

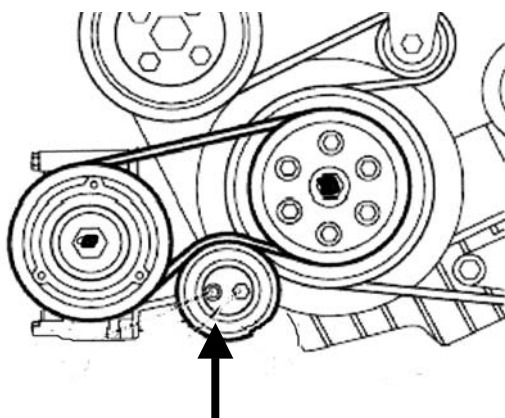


BMW 3 Series (E 36) All models with 4-cylinder petrol engine

Noises from the area of the air conditioning compressor.

If there are complaints with these vehicles in relation to the noises from the area of the air conditioning system compressor, one possible cause is the tensioner pulley for the drive belt. The ingress of dirt into the tensioner pulley leads to a noise from the area of the compressor developing in certain speed ranges. In the event of hasty diagnosis, these noises may lead to compressor damage being suspected. In order to avoid incorrect diagnoses it is essential that, with the drive belt removed, the tensioner pulley is checked for noises.

During series production, the tensioner pulley was replaced by a modified version (with rear protective cover). If the tensioner pulley is replaced, it should be ensured that the new version is used.



Tensioner pulley

Bulletin