

# Safety Recall Code: 27i6

Subject

### **Terminal Cover**

### **Release Date**

January 12, 2021

### **Affected Vehicles**

Country	Beginning Model Year	Ending Model Year	Vehicle	Vehicle Count
USA	2018	2019	RS5 COUPE	2,355
CAN	2018	2019	RS5 COUPE	447

Check Campaigns/Actions screen in Elsa on the day of repair to verify that a VIN qualifies for repair under this action. Elsa is the <u>only</u> valid campaign inquiry & verification source.

- ✓ Campaign status must show "open."
- ✓ If Elsa shows other open action(s), inform your customer so that the work can also be completed at the same time the vehicle is in the workshop for this campaign.

### **Problem Description**

The affected vehicles were erroneously equipped with a plus (positive) terminal cover that might be less capable of assuring 12 V-power supply in a rear crash according to FMVSS and CMVSS 301 (Fuel system integrity) at 80 km/h (approximately 50 mph). In case of a rear crash (according to FMVSS/CMVSS 301 at 80 km/h (approximately 50 mph)) it may be possible for the 12-volt power supply of the vehicle to become compromised.

While there is no noncompliance with FMVSS/CMVSS 301, this could result in not being possible to open the vehicle doors from the outside, or the hazard warning lights may not function due to a compromised electric power supply. This may lead to an increased risk of injury to vehicle occupants in a rear crash if the power supply is affected.

**Corrective Action** 

Replace the plus (positive) terminal cover.

**Code Visibility** 

On or about January 12, 2021, the campaign code will be applied to affected vehicles.

**Owner Notification** 

Owner notification will take place in January 2021. Owner letter examples are included in this bulletin for your reference.

### **Additional Information**

Please alert everyone in your dealership about this action, including Sales, Service, Parts and Accounting personnel. Contact Warranty if you have any questions.

### IMPORTANT REMINDER ON VEHICLES AFFECTED BY SAFETY & COMPLIANCE RECALLS

<u>New Vehicles in Dealer Inventory:</u> 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.

<u>Pre-Owned Vehicles in Dealer Inventory:</u> 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.

Dealers must ensure that every affected inventory vehicle has this campaign completed <u>before</u> delivery to consumers.

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# **Parts Information**

Parts Control Type:	If parts are needed to support a vehicle repair:		
VIN to Order	<ul> <li>US Dealers - use AVA</li> <li>CAN Dealers - contact the Parts Specialists via phone (800-767-6552), email (VWoAPartsSpecialists@vw.com), or chat/text with the VIN to order</li> </ul>		

Initial Allocation: YES	Dealers will be sent an initial allocation prior to customer notification. If no initial allocation was received, please reference the Repair Projection Tool (below) to view your potential VIN population.
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Repair Projection Tool: (right click to open)	0		
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Criteria	Quantity	Part Number	P.O.C. Part Description	Ordering Method
01	1	8W7-915-429	Сар	VIN to Order

# U NOTE

The specified part numbers reflect the status at the start of this action. Interim updates made in ETKA can cause a listed part number to become unavailable. In this case, the new part number specified in ETKA should be used.

The information in this document is intended for use only by skilled technicians who have the proper tools, equipment and training to correctly and safely maintain your vehicle. These procedures are not intended to be attempted by "do-it-yourselfers," and you should not assume this document applies to your vehicle, or that your vehicle has the condition described. To determine whether this information applies, contact an authorized Audi dealer. ©2021 Audi Group of America, Inc. and Audi Canada. All Rights Reserved.

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# **Claim Entry Instructions**

The labor times listed here may differ from the labor operations and labor times listed in ELSA.

After campaign has been completed, enter claim as soon as possible to help prevent work from being duplicated elsewhere. Attach the Elsa screen print showing action <u>open on the day of repair</u> to the repair order. If customer refused campaign work:

- ✓ U.S. dealers: Submit the request through Audi Warranty Online under the Campaigns/Update option.
- ✓ <u>Canada dealers:</u> Upload the repair order [signed by customer] to Audi WIN/Operations/Campaign Closure.

