

How to change a Bentley GT Continental Battery

The process is not that difficult but requires patience and some technical understanding in motor vehicles.

The reason I changed my battery was due to not using my Bentley as often and drove the vehicle once every 2 weeks which resulted my battery to deteriorate over time.

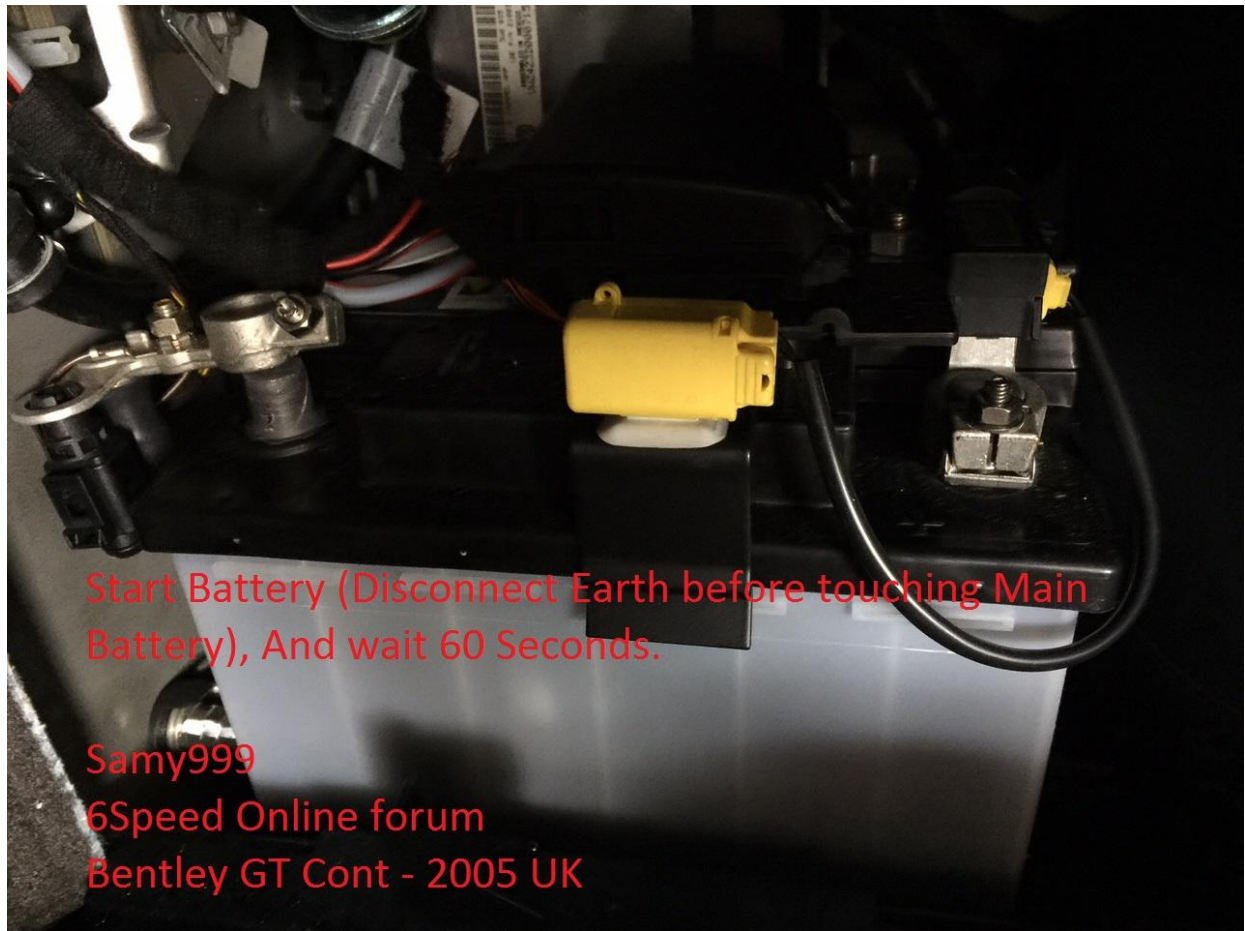
The battery I am changing is the Main Battery which is located on the left hand side of the boot compartment.

The right hand side of the boot compartment will contain the smaller starter battery which is usually used in emergency situations where you can't start your car with the main battery.

