



**Audi**

**AUDI DEALER COMMUNICATION – USA ONLY**

**MANDATORY STOP-SALE NOTICE**

**Advance Notice – Safety Recall 74D5 / Passenger Occupant Detection System (PODS)**

**This notice is for:**

- ✓ Dealer Principal
- ✓ General Manager
- ✓ Sales Managers

- ✓ Service Manager
- ✓ Parts Manager
- ✓ Service Advisor

- ✓ Warranty Administrator
- ✓ Technicians

**Date:** June 11, 2018

**Issue:** The Passenger Occupant Detection System (PODS) control module can malfunction due to stress/wear factors affecting an internal connector or contact resistance increase at body-sensing mat in the seat.

Should a malfunction occur, vehicle occupants will be alerted of a PODS system problem by illumination of the airbag monitoring light and by the status of the Passenger Airbag OFF indicator light. In this situation, a front passenger seat occupant risks injury in a crash because a malfunctioning PODS system may not make the correct airbag deployment decision for the type of occupant seated there.

**Repair:**

- REPAIR NOT YET AVAILABLE
- When parts are available, dealers will install a PODS system repair kit.
- Check daily campaign open inventory report or OMD for affected vehicles in inventory.

**Precautions**

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**Notes:**

Vehicles: 2013-2018 MY Audi S6, S7  
2012-2018 MY Audi A6, A7  
2014-2018 MY Audi RS7

**IMPORTANT REMINDER: VEHICLES AFFECTED BY SAFETY & COMPLIANCE RECALLS**

**New Vehicles in Dealer Inventory: It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by this notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied. By law, dealers must correct, prior to delivery for sale or lease, any vehicle that fails to comply with an applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard or that contains a defect relating to motor vehicle safety.**

**Pre-Owned Vehicles in Dealer Inventory: Dealers should not deliver any pre-owned vehicles in their inventory which are involved in a safety or compliance recall until the defect has been remedied.**

**-END OF MESSAGE-**

*Ensure all dealership personnel are aware of this notice so they are able to address customer questions. Contact Warranty if you require additional assistance. Direct press inquiries to Audi Public Relations.*