

# Compliance Recall Code: 44S3

Subject

### Tire and Loading Information Label

**Release Date** 

March 31, 2022

Affected Vehicles

Country	Beginning Model Year	Ending Model Year	Vehicle Coun	
USA	2022	2022	RS5 COUPE	11
USA	2022	2022	RS5 SPORTBACK	38
CAN	2022	2022	RS5 COUPE	19
CAN	2022	2022	RS5 SPORTBACK	42

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 value for the maximum combined weight of occupants and cargo ( kg and lbs ) on the B-pillar "Tire and Loading Information" label is too high. (RS5 Sportback +20kg and RS5 Coupe +10kg ). When a customer relies on the incorrect value for the maximum combined weight of occupants and cargo on the B-pillar label, there is a risk of overloading the vehicle. Nevertheless, the technically permissible axle load and the payload of the tires will not be exceeded. Overloading a vehicle increases the risk of a crash.

**Corrective Action** 

Install correct "Tire and Loading Information" label.

**Code Visibility** 

On or about March 31, 2022, the campaign code will be applied to affected vehicles.

**Owner Notification** 

Owner notification will take place in March 2022. 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

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.

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

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# **Parts Information**

Initial Allocation:	Due to the small number of affected vehicles there will be no label allocation.		
Label Ordering: Compliance Label Ordering Portal	Labels can be ordered through the Compliance Label Ordering Portal. Please have the VIN(s) you are ordering for available when you place your order.  • When placing label order ensure that the part number with suffix "RVU" is requested.  • Labels must be ordered by VIN through the Compliance Label Ordering Portal on accessaudi.com.		

# **A** CAUTION

Pay close attention to the criteria for each affected vehicle to ensure the correct label is affixed.

Criteria	Part Number	Quantity	Part Description
01	8W8-010-502-DT <b>RVU</b>	1	Tire information label
02	8W8-010-502-EA <b>RVU</b>	1	Tire information label
03	8W8-010-502-EC RVU	1	Tire information label
04	8W6-010-502-BN RVU	1	Tire information label
05	8W6-010-502-BP <b>RVU</b>	1	Tire information label
06	8W6-010-502-BR RVU	1	Tire information label

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

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Service Number	44S3						
Damage Code	0099						
Parts Vendor Code	002						
Claim Type	Sold vehicle: 7	10					
	Unsold vehicle: 7 90						
Causal Indicator	Mark labor as o	causal					
Vehicle Wash/Loaner	Do not claim wash/loaner under this action						
Criteria I.D.	All (see below)						
	LABOR						
	Labor Op		Tim	ne Units Description			
	4440 23 99			10		Install tire information label	
	OUTSIDE MATERIAL						
	Criteria	Part Num	ber	Quanti	ty	Description	Amount
	01	8W801050	2DT	DT			
	02	8W8010502	2EA				
	03	8W801050	2EC	1		Tire information label	\$25.00
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	05	8W6010502	2BP				
	06	8W6010502					
	Please enter part number in ALL CAPS						

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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: 22V102

Subject: Compliance Recall 44S3 - Tire and Loading Information Label

Dear Audi Owner.

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Audi has decided that certain 2022 model year Audi vehicles fail to conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 110 Tire Selection and Rims. Our records show that you are the owner of a vehicle affected by this action.

What is the issue? The value for the maximum combined weight of occupants and cargo (kg and lbs) on the

> B-pillar "Tire and Loading Information" label is too high. (RS5 Sportback +20kg and RS5 Coupe +10kg). When a customer relies on the incorrect value for the maximum combined weight of occupants and cargo on the B-pillar label, there is a risk of overloading the vehicle.

Overloading a vehicle increases the risk of a crash.

What will we do? To correct this noncompliance, your authorized Audi dealer will install a correct "Tire and

> Loading Information" label. This work will take less than 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? Your dealer will need to order a label specifically for your vehicle. 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 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 If your authorized Audi dealer fails or is unable to complete this work free of charge within a further?

reasonable time, please contact Audi Customer Experience at 1-800-253-2834 or via our

"Contact Us" page at www.audiusa.com.

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 for open Recalls and Service Campaigns

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** 

address changes

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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: 2022-084

Subject: Compliance Recall 44S3 - Tire and Loading Information Label

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 be non-compliant with the requirements of the *Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations* and that the non-compliance 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 value for the maximum combined weight of occupants and cargo ( kg and lbs ) on the

B-pillar "Tire and Loading Information" label is too high. (RS5 Sportback +20kg and RS5 Coupe +10kg). When a customer relies on the incorrect value for the maximum combined weight of occupants and cargo on the B-pillar label, there is a risk of overloading the vehicle.

Overloading a vehicle increases the risk of a crash.

What will we do? To correct this noncompliance, your authorized Audi dealer will install a correct "Tire and

Loading Information" label. This work will take less than 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? Your dealer will need to order a label specifically for your vehicle. Please contact your

authorized Audi dealer without delay to schedule this recall repair.

Lease vehicles and If you are the lessor and registered owner of the vehicle identified in this letter, you address changes 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**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.

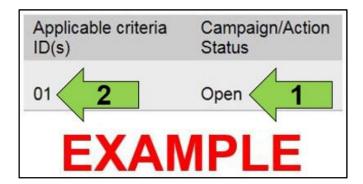
We apologize for any inconvenience this matter may cause; however we are taking this action to help ensure your safety and continued satisfaction with your vehicle.

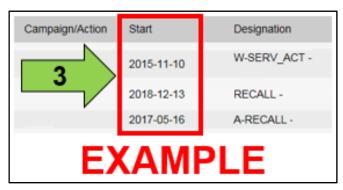
Sincerely,

**Audi Customer Protection** 

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## 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.



If multiple software update Campaign/Actions are 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.

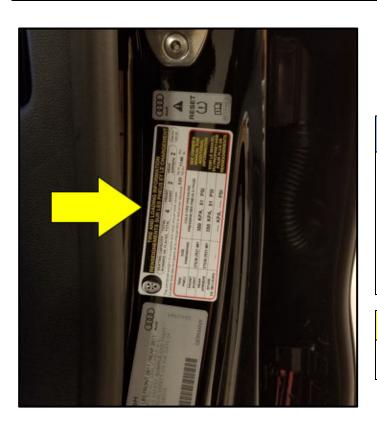
## **!** NOTE

- 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 B - Repair Procedure



- Open the driver front door.
- Locate the "Tire and Loading Information" label on the B-pillar.
- Clean the surface of the existing label.

# • NOTE

- The surface of the existing label must be clean, dry, and free from oil residue prior to applying the replacement label.
- The replacement label MUST cover the existing label completely.
- Handle the replacement label carefully. Do not touch the adhesive backing.

# **A** CAUTION

Ensure the correct label is affixed to the correct vehicle.

- Peel the replacement label off the backing paper.
- Affix the replacement label <arrow> over the existing label. The new label should be oriented in the same way as the original label.

Criteria	Part Number	Part Description	
01	8W8010502 <b>DT</b> RVU		
02	8W8010502 <b>EA</b> RVU		
03	8W8010502 <b>EC</b> RVU	Tire Information	
04	8W6010502 <b>BN</b> RVU	Label	
05	8W6010502 <b>BP</b> RVU		
06	8W6010502 <b>BR</b> RVU		

 Ensure minimal air bubbles are created when installing the new label.

#### **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.

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