

#### 72 Audi Q5 rattle from left rear seat back

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Model(s)	Year	VIN Range	Vehicle-Specific Equipment	
Audi Q5	2009 - 2012	All	Not Applicable	
Audi Q5	2013	000001 - 009164	Not Applicable	

## Condition

REVISION HISTORY				
Revision	Date	Purpose		
3	-	Revised header data (Updated customer codes)		
		Revised Service (Numbered steps)		
2	11/30/2012	Revised header data (additional model year, new VIN break)		
		Revised Condition (additional symptom)		
		Revised Technical Background (additional symptom)		
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		Revised Service (service solution added)		
		Revised Warranty (warranty and parts tables added)		
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Customer may report hearing squeak or rattle sounds coming from the rear seat area.

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# **Technical Background**

• The rattle sound may be caused from the pivot point of the torsion bar (Figure 1) within the 2/3 rear seat backrest pivot assembly.



Figure 1. Left rear seat noise area marked with red arrows.

• The squeak noise may be coming from the rear seat armrest area, specifically from the contact surface between the armrest lock and the striker pin (Figure 2).



Figure 2. Armrest lock striker pin.

## **Production Solution**

Improved 2/3 rear seatback frame torsion bar to pivot incorporating internal plastic guides. The striker pin has also been improved to reduce the contact surface with the lock.

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## Service

If a rattle noise is heard:

- 1. Start diagnosis by performing a test drive. Sit in the right rear seat of the vehicle while a partner drives.
- 2. Ensure that there are no objects or passengers in the left rear seat, as the rattle is best diagnosed under these conditions.
- 3. If the 2/3 rear seatback is confirmed as the source of the rattle, the 2/3 rear seatback frame must be replaced, as the 2/3 rear seat backrest frame is not serviceable (Figure 3).

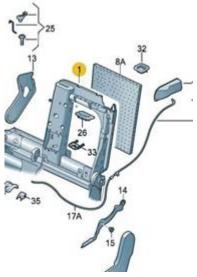


Figure 3. 2/3 seatback frame

If a squeak noise is heard:

- 1. Confirm that the source of the squeak is the armrest lock.
- 2. Lightly sand the contact surface of the striker pin to create a "knurled" effect (Figure 4).



Figure 4. Area of striker pin to be lightly sanded.

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#### Warranty

Claim Type:	Use applicable claim type. If vehicle is outside any warranty, this Technical Service Bulletin is informational only.				
Service Number:	7250				
Damage Code:	0020				
Labor Operations:	Left rear seat remove and reinstall	7248 1900	40 TU		
	Left rear seat frame replace	7255 5550	90 TU		
	Modify striker pin for rear armrest	7455 9999	20 TU		
Diagnostic Time:	GFF	No allowance	0 TU		
	Road test prior to service procedure	0121 0002	10 TU		
	Road test after service procedure	0121 0004	10 TU		
	Technical diagnosis at dealer's discretion				
	(Refer to Section 2.2.1.2 and Audi Warranty Online for DADP allowance details)				
Claim Comment:	As per TSB #2030729/3				

All warranty claims submitted for payment must be in accordance with the *Audi Warranty Policies and Procedures Manual.* Claims are subject to review or audit by Audi Warranty.

## **Required Parts and Tools**

Part Number	Part Description	Quantity
8R0885503K	Frame - backrest	1
8R0885754XXXX (use index and color code according to vehicle equipment)	Trunk Lining	1
D 001200M2	Universal adhesive	0.2

## **Additional Information**

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All parts and service references provided in this TSB (2030729) are subject to change and/or removal. Always check with your Parts Department and service manuals for the latest information.

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