Service Number	27i6		
Damage Code	0099		
Parts Vendor Code	002		
Claim Type	Sold vehicle: 7 10		
	Unsold vehicle: 7 90		
Causal Indicator	Mark cap* as causal part		
Vehicle Wash/Loaner	Do not claim wash/loaner under this action		etion
Criteria I.D.	01		
	LABOR		
	Labor Op	Time Units	Description
	2706 49 99	30	Replace positive battery terminal cover
	PARTS		
	Quantity	Part Number	Description
	1.00	8W7915429	Cap*

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# Customer Letter Example (USA)

<MONTH YEAR>

<CUSTOMER NAME> <CUSTOMER ADDRESS> <CUSTOMER CITY STATE ZIPCODE>

This notice applies to your vehicle: <MODEL YEAR> <BRAND> <CARLINE>, <VIN>

NHTSA: 20V760

Subject: Safety Recall 27i6 - Terminal Cover

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 2018-2019 model year Audi RS5 Coupe vehicles. Our records show that you are the owner of a vehicle affected by this action.

What is the issue?

The affected vehicles were erroneously equipped with a plus (positive) terminal cover that might be less capable of assuring 12 V-power supply in a rear crash at approximately 50 mph. In case of a rear crash, it may be possible for the 12-volt power supply of the vehicle to become compromised.

This could result in not being possible to open the vehicle doors from the outside, or the hazard warning lights may not function due to a compromised electric power supply. This may lead to an increased risk of injury to vehicle occupants in a rear crash.

What will we do?

To correct this defect, your authorized Audi dealer will replace the plus (positive) terminal cover. This work will take about half an 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 and click on the "Find a Dealer" link to locate a dealer near you and schedule this service.

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.

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.

for open Recalls and **Service Campaigns** 

Checking your vehicle 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 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

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# **Customer Letter Example (Canada)**

<MONTH YEAR>

<CUSTOMER NAME>

<CUSTOMER ADDRESS>

<CUSTOMER CITY STATE ZIPCODE>

This notice applies to your vehicle: <MODEL YEAR> <BRAND> <CARLINE>, <VIN>

Transport Canada Recall: 2020-604

Subject: Safety Recall 27i6 - Terminal Cover

Dear Audi Owner,

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the *Motor Vehicle Safety Act*. This is to inform you that your vehicle may contain a defect that could affect the safety of a person. Our records show that you are the owner of a vehicle affected by this action.

### What is the issue?

The affected vehicles were erroneously equipped with a plus (positive) terminal cover that might be less capable of assuring 12 V-power supply in a rear crash according to Canadian Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (CMVSS) 301 Fuel System Integrity at 80 km/h. In case of a rear crash (according to CMVSS 301 at 80 km/h) it may be possible for the 12-volt power supply of the vehicle to become compromised.

While there is no noncompliance with CMVSS 301, this could result in not being possible to open the vehicle doors from the outside, or the hazard warning lights may not function due to a compromised electric power supply. This may lead to an increased risk of injury to vehicle occupants in a rear crash if the power supply is affected.

### What will we do?

To correct this defect, your authorized Audi dealer will replace the plus (positive) terminal cover. This work will take about half an 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.

# Lease vehicles and address changes

If you are the lessor and registered owner of the vehicle identified in this letter, you shall forward this letter (and any subsequent notice, if applicable) to the lessee within ten (10) days of receipt. If you have changed your address or sold the vehicle identified in this letter, please fill out the enclosed prepaid Owner Reply Card and mail it to us so we can update our records.

### 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 Relations Monday through Friday from 8AM to 8PM EST at 1-800-822-2834 or via our "Contact Audi Canada" page at www.audi.ca.

