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## GAP VISIBLE BETWEEN UPPER A-PILLAR COWL PANEL SEAL AND CONVERTIBLE TOP SEAL.

### MODEL

F33 (4 Series Convertible)	F83 (M4 Convertible)
Produced to April 2015	

### SITUATION

When the Retractable Hard Top (RHT) is closed, a gap is visible between the upper A-pillar seal and the cowl panel seal. This concern does not result in water or air leaks, it is only an appearance issue.



Photo at left shows gap between A-pillar seal and cowl panel seal (inside view).



Photo at left shows gap between A-pillar seal and cowl panel seal (outside view).

### CAUSE

Design of upper A-pillar cowl panel seal to convertible top seal.

#### CORRECTION

Replace A-pillar cowl panel seal.

#### PROCEDURE

Refer to Attachment A for detailed repair instructions.

#### PARTS INFORMATION

Part Number	Description	Quantity
51 72 7 279 747	Edge protection, door bottom	2
51 34 7 315 417	Seal, A-pillar, left	1
51 34 7 315 418	Seal, A-pillar, right	1
54 37 7 290 347	Base plate, left	1
54 37 7 290 348	Base plate, right	1
51 76 7 279 772	A-pillar, cowl panel seal	1
83 19 0 000 537	6-mm Butyl cord (Terostat 2460)	Approximately 100mm per side

#### WARRANTY INFORMATION

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

<b>Defect Code:</b>	<b>51 76 03 37 00</b>	<b>A-pillar node, loose</b>
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**Note: Only one (1) Main labor operation can be claimed per repair visit/claim**

**submission(s).**

Labor Operation:	Labor Allowance:	Description:
51 71 120	Refer to KSD2	Removing and installing/replacing cowl panel seal (Main Work)
Or:		
51 71 620	Refer to KSD2	Removing and installing/replacing cowl panel seal (Plus work – Vehicle already

		in the workshop)
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### Edge Protectors

Labor Operation:	Labor Allowance:	Description:
51 72 005	Refer to KSD2	Replacing edge protector for both front doors (Main Work).
Or:		
51 72 515	Refer to KSD2	Replacing edge protector for both front doors (Plus work – Vehicle already in the workshop).

### Base Plates

Labor Operation:	Labor Allowance:	Description:
54 37 282	Refer to KSD2	Removing and installing/replacing both base plates (Main Work)
Or:		
54 37 782	Refer to KSD2	Removing and installing/replacing both base plates (Plus work – Vehicle already in the workshop)

### Overlapping Labor

If invoicing the above KSD2 flat rate labor operation codes results in overlapping labor, invoice work time (WT) labor operation 00 50 000 instead for the additional labor time needed (FRUs minus the overlapping labor).

When work time labor operation 00 50 000 is used as an extension of the repair outlined in this bulletin, separate punch times are not required.

Work time labor operation code 00 50 000 is not considered a Main labor operation.

On the repair order and in the claim comment section, please identify the labor operations labor operation code(s) “00 50 000” replaces and itemize the claimed FRU amount.

### ATTACHMENTS

View PDF attachment [B540216 Attachment A - V2](#).

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