

# **VOLKSWAGEN DEALER COMMUNICATION**

## Repair Available - Safety Recall 40R7 / Front Wheel Bearing Bolts

This notice is for:

- Dealer Principal
- ✓ Service Manager
- Warranty Administrator

- ✓ General Manager
- ✓ Parts Manager

Service Consultant

✓ Technicians

✓ Sales Managers

Date: Octo

October 25, 2021

Issue:

On a small population of vehicles, the front wheel bearing bolts may have been incorrectly tightened by the supplier. If this condition is present in the vehicle, the bolts may loosen over time and adversely affect the driver's control over the vehicle, potentially causing a crash.

**Precautions:** 

If the front wheel bearing bolts have loosened, vehicle occupants may notice unusual noise coming from the front of the vehicle. If this should occur, customers are advised to contact an authorized Volkswagen dealer without delay and make arrangements to have the vehicle diagnosed/repaired.

Repair:

- REPAIR AVAILABLE October 26, 2021 / Inspect and, if necessary, replace the
  affected front wheel bearing bolt(s).
- See ELSA/ServiceNet for complete repair & claiming instructions
- Check both the daily Campaign Open Inventory report <u>and</u> OMD for affected vehicles in inventory. Verify OPEN status in ELSA <u>on the day of repair</u>.
- Repair every affected inventory vehicle <u>before delivery to consumers</u>.

#### **Parts Department:**

There will be no parts allocation. Parts will be managed by free order.

#### Affected Vehicles

Country	Beginning Model Year	Ending Model Year	Vehicle	Vehicle Count
USA	2021	2021	ATLAS	15
USA	2021	2021	ATLAS CROSS SPORT	12
USA	2021	2021	PASSAT	3
CAN	2021	2021	ATLAS	3

<sup>\*</sup>Counts reflect overall population; some vehicles may have already been repaired. Check Campaigns/Actions screen in Elsa <u>on the day of repair</u> to verify that a VIN qualifies for repair under this action. Elsa is the <u>only</u> valid campaign inquiry & verification source.

#### Notes:

- Schedule owner repairs immediately
- Owner mailing November 2021

<u>U.S.A.:</u> Loaner/rental coverage cannot be claimed under this action. However, loaner/rental may be covered under the Alternate Transportation Program. Please refer to the Volkswagen Warranty Policy and Procedures Manual for loaner claims information and reimbursement details.

<u>Canada:</u> Loaner/rental coverage cannot be claimed under this action. Please refer to the Volkswagen Service Loaner Program to determine loaner eligibility.

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 Volkswagen Public Relations.

### 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.

<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.

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