



1998-2002 Honda Accord Distributor Cap Replacement

A video tutorial on how to change the distributor cap on your 98-02 4-cylinder Honda Accord.

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INTRODUCTION

Use this guide to replace your 4-cylinder Honda Accord's distributor cap. This specific guide was created for a non-VTEC [F23A5](#) engine, but other 4-cylinder Honda engines will be similar enough to follow the same basic steps

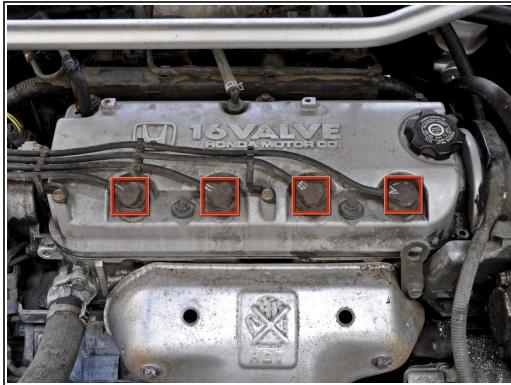
TOOLS:

- [.25" Socket Wrench](#) (1)
- [8mm Deep Socket](#) (1)
- [Probe and Pick Set](#) (1)

PARTS:

- [Honda F23A5 Distributor Cap](#) (1)

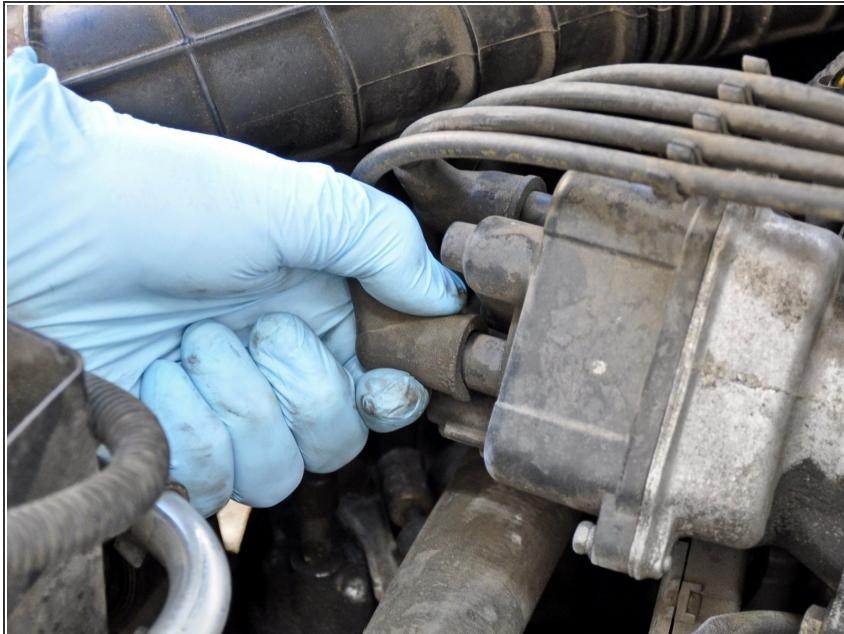
Step 1 — Distributor Cap



- Before disconnecting the spark plug wires, be sure to trace their orientation from the individual cylinders back to the distributor cap.
- The cylinders are ordered from left to right when viewing the engine from the front of the car, with cylinder #1 being closest to the passenger side of the vehicle.

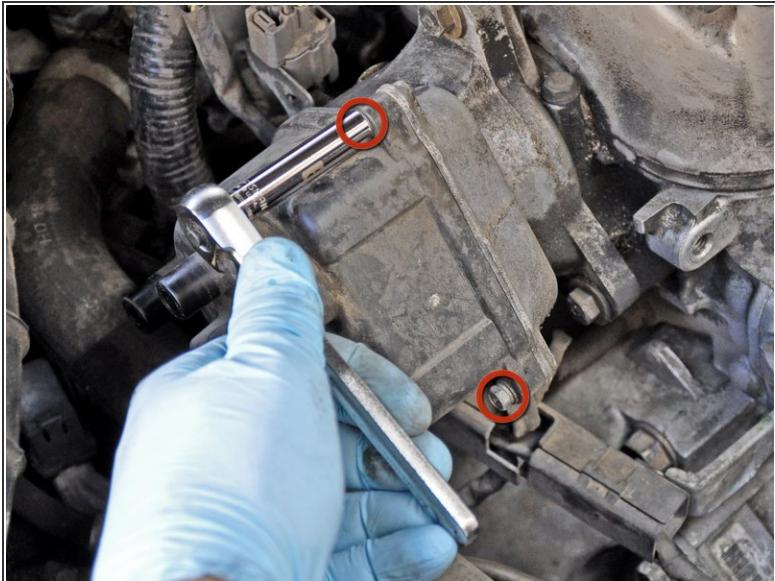
 Mark the order of the spark plug wires on the new distributor cap with a silver sharpie marker -- it will make reinstallation much easier.

Step 2



- Disconnect the four spark plug wires from the distributor cap by pulling their connectors straight away from the sockets on the distributor cap.
-  It may be helpful to slightly twist the wires as you pull them.

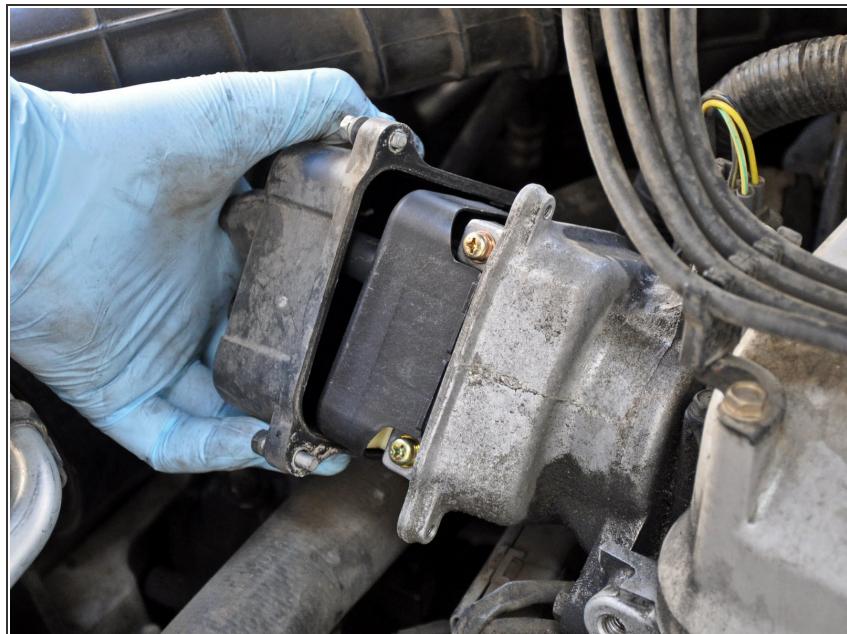
Step 3



- Use a 1/4" drive, 8 mm deep socket to remove the three hex bolts securing the distributor cap to the engine.

(i) The position of the third bolt is not visible in the second picture.

Step 4



- Pull the distributor cap away from the engine and set it aside.

Step 5



- Use a dental pick or a small screwdriver to gently remove the D-shaped o-ring around the distributor cap flange.
- Install a new o-ring in the seal recess, making sure that it is sitting flush against the flange.

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