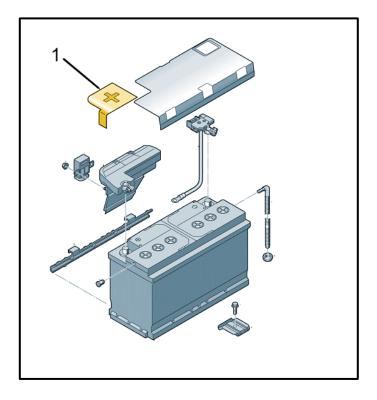
We apologize for any inconvenience this matter may cause; however we are taking this action to help ensure your safety and continued satisfaction with your vehicle.

Sincerely,

**Audi Customer Protection** 

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# **Repair Overview**



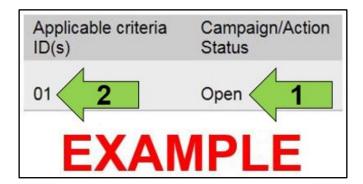
Replace positive battery terminal cover.

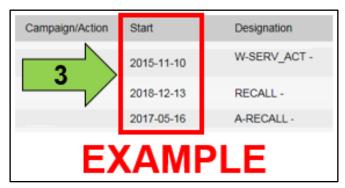
# **U** NOTE

- These repair instructions may differ from the labor operations and labor times listed in ELSA.
- Damages resulting from improper repair or failure to follow these work instructions are the dealer's responsibility and are not eligible for reimbursement under this action.
- This procedure must be read in its entirety prior to performing the repair.
- Due to variations in vehicle equipment and options, the steps/illustrations in this work procedure may not identically match all affected vehicles.
- Diagnosis and repair of pre-existing conditions in the vehicle are not covered under this action.
- When working during extreme temperatures, it is recommended that the vehicle be allowed to acclimate inside the shop to avoid temperature-related component damage/breakage.

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# Section A - Check for Previous Repair





• Enter the VIN in Elsa and proceed to the "Campaign/Action" screen.

# i TIP

On the date of repair, print this screen and keep a copy with the repair order.

- Confirm the Campaign/Action is open <arrow 1>. If the status is closed, no further work is required.
- Note the Applicable Criteria ID <arrow 2> for use in determining the correct work to be done and corresponding parts associated.



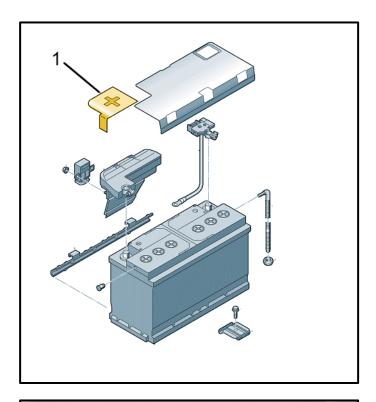
open, they must be performed in order of the Start date <arrow 3>. The oldest should be performed first.

- All Safety Recalls must be completed prior to completing this campaign.
- Proceed to Section B.

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# Section B - Repair Procedure



- Access the battery.
- Remove positive battery terminal cover <1>.



- Install new positive battery terminal cover <arrow>.
- Ensure the cover is clipped in and secured.

### **Proceed to Section C**

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# Section C - Campaign Completion Stamp

I certify that this campaign has been performed in strict accordance with the applicable Audi repair procedure.	
SAGA Code:	
Technician:	
Date:	

Item#: AUD4927ENG

-OR-

Je certifie que cette campagne de rappel a été exécutée suivant les strictes directives de réparation d'Audi
Code de SAGA:
Technicien:
Date:

Item # AUD4927FRE

### Once the campaign has been completed, the technician should stamp the repair order.

• Stamps are available for ordering through the Compliance Label Ordering Portal.

**Proceed to Section D** 

# Section D - Parts Return/Disposal

Properly store (retain), destroy or dispose of removed parts in accordance with all state/province and local requirements, unless otherwise indicated and/or requested through the Warranty Parts Portal (WPP) for U.S. and the Part Destruction and Core Disposition Report for Canada.

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