



# 1995-2002 Toyota 4Runner Front Brake Pad Replacement

If you are experiencing poor braking...

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# INTRODUCTION

If you are experiencing poor braking performance or a noise when braking, then it may be time to replace the front brakes.

Follow this video tutorial by YouTuber [Steve Conant](#) to complete the replacement yourself.

## Safety

If this is your first time working on a vehicle read our [safety tips](#) before proceeding.



### TOOLS:

[Hydraulic Floor Jack](#) (1)  
[Jack Stands](#) (1)  
[Wheel Chocks](#) (1)  
[3/8" Breaker Bar](#) (1)  
[Torque Wrench](#) (1)  
[3/8" Drive Ratchet](#) (1)  
[21mm Socket](#) (1)  
[17mm Socket](#) (1)  
[10mm Socket](#) (1)  
[10mm Flare Nut Wrench](#) (1)  
[Large Needle Nose Pliers](#) (1)  
[Pin Punch](#) (1)  
[6-in-1 Screwdriver](#) (1)  
[Mallet](#) (1)  
[6 Inch C-Clamp](#) (1)  
[Pry Bar](#) (1)  
[Anti-Seize Lubricant](#) (1)  
[Penetrating Lubricant](#) (1)  
[Wire Coat Hanger](#) (1)



### PARTS:

[Front Brake Pads](#) (2)  
[Brake Rotor](#) (2)

## Step 1 — Front Brake Pad



- [Loosen all six](#) lug nuts on the passenger side wheel before jacking up the vehicle .

## Step 2



- [Use a floor](#) jack to lift up the passenger side of the vehicle at the jacking point recommended by the manufacturer, right underneath the front suspension .

### Step 3



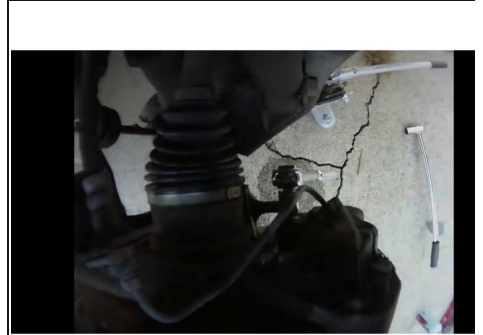
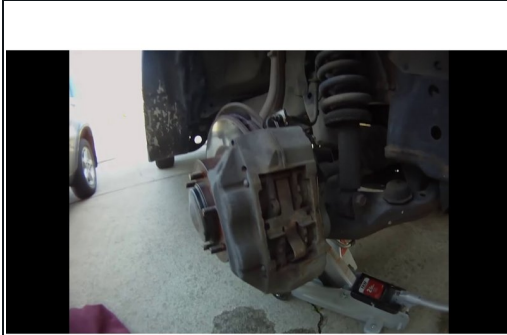
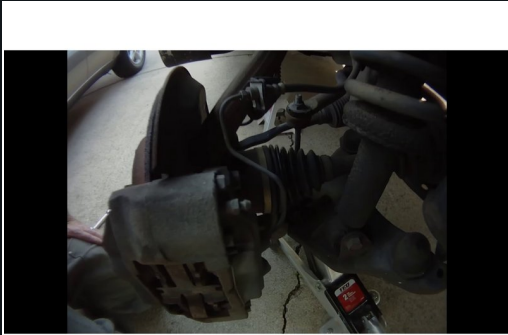
- [Place jack stands](#) next to the jacking point and another one as a safeguard back on the frame .

### Step 4



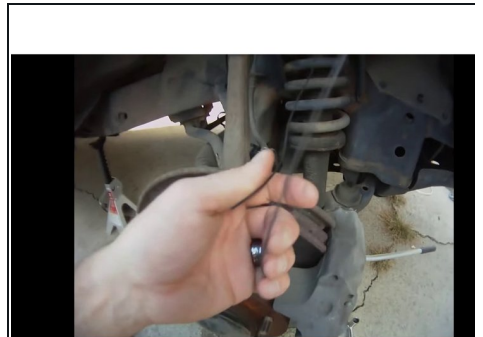
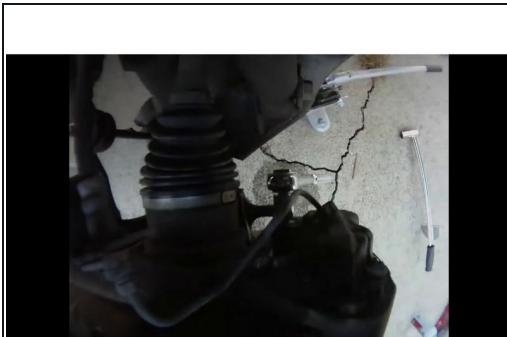
- [Remove the wheel,](#) exposing the brake caliper and rotor .

## Step 5



- Spray Liquid Wrench or WD-40 on the two 17mm bolts holding the brake caliper in place
- [These bolts are](#) located behind the caliper .

## Step 6



- [Use a torque](#) wrench to break the 17mm bolts free, then switch to a socket wrench to remove them completely .



## Step 7



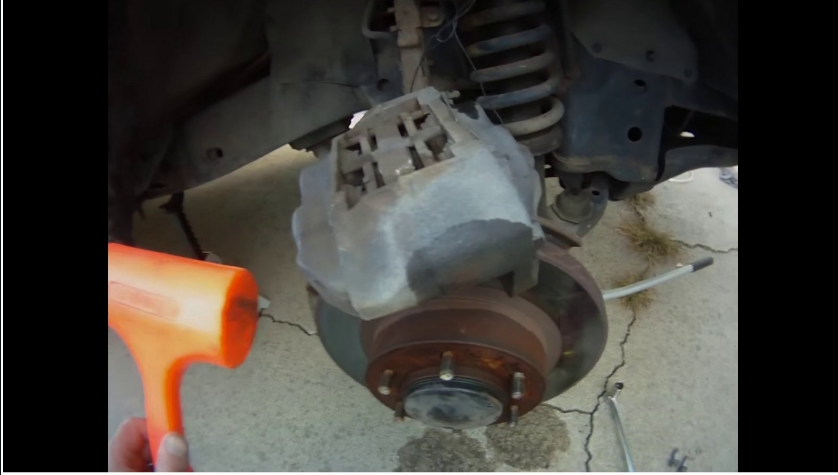
- [Pop the clip](#) that holds the hard brake line to the soft brake line out using a hammer and flathead screwdriver .

## Step 8



- [Use bailing wire](#) to hang the brake caliper out of the way, ensuring it is not hanging on the brake line .

## Step 9



- Remove the old rotor
- [If it is](#) stuck, use a dead blow hammer to knock it loose .

## Step 10



- [Install the new](#) rotor and secure it in place using two lug nuts to align it correctly .

## Step 11



- [Remove the pins](#) holding the old brake pads in place and take out the old pads .

## Step 12



- [Compress the calipers](#) using a C-clamp and the old brake pads .



## Step 13



- [Install the new](#) brake pads and grease the new pins before sliding them into place .

## Step 14



- [Reinstall the brake](#) caliper and secure it with the two 17mm bolts .

## Step 15



- [Reinstall the clip](#) that holds the brake line in place.

## Step 16



- [Remove the two](#) lug nuts used to align the rotor and put the wheel back on .

## Step 17



- [Tighten the lug](#) nuts before lowering the vehicle back onto the ground .

## Step 18



- [Once the vehicle](#) is on the ground, further tighten the lug nuts to ensure they are secure .

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To reassemble your device, follow these instructions in reverse order.