How to Replace the Headlight in a 2010-2014 Volkswagen Jetta

Use this guide to replace the low beam headlight for the 2010-2014 Volkswagen Jetta.

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INTRODUCTION

Many cars are often seen at night with only one working headlight. This is both dangerous and risky as there are laws and fines for having a burnt out headlight. This guide will help you prevent these easily avoidable accidents by teaching you how to replace the headlight bulb in your 2010-2014 Volkswagen Jetta.

Before you begin the guide, make sure your vehicle is turned off. If you turned on the vehicle earlier, the engine bay may still be hot. Let the engine cool down to room temperature before beginning this repair.

TOOLS:
- 6-in-1 Screwdriver (1)

PARTS:
- 55 W H7 Bulb (1)
Step 1 — Headlight

- Turn the ignition fully off and open the hood of your vehicle.
  - The lever to open it is on the left hand side of the pedals. It’ll make a noticeable clunk sound when pulled the first time which releases the first of the two step hood opening procedure.

- Make your way to the front of the car and push up on the lever underneath the hood to fully open the hood.

- Use the hood prop rod to hold the hood open for the duration of the repair.

Step 2

- Locate the plastic dust cover behind the burnt headlight and gently remove it. If the cover is stuck, you can use a screwdriver to pop it out.
Step 3

- Once the cover is off, twist the light harness from the fixture in a **counter clockwise** rotation.
- Pull the bulb to separate it from the connector.
- Insert the new bulb in the correct orientation as the previous, and tighten it back into the headlight by rotating it **clockwise**.

Step 4

- Reapply the dust cover and close the hood of the vehicle.
To replace the other headlight, follow the same instructions.

- Turn the ignition on and switch on the lights to test the new working headlight.