

Technical Service Bulletin



26 Rattle noises under car

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Model(s)	Year	VIN Range	Vehicle-Specific Equipment
A8	2011 - 2016	All	Excludes 4.0T engines

Condition

REVISION HISTORY		
Revision	Date	Purpose
2	-	Revised header data (Add model years and removed 4.0T models) Revised Service (Added Note)
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Various noises, such as humming, vibration, and/or rattling are heard coming from under the vehicle or from near the center console area. The noises may appear in the following circumstances:

- When the vehicle is driven at highway speeds.
- During hard acceleration when RPMs are high.
- During deceleration from 40 mph.
- During acceleration from a stop.

Technical Background

While these types of noises could be attributed to a number of components in the vehicle, misaligned front exhaust hangers may be a contributing factor.

Production Solution

Not applicable.

Service



Note:

Adjustments of the exhaust system must be done with extra care in order to prevent damage to the decoupling element.

- Decoupling element must not be bent more than 10 degrees.
- Do not load decoupling element on cable.
- Do not damage wire mesh at decoupling element.
- Follow Elsa instructions for proper alignment of the exhaust.

1. Inspect the alignment of the front exhaust hangers (Figure 1).

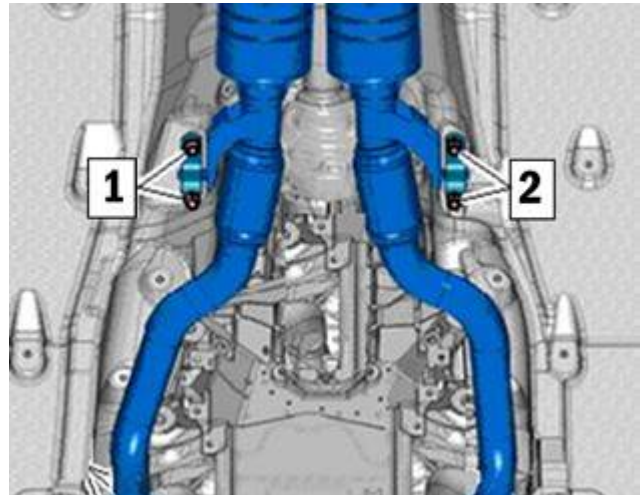


Figure 1. Front muffler hangers (1 and 2).

2. Loosen both hangers and adjust according to the instructions in Elsa at *Engine >> Engine Mechanical >> 26 Exhaust System, Emission Controls, Removal and Installation and Exhaust System, Installing without Tension*.
3. Test drive vehicle to verify repair.

Warranty

This TSB is informational only and not applicable to any Audi warranty.



Additional Information

All parts and service references provided in this TSB (2036070) are subject to change and/or removal. Always check with your Parts Department and service manuals for the latest information.