

**IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL**

Audi of America, Inc.



<MONTH YEAR>

<CUSTOMER NAME>

<CUSTOMER ADDRESS>

<CUSTOMER CITY STATE ZIPCODE>

**This notice applies to your vehicle:** <VIN>

**NHTSA:** 19V547

**Subject: Safety Recall 74D9 – Passenger Occupant Detection System (PODS)  
Certain 2017-2019 Model Year Audi Vehicles**

Dear Audi Owner,

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Audi has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain 2017-2019 model year Audi vehicles. Our records show that you are the owner of a vehicle affected by this action.

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**What is the issue?** In certain cases, the aluminum shielding on the PODS harness under the seat may not be fitted tight enough to the harness which may allow partial surface corrosion in that area which causes a mostly sporadic error code to occur. As designed, the passenger occupant detection system (PODS) switches off the passenger airbag if a malfunction is detected. In the event of a crash there would be an increased risk of injury to the occupant seated in the front passenger seat if the passenger airbag is switched off/not working.

**What will we do?** To correct this defect, your authorized Audi dealer will install cable ties at two different points of the harness under the seat which tightens the fit of the aluminum shielding and will interrupt the partial surface oxidation inside the harness and assures the electrical connection. This work will take less than one hour to complete and will be performed for you free of charge. Please keep in mind that your dealer may need additional time for the preparation of the repair, as well as to accommodate their daily workshop schedule.

**What should you do?** Please contact your authorized Audi dealer without delay to schedule this recall repair. For your convenience, you can also visit [www.audiusa.com](http://www.audiusa.com) and click on the “Find a Dealer” link to locate a dealer near you and schedule this service.

**Precautions you should take** Should a malfunction occur, vehicle occupants will be alerted of a PODS system problem by illumination of the airbag warning light, an acoustic warning sound, an error message displayed in the instrument cluster and by the status of the Passenger Airbag OFF indicator light. If this happens, the customer should contact an authorized Audi dealership for inspection/repair without delay.

**Lease vehicles and address changes** If you are the lessor and registered owner of the vehicle identified in this action, the law requires you to forward this letter immediately via first-class mail to the lessee within ten (10) days of receipt. If you have changed your address or sold the vehicle, please fill out the enclosed prepaid Owner Reply card and mail it to us so we can update our records.

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- Reimbursement of Expenses** If you have previously paid for repairs relating to the condition described in this letter, the enclosed form explains how to request reimbursement. We would be pleased to review your reimbursement request.
- Can we assist you further?** If your authorized Audi dealer fails or is unable to complete this work free of charge within a reasonable time, please contact Audi Customer Experience at 1-800-253-2834 or via our "Contact Us" page at [www.audiusa.com](http://www.audiusa.com).
- Checking your vehicle for open Recalls and Service Campaigns** To check your vehicle's eligibility for repair under this or any other recall/service campaign, please visit the **Recall/Service Campaign Lookup** tool at [www.audiusa.com](http://www.audiusa.com) and enter your Vehicle Identification Number (VIN).

If you still cannot obtain satisfaction, you may file a complaint with: The Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590; or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

We apologize for any inconvenience this matter may cause; however we are taking this action to help ensure your safety and continued satisfaction with your vehicle.

Sincerely,

Audi Customer Protection