

# Technical Service Bulletin



## 90K3 UPDATE – Software Update for Instrument Cluster (NVLW)

November 14, 2017

| Model(s)  | Year | VIN Range | Vehicle-Specific Equipment |
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| A6 and A7 | 2017 | See ELSA  | See ELSA                   |

## Condition

This Update has been proactively released to prevent the following condition from occurring in the vehicle:

On Audi A6 and A7 vehicles manufactured within a specific period, a software error may cause the instrument cluster to fail for a few seconds and then restart. In some cases, the MMI screen may fail at the same time and then restart.

This Update is in effect until removed.

Vehicle must meet all of the following criteria:

- Procedure is valid only for vehicles that show the **90K3** code in the Elsa Campaign/Action Information screen on the day of repair.
- Vehicle must be within the New Vehicle Limited Warranty.
- Procedure must be performed within the allotted time frame stated in this Technical Service Bulletin.
- Procedure must be performed on applicable vehicles in dealer inventory prior to sale.

## Technical Background

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## Service

### SVM Update Instructions

1. Follow all instructions in TSB 2011732: *00 Software Version Management (SVM), operating instructions* and TSB 2047812: *SD Creator: How to setup and use the SD Creator for obtaining vehicle software updates via the MirrorServer.*
2. Attach an appropriate battery charger to the vehicle.
3. Switch on the hazard warning lights and turn off all other consumers.

#### CAUTION

The procedure may cancel itself if the hazard warning lights are not switched on. The hazard warning lights prevent the system from switching to bus sleep mode during the update.

4. Attach the scan tool to the vehicle using an USB cable.
5. Confirm that the scan tool is communicating with the diagnostic head by USB <Green Arrow>. If the Bluetooth symbol is shown <Red Arrow> then disconnect the diagnostic head from the vehicle and then reattach the USB cable to the diagnostic head and then reattach to the vehicle.



6. Using Flashing, perform the update using the SVM action code, **90K3A297**.

**NOTE**

This SVM code will update all required control modules automatically. The flashing process only has to be performed once.

7. If the following (or similar) appears while you are running the program: "... please insert update medium with the following part number...", then insert the appropriate SD Card in the SD1 slot.

- SD Card, part number 4G0 906 961 L, can be created by using the SD Creator software.

8. After the Flashing test plan has completed upload log online.

**NOTE**

Before exiting the Flashing program:

1. Turn the ignition off.
2. Start the engine and let it run for a few seconds.
3. Turn the ignition off and then back on again.

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## Warranty

### Claim Entry Instructions

After campaign has been completed, enter claim as soon as possible to help prevent work from being duplicated elsewhere. Attach the Elsa screen print showing action open on the day of repair to the repair order.

If customer refused campaign work or vehicle is out of the specified warranty parameter for this Update:

- ✓ U.S. dealers: Submit the request through Audi Warranty Online under the Campaigns/Update option.
- ✓ Canada dealers: Fax repair order to Warranty at (905) 428-4811.

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| <b>Service Number</b>      | 90K3  |
| <b>Damage Code</b>         | 0099  |
| <b>Parts Vendor Code</b>   | 002   |
| <b>Claim Type</b>          | Sold vehicle: 7 10<br>Unsold vehicle: 7 90  |
| <b>Causal Indicator</b>    | Mark Labor as causal  |
| <b>Vehicle Wash/Loaner</b> | Do not claim wash/loaner under this action  |
| <b>Criteria I.D.</b>       | 4M  |
|                            | Connect battery charger.<br>Labor operation: 2706 8950                      10 T.U.<br><br>--AND--<br>Connect vehicle diagnostic tester, perform software update for Instrument Cluster.<br>Labor operation: 9025 25 99                      Time state on diagnostic<br>protocol (max 90 T.U.) |

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- Additional Actions** Some of the affected vehicles may be involved in additional Actions. Please check your Elsa Campaign/Action Information screen so that any *additional required work can be done simultaneously*.
- Verifying Vehicle Eligibility** To verify vehicle eligibility for this Update, *always* check the Elsa Campaign/Action Information screen. The Elsa system is the *only* binding inquiry and verification system; other systems are not valid and *may result in non-payment* of a claim.
- Help for Claim Entry** For questions regarding claim entry, contact Audi Warranty.
- Required Customer Notification** Inform your customer in writing by recording on the Repair Order any and all work that was conducted on the vehicle, including any and all updates completed under this Update.

## Additional Information

All parts and service references provided in this Update are subject to change and/or removal. Always check Elsa for the most current version of this document.