



U.S. Department of Transportation

**National Highway Traffic Safety
Administration**

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Washington, DC 20590

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Chris Sandvig
Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.
3800 Hamlin Road
Auburn Hills, MI 48326

Subject: Sunroof Malfunction/FMVSS 118

Dear Chris Sandvig:

This letter serves to acknowledge Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.'s notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

AUDI/Q3/2026

Mfr's Report Date: April 01, 2026

NHTSA Campaign Number: 26V209

Components:

VISIBILITY:SUN/MOON ROOF ASSEMBLY

Potential Number of Units Affected: 6,077

Problem Description:

Volkswagen Group of America, Inc. (Audi) is recalling certain 2026 Q3 vehicles. Incorrect software may allow remote sunroof closing from a distance that prevents the operator from clearly seeing the sunroof. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 118, "Power-Operated Window Systems."

Consequence:

Closing the sunroof without the ability to see it can increase the risk of injury to occupants.

Remedy:

Dealers will update the sunroof control module software and the owner's manual, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed May 29, 2026. Owners may contact Audi customer service

at 1-800-253-2834. Audi's number for this recall is 57KS. Vehicle Identification Numbers (VINs) involved in this recall became searchable on NHTSA.gov on April 7, 2026.

Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-888-275-9171), or go to www.nhtsa.gov.

Please ensure the following requirements are met:

Risk Identification Not Supplied

Identify and describe the risk to motor vehicle safety related to the defect or noncompliance as required by 49 CFR 573.6 (c)(5). All filings should state an increased risk of either a crash, injury, or fire, and should be provided in an amended Part 573 Recall Report through the NHTSA Recalls Portal.

AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.

Description of Defect/Noncompliance Not Supplied

Provide a description of the defect, including both a brief summary and a detailed description of the nature and physical location (if applicable) of the defect or noncompliance, as required by 49 CFR 573.6 (c)(5), in an amended Part 573 Recall Report through the NHTSA Recalls Portal.

AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

As stated in 49 U.S.C. § 30118(f), submission of eight consecutive quarterly reports followed by three annual reports is required. As described in 573.7, submission of the first of eight consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter. The first of three consecutive annual status reports will be due on, or before, 1 year after the eighth quarterly report was submitted.

Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.'s contact for this recall will be Dusty Gardner who may be reached by email at dusty.gardner@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.



Sincerely,

Alex Ansley

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Chief, Recall Management Division

Office of Defects Investigation

Enforcement