

Technical Service Bulletin



66 License plate mounting bracket threaded inserts stripped

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| Model(s) | Year | VIN Range | Vehicle-Specific Equipment |
|----------|-------------|-----------|----------------------------|
| All | 2012 - 2017 | All | Not Applicable |

Condition

| REVISION HISTORY | | |
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| Revision | Date | Purpose |
| 4 | - | Revised <i>Service</i> (Added statement in the "Tip" for replacement fasteners) Revised <i>Required Parts and Tools</i> (Added part) |
| 3 | 2/19/2015 | Revised header data (added model years) |
| 2 | 6/4/2013 | Revised header data (added model years) |

Customer may report that the license plate attachment screws do not install properly.

Technical Background

The license plate brackets are designed to be used with the appropriate-length screw installed by hand with a screwdriver.

Damaged warranty parts have been returned to Audi of America with evidence of excessive torque used when installing the screw and/or excessive screw length (Figure 1).



Figure 1. Damaged screw inserts

Production Solution

Not applicable.

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Service

The appropriate screw length is dependent upon the cumulative thickness of the license plate plus any decorative frame placed over the license plate.

Recommended screw length:

- License plate without decorative frame: M6 x 8 mm
- License plate WITH 2 mm thick decorative frame: M6 x 10 mm




Tip: Manually install the license plate screws using a handheld screwdriver. If the screw bottoms out, remove this screw and select a shorter screw instead of applying excessive torque. Otherwise, damage may occur to the license plate bracket screw inserts. In the event the license plate bracket screw inserts are damaged but the openings for the inserts in the license plate bracket are not, the license plate bracket screw inserts are available as a replacement part (WHT 003 200).

Warranty

This damage is due to outside influence and is not covered by any Audi warranty.

Required Parts and Tools

| Part Number | Part Description | Quantity |
|-------------|---|-------------------|
| WHT003200 |  Nut (M6) | 1 – 4 (as needed) |

Additional Information

All parts and service references provided in this TSB (2030471) are subject to change and/or removal. Always check with your Parts Department and service manuals for the latest information.