## ALL PARTS ARE TO BE INSTALLED BY A CERTIFIED ASE TECHNICIAN



## 2003-2005 Mercedes-Benz E320 2006-2009 Mercedes-Benz E350 2003-2005 Mercedes-Benz E500 2007-2009 Mercedes-Benz E550

Front Airmatic & 4Matic Air Strut

## 126M-28-FL FR

**Installation Instructions** 



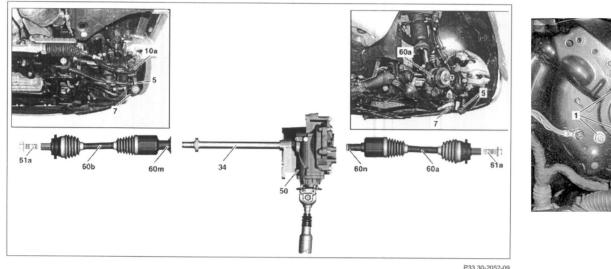
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- Steering knuckle
  Supporting joint
  Tie rod joint
  Intermediate shaft
- 50 Front axle gear60a Right front axle shaft60b Left front axle shaft

60m Plastic protection ring 60n Circlip 61a Hexagon collar bolt

- 1. Open hood.
- 2. Lift vehicle, remove wheels and detach lower engine compartment paneling.
- 3. Unscrew hexagon collar bolt (61a) on front axle shaft (60a or 60b)
- 4. Detach lower engine compartment paneling
- 5. Press supporting joint (7) out of steering knuckle (5)
- 6. Press tie rod joint (10a) out of steering knuckle (5)
- 7. Move steering knuckle (5) out of supporting joint (7)

8. Turn the back of the steering knuckle (5) outwards and then pull outwards, while moving the front axle shaft (60a or 60b) out of the front axle shaft flange

CAUTION: Do not damage boots of the front axle shaft (60a or 60b) and of the supporting joint (7).

NOTE: If necessary, to loosen the front axle shaft (60a or 60b), screw in the hexagon-collar bolt (61a) again a few threads and drive out the front axle shaft slightly using a rubber-headed hammer.

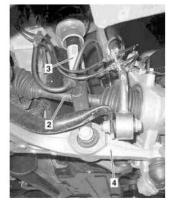
9. Press out and remove right front axle shaft (60a)



CAUTION: Do not damage the rubber boots and rpm sensor rotor. To avoid damaging the wheel bearings, the vehicle must not be moved on its wheels anymore with the front axle shaft (60a) removed.

10. Hammer out and remove left front axle shaft (60b)





Nuts Front axle shaft Spring strut Wishbone

- **11**. Remove air line fitting and disconnect electrical connection on the top of the strut.
- **12.** Remove bolt from lower strut mount.
- 13. Press transverse control arm (4) downwards and remove suspension strut.
- 14. Install in reverse order.