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# glow plugs



### Just what is a glow plug?

We are a pretty standard fare in diesel engines and are designed to act like small electric heaters.

# The spark plug has two primary functions

We glow and emit heat in the combustion chamber, warming the engine block and helping the engine to start within a few seconds. We are also known as diesel spark plugs, and we take the place of spark plugs (which are only used in petrol engines).

# What happens if you don't change us?

We live a hard life, and are subject to extreme temperature changes and high combustion pressures. Since a diesel engine may have as many as 10 of us plugs in it, one for each cylinder, you may not notice when one goes bad. But if two, three or more go bad; you will notice the engine has become very difficult to start.

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