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40 Service information for lower bonded rubber bushing for pendulum support

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Model(s)	Year	VIN Range	Vehicle-Specific Equipment
A3	2005 - 2013	All	Not Applicable
Q3	2015 - 2017	All	Not Applicable

Condition

As part of a service, repair, or workshop visit it has been established that the rear mounting bracket of the front transverse link is cracked.

Technical Background

Cracks which are not significant parts of the bearing elastomer or rubber structure (for example: bars), do not affect the mounting properties. This applies in particular to open "corner of the mouth cracks" up to about 10 mm (3/8-inch) long in the corners of bars. Cracked rubber skins on the edges of bars are production residues - rubber skins do not have any function.



Figure 1. Harmless shallow hairline cracks, long corner of the mouth cracks, and permissible free play.

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The following points do not affect the mounting properties:

1. Harmless shallow hairline cracks (Figure 1).

2. Up to about 10 mm (3/8-inch) long corner of the mouth cracks (Figure 1).

3. Permissible free play between transverse link hexagonal bolt and bonded rubber bush (Figure 1).

4. Harmless cracked rubber skins (Figure 2).



Figure 2. Harmless cracked rubber skins.

Production Solution

Not applicable.

Service

If the cracks on the rear mounting bracket match the above criteria, a parts replacement is not necessary.

Warranty

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

However, in case of warranty replacement of a part a photo of the mounting bracket (while fitted) must be taken. This photo must be attached to the warranty claim. Failure to do so will result in non-payment of the claim.

Additional Information

All parts and service references provided in this TSB (2047207) are subject to change and/or removal. Always check with your Parts Department and service manuals for the latest information.

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