

Lincoln MKZ Hybrid	2011	2014	Notes
2 volt Battery Location, Removal	5	4	2011 - Under hood. 2014 - In the left corner of the trunk under a panel.
DLC Location, OBD-II	4	5	2011 - Under a small cover but in the area of your feet. 2014 - Far to the left and uncovered.
COP/Spark Plugs	5	3.5	2011 - Easy with a pop off plastic engine cover. 2014 - Many bolts, clamps and sensor connectors to get the plastic cover off.
Service Plug location	4	5	2011 - Once the rear seats are unlatched and folded it is easy. 2014 - Flip the left rear seat upright down. Easy.
Fuses/Relays	4	4	2011 - Under hood and dash. 2014 - Under hood and dash
PCM Location	3	5	2011 - Under hood near brake master cylinder. Hard to access. 2014 - Right shock tower under hood. Easy access.
Fuel Filter	3	3	2011 - In tank. To replace you must replace the fuel pump. 2014 - In tank.
PCV Valve	2	2	2011 - Located behind the water pump on block. Called oil separator. 2014 - Located in oil separator assembly. Hard to access on purpose.
Oil Filter, Bolt, Refill	4	4	2014 - Spin-on filter, 5-20 oil
eCVT Transmission Service	4	4	2011 - Ford says "Lifetime Fluid." Uses Mercon LV used in many Ford transmissions. Change often. 2014 - Same as 2011 but a smaller unit. User Mercon LV fluid.
Overall Accessibility Under Hood	4	4.5	2011 - Not bad for a hybrid to service. Preventive maintenance is easy. 2014 - Ford (Lincoln) did make it better and it was pretty good at the start.

Editor's note: Ratings are from 1 to 5, with 5 = Best and 1 = Worst.