



SI B26 01 16 Rear Axle

April 2016
Technical Service

Vibration or Knocking Noise from the Center of the Vehicle

MODEL

F34 (3 Series Gran Turismo)	F36 (4 Series Gran Coupe)	With xDrive and built up to July 2015
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SITUATION

When accelerating, there is a knocking, or vibration, felt from the center of the vehicle. This sensation can be easily duplicated when accelerating with the transmission in 2nd or 3rd gear (manual mode).

CAUSE

Torque flex in the rear driveshaft.

CORRECTION

Replace the rear driveshaft with improved parts.

PROCEDURE

Follow Repair Instruction 26 11 000 Removing and installing propeller shaft (inserted) completely.

PARTS INFORMATION

Part Number	Description	Quantity
33 30 6 861 221	Torx Bolt	2
07 14 7 309 443	Torx Bolt	4
33 12 7 607 158	Repair kit insert nut	1
18 30 7 620 349	Exhaust band clamp (N55)	1
18 30 7 628 660	Exhaust band clamp (N26)	1
18 30 8 632 361	Exhaust band clamp (N20)	1
26 10 8 676 292*	Driveshaft F34 with N20/26 10/2013 – 7/2015	1
26 10 8 676 288*	Driveshaft F34 with N55	1
26 10 8 676 281*	Driveshaft F36 with N55	1
	Driveshaft F36 with	

26 10 8 676 286*	N20/26	1
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*** Use only driveshaft part numbers as specified and listed in this Service Information bulletin.**

Performing a part number look-up in ETK by VIN or model will result in the wrong part being invoiced and installed.

WARRANTY INFORMATION

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

Defect Code:	26 11 00 39 00	
Labor Operation:	Labor Allowance:	Description:
26 11 001	Refer to KSD	Replacing complete propeller shaft

If you are using a Main labor code for another repair, use the Plus code labor operation 26 11 508 instead.

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