axle job on the** 2005-2015 (2nd-gen) Xterra: 296mm x 28mm vented rotors, 2-piston floating calipers; Pro-4X uses the same front hardware. Mic rotors for scoring or heat spots. Never order 2000-2004 1st-gen parts - 28...
2. **Lift and secure the vehicle - Park level, chock the rear wheels, and set the parking** brake. Raise the front at the frame rails or factory jacking points - never suspension arms - onto solid jack stands. Break the front lug nuts loose on the ground first, then remove th...
3. **Remove the caliper and old pads - Remove the mounting bolts and slide the caliper off the** bracket, hanging it by wire - never the brake hose. Pull the old pads and hardware. Retract both pistons with a C-clamp over an old pad; one-sided pressure cocks the pistons. Watch th...
4. **Install pads and hardware - Wire-brush the bracket’s pad slides and fit the new hardware.** Grease the pad-tab contact points only - never friction faces or rotor. Slide pads in with linings facing the rotor. Hand-start the mounting bolts, then torque to 33-40 ft-lb; v...
5. **Torque, pump, and bed in - Refit the wheel, lower the truck, and torque lugs to 85-105** ft-lb (confirm in your owner’s manual) in a star pattern. Pump the pedal until firm before driving. Bed the pads with moderate and harder stops from 40 mph, cooling between.

TORQUE

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