



2001-2005 Honda Civic Headlight Bulb Replacement

Replace a headlight in a 2004 Honda Civic.

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INTRODUCTION

If your headlight goes out on your 2001-2005 Honda Civic, use this guide to replace it. Fixing your headlight is relatively easy and a short process. It is important to be careful during this replacement because the new headlight bulb can be easily damaged. Before starting this guide, make sure your car is not running.



TOOLS:

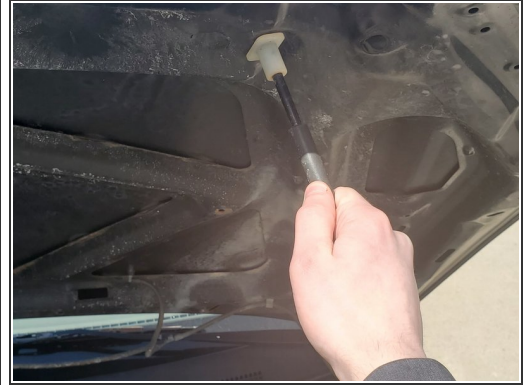
- [10mm Wrench](#) (1)
- [Latex or nitrile gloves](#) (1)



PARTS:

- [Headlight Bulb](#) (1)

Step 1 — Headlight Bulb



- Unlock your hood by pulling on the hood release located by the front of the driver side door.
- Find the release near the center of the hood and push up on it to pull up the hood.
- Prop the hood up in place. The end of the prop is found near the battery and it lays across the front of the hood.

Step 2



- i** This step is only needed if you want to replace the headlight bulb on the driver's side
- Pull up on the power steering fluid reservoir to take it out of the holder.
 - Set the reservoir to the side to make room near the headlight.

Step 3



i This step is only needed if you want to replace the headlight bulb on the passenger's side.

- Using the 10mm wrench undo the battery tie down by turning the bolt clockwise.
- Move the battery out of the way of the headlight.

Step 4



- Put on a pair of latex or nitrile gloves.
- Take hold of the headlight plug located directly behind the headlight.
- Turn the bulb a quarter turn counter-clockwise to unlock it.
- Pull out the plug.

⚠ Be careful to not break the bulb when taking out the headlight.

Step 5



- Find the release on the lower part of the headlight plug.
- Push down on the release while pulling on the base of the headlight to remove the headlight bulb.

Step 6



- Take the new headlight and plug it into the headlight plug
- ⓘ It is important that we wear the gloves and be careful with handling headlights as oils from human skin can easily damage them.

Step 7



- Reinsert the plug with the new headlight on it.
- Turn the plug a quarter turn clockwise to lock it in.
- ⓘ Gently tug the plug to make sure it is locked in place. If it isn't, redo this step.

Step 8



- If you replaced the driver side headlight, plug the power steering fluid reservoir back in its place.
- If you replaced the passenger side headlight, put the battery tie down back on by inserting the bolt and turning it counter-clockwise.