Steps:

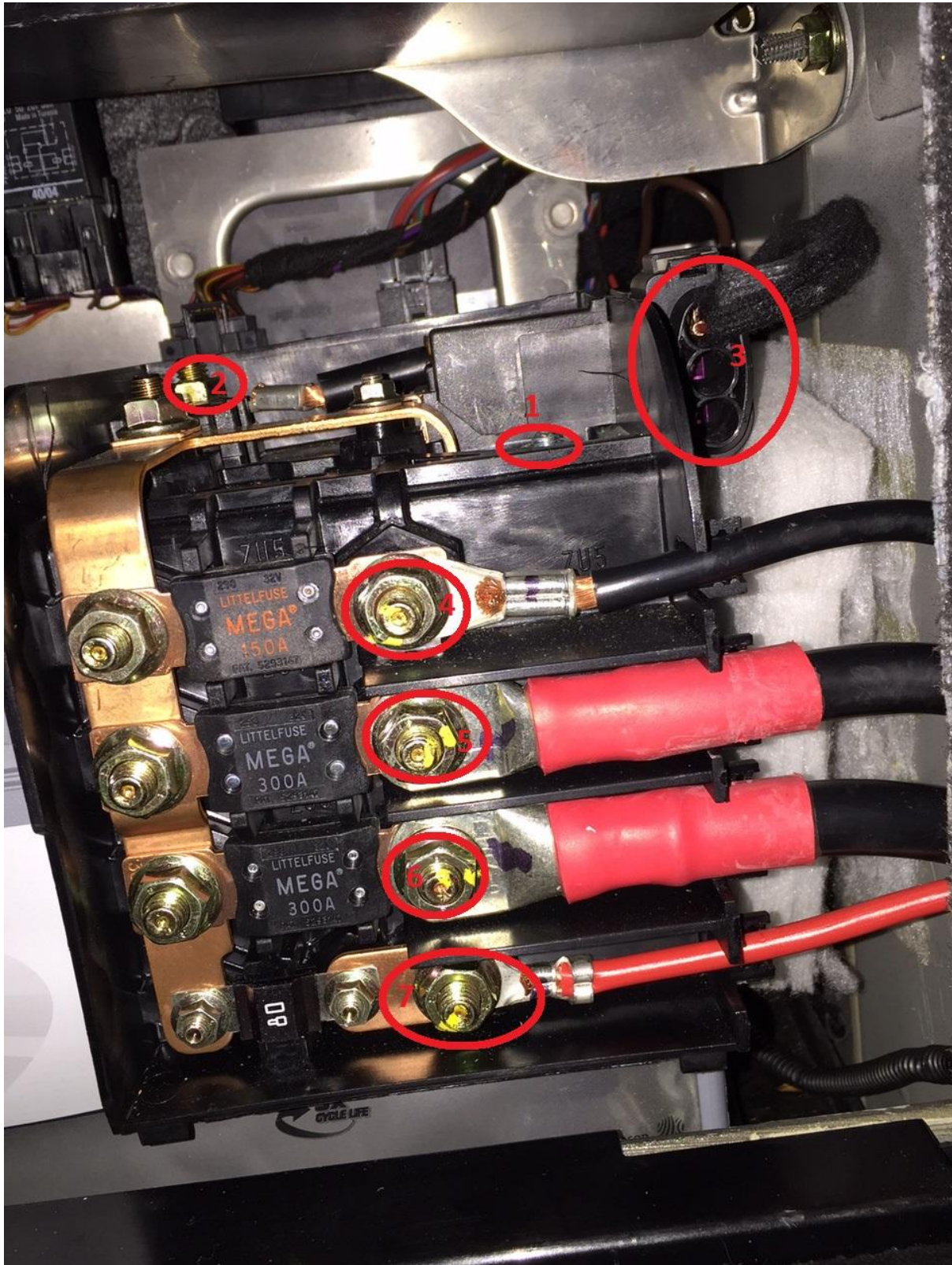
1. Check that your steering wheel is straight and all windows are up and ignition off.

2. Disconnect the earth from the starter battery located on the left hand side of the boot compartment and wait 60 seconds.



3. Then disconnect the negative side of the main battery first.

4. Disconnect the following shown in the picture below and remove this section from the positive side of the battery, the whole thing will lift up as shown in the pictures below.





You dont have
to remove fuse
box, I managed
just fine with
no headache.

Disconnect the highlighted circles.

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5. Now you should see the bare battery on its own. My battery was being held by a metal bracket on the positive side of the battery by a bolt which has to be unscrewed in order to remove the metal bracket. If your car doesn't have the bracket then ignore this step.
6. Now simply carefully remove the battery and be careful of the wires that we disconnected.
7. Inspect and clean the area if necessary and repeat the steps in reverse. Take your time and be patience. The battery does weigh a ton and you don't have much room to move around.
8. Now once your battery is installed and you have power in your car you might experience lights on the dash and windows not closing properly and air suspension, traction lights on the dash. This is quite normal, a drive around town should re-calibrate the settings

as the car resets when power is lost. Oh and don't forget to set the time & date lol.



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I purchased my Varta AGM Battery from Tayna (inclusive of 4 year warranty) for £144.50, I gave them my part number which matched the battery I purchased.

When I spoke to Bentley Servicing HR Owen Park Royal they wanted £409.55!!!

I hope this guide was technical enough for you guys to carry out the job yourself and it's purely for educational purposes and I accept no responsibility for any damage caused.

If you have any questions then check the thread here:

<http://www.6speedonline.com/forums/bentley/369233-bentley-gt-main-battery-dilemma.html>

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Many thanks,

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