



U.S. Department  
of Transportation

National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration

## Part 573 Safety Recall Report

## 26V138

**Manufacturer Name:** Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.

**Submission Date:** Mar 11, 2026

**NHTSA Recall No.:** 26V138

**Manufacturer Recall No.:** 97TC

### Manufacturer Information

### Population

**Manufacturer Name:** Volkswagen Group of  
America, Inc.  
**Address:** 3800 Hamlin Road  
Auburn Hills MI, 48326

**Total number of potentially involved:** 48,165  
**Estimated percentage with defect:** 1%

### Vehicle Information

**Vehicle 1:** 2025-2026 VOLKSWAGEN JETTA

**Product Category:** Light Vehicles

**Product Type:**

**Fuel / Propulsion:** Spark Ignition Fuel

**Production Dates:** Mar 03, 2025 - Feb 17, 2026

**Number of potentially involved:** 48,165

**Descriptive Information:**

The recall population was determined by manufacturing records.

The recalled products differ from products that were not included in the recall because based on production records, they were manufactured with a transmission ground wire that may not have been connected to the left side member stud and were assembled with an Oil Pressure Unit HW 05 which is grounded closing the electrical circuit.

Less than 1% of affected vehicles are expected to contain this defect.

### Defect / Noncompliance Description

**Description of the defect or noncompliance:**

The transmission ground wire may not have been connected during production. If the ground wire is not connected, there will be an open electrical circuit.

**FMVSS1:**

**FMVSS2:**

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## Description of the safety risk, including crash, fire, death, injury:

An open circuit may increase the risk of excessive current draw, possibly increasing the risk of a fire.

## Description of the cause:

1. Ground was not connected due to human error during the vehicle assembly process.
2. Oil Pressure Unit (OPU HW 05) is grounded closing the electrical circuit.

## Identification of any warning that can occur:

NONE

## Component Manufacturer

### Tier of Supplier:

### Supplier Type:

**Name:** Volkswagen de Mexico

**Address:** Km. 116 Autopista Mexico.Puebla  
Puebla Foreign States, 72700

**Country:** Mexico

## Involved Components

**Component Name 1:** Oil Pressure Unit (OPU HW 05)

**Component Description:** Control unit for additional pump

**Component Part Number:** 09U927152

## Chronology

December 2025: Initial 2 field cases reported and on-site inspections were conducted suggesting the possibility that the ground wire in the affected vehicles was not connected properly. Further analysis initiated.

February 19, 2026: Volkswagen's analysis confirms that the transmission ground wire, if not connected, leads to an open circuit. In turn, this increases the risk of a fire. Potentially affected vehicles identified.

February 26, 2026: The topic was reviewed in the North American Region Product Safety Committee and escalated to the Volkswagen Product Safety Committee.

March 4, 2026: The Volkswagen Product Safety Committee decided a recall campaign.

Volkswagen is not aware of any crashes, injuries, or deaths associated with this defect.

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Volkswagen is aware of six (6) confirmed claims from USA and CAN, early mileage (3x OPU wires / connector melted and 3x engine compartment caught in fire (2x USA, 1x CAN). Limited to vehicle damages, no injuries reported).

Volkswagen is aware of one (1) not confirmed claim yet.

**Related NHTSA Recall Number:**

## Description of Remedy

**Remedy Type:**

**Consumer Advisories:**  Do Not Drive  Park Outside

**Description of remedy program:**

At no cost to owners, the affected transmission ground wire will be inspected and, if necessary, repaired.

A reimbursement plan will not be offered under this recall because the affected vehicles are within the New Vehicle Limited Warranty period.

**How remedy component differs from recalled component:**

The recall remedy component can be distinguished from the recalled component because the remedial repair will be performed with HW 06, different component

**Identify how/when recall condition was corrected in production:**

Quality Alert and standard operation Sheet updated Feb 17th. Master PC implementation Feb 23rd. VIN 3VWGW7BU8TM045417.

## Reimbursement Plan

**Description of reimbursement program:**

A reimbursement plan will not be offered under this recall because the affected vehicles are within the New Vehicle Limited Warranty period.

**Period of reimbursement:**

**Costs to be reimbursed:**

**Address for reimbursement claims:**

## Recall Schedule

**Part 573 Safety Recall Report****26V138****Description of recall schedule:**

Planned Dealer Notification Begin Date: 03/13/2026  
Planned Dealer Notification End Date: 03/13/2026  
Planned Owner Notification Begin Date: 05/08/2026  
Planned Owner Notification End Date: 05/08/2026

**Planned Dealer Notification Date:** Mar 13, 2026 - Mar 13, 2026  No Dealers

**Planned Interim Owner Notification Date:**  No Owners

**Planned Remedy Owner Notification Date:** May 08, 2026 - May 08, 2026  Phased Recall

**Date when VIN will be searchable:** Mar 13, 2026