

June 2015 Technical Service

This Service Information bulletin supersedes SI B61 26 14 dated October 2014.

NEW designates changes to this revision

SUBJECT

Horn(s) Fail to Work

MODEL

F22 (2 Series Coupe)

F23 (2 Series Convertible)

F30 (3 Series Sedan)

F31 (3 Series Sports Wagon)

F32 (4 Series Coupe)

F33 (4 Series Convertible)

F34 (3 Series Gran Turismo)

F36 (4 Series Gran Coupe)

SITUATION

While trying to activate the horn, one or both horns fail to work.

One or more of the following fault codes can be stored in the FEM:

- "8044A3 Wiring, horn short circuit to earth"
- "8044A4 Wiring, horn short circuit to positive"
- "8044A5 Wiring, horn relay is defective or short circuit to positive"

CAUSE

Water has entered the horn and caused it to fail internally (shorted out).

CORRECTION

Replace the horns as needed per the "Fanfares" test plan in ISTA.

PROCEDURE

1. Perform a vehicle test with ISTA and diagnose any horn-related faults. Complete the "Fanfares" test plan and follow the test plan recommendations. The test module can be accessed in ISTA using the following path: "Function structure / 03 Body / General Vehicle electrical system / Fanfares."

Always connect a BMW approved battery charger/power supply (SI B04 23 10).

- 2. In the course of diagnosis if both horns fail to work, Fuse F14, located in the FEM (Front Electronic Module), might be blown and need replacing. This is checked as part of the test module.
- 3. In some cases after the horns are replaced, they still do not work. This can be caused by the FEM electric protection function remaining active. This function can be deactivated by entering the FEM

ECU function from the vehicle test and performing an ECU reset, or letting the vehicle enter sleep mode (after 16 minutes).

PARTS INFORMATION

Part Number	Description	Quantity
61 33 7 300 975	Air horn, High Frequency	1 as needed
61 33 7 300 976	Air horn, Low Frequency	1 as needed

WARRANTY INFORMATION

Covered under the terms of the BMW New Vehicle Limited Warranty for Passenger Cars and Light Trucks.

Defect Code:	61 33 00 79 00	
Labor Operation:	Labor Allowance:	Description:
00 00 006	Refer to KSD2	Performing "vehicle test" (with vehicle diagnosis system – checking faults)
And:		
61 21 528	Refer to KSD2	Charging battery
And, as necessary:		
61 00 006	Work time (WT)	Performing vehicle diagnosis – test module

If you are using a Main labor code for another repair, use the Plus code labor operation 00 00 556 instead.

Work time labor operation code 61 00 006 is not considered a Main labor operation; however, it does require an individual punch time and explanation on the repair order and in the claim comments.

NEW And, as necessary:

One Horn Is Inoperative (Left or Right)

NEW Labor Operation:	NEW Labor Allowance:	NEW Description:
61 33 550	Refer to KSD2	Removing and installing or replacing left fanfare
Or:		
61 33 555	Refer to KSD2	Removing and installing or replacing right fanfare

Or:

NEW Both Horns Are Inoperative

NEW Labor Operation:	NEW Labor Allowance:	NEW Description:
61 33 560	Refer to K SID/	Removing and installing or replacing both two-tone horns

NEW Refer to KSD2 for the corresponding flat rate unit (FRU) allowances.

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