

34 Transmission oil leak from case seam

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Model(s)	Year	VIN Range	Vehicle-Specific Equipment
R8	2013 - 2018	All	With S-tronic transmission

Condition

Customer states:

· Oil leak from rear of vehicle.

Workshop findings:

Transmission oil leaking from case seam at the front of the intermediate housing.

Or

One or several steel bolts of seam at the front of the intermediate housing are loose.

Technical Background

Deviation of tightening torque of case seam bolts.

Production Solution

Improved installation procedure.



Service

Check and record the transmission build date for your records or possible Audi Technical Assistance Center contact. The build date is located on the top of the transmission bellhousing on the passenger side (Figure 1). The date format is stamped into the bellhousing as Day-Month-Year.

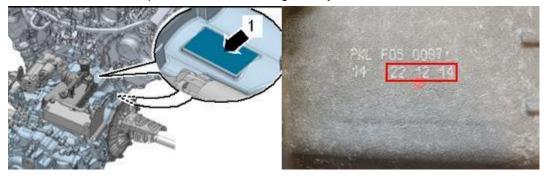


Figure 1. Example of a gearbox production date.

- 1. Clean the transmission thoroughly with brake clean (or other degreasing solvent) and make sure the transmission and case seams are completely dry before proceeding.
- 2. Apply oil leak detection spray (part number G 001 900 A1 or a locally available talcum based oil leak detection spray equivalent) to the suspected leak area, case seams, drain plugs, mechatronics cover, or any other areas suspected of leaking.
- 3. Test drive the vehicle and reassess the oil leak after the test drive.
- Take clear pictures of the leak location for your records or a possible Audi Technical Assistance Center contact (Figure 2).





Figure 2. Oil leak example.

- 5. If the oil leak is from seam at the front of the intermediate housing shown in Figure 2 proceed to step 7 in this TSB.
- 6. If the oil leak is not from the location shown in Figure 2 this TSB does not apply and you should complete your diagnosis outside of this bulletin. Take clear pictures of the leak location and open an Audi Technical Assistance Center contact. Attach the pictures of the oil leak to technical inquiry and contact the Audi Technical Assistance Center.
- 7. Check the seven steel bolts (Figure 3) for a torque of 25 Nm. The seven bolts have a hex head with internal polygon socket (triple square). If one or several bolts do not have the specified torque (25 Nm), document which bolts (1 through 7) were not tightened correctly.



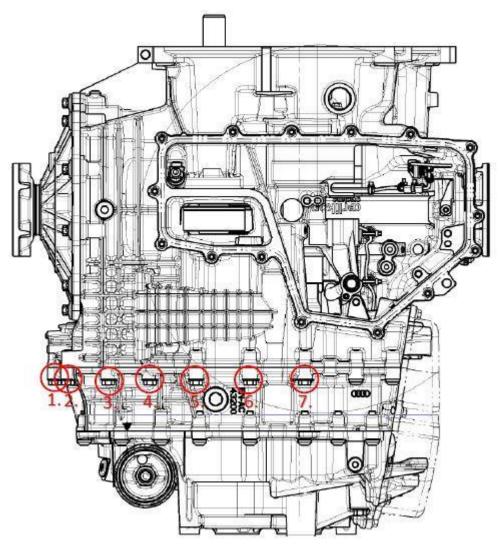


Figure 3. Bolt locations.

8. Replace the incorrectly tightened bolts individually with a torque of 20Nm + 90°. Do not replace any bolts that were not loose.



Never remove two or more bolts at the same time.

- 9. Check and adjust the transmission oil level according to the Repair Manual.
- 10. Clean off any residual oil and apply oil leak detection spray to the case seam again.
- 11. Test drive the vehicle and recheck for leaks. If there are no more leaks the repair is complete.



12. If there is still a leak from the case seam, open an Audi Technical Assistance Center contact. Attach the pictures of the oil leak to technical inquiry. Enter the transmission build date into the inquiry and contact the Audi Technical Assistance Center for further directions.

Warranty

Claim Type:	 110 up to 48 Months/50,000 Miles. G10 for CPO Covered Vehicles – Verify Owner. 					
	If vehicle is outside any warranty, this Technical Service Bulletin is informational only.					
Service Number:	3435					
Damage Code:	0050					
Labor Operations:	Model Years 2013 to 2015 (Model Code 42)					
	Noise dampening pan remove + reinstall (Coupe and Spyder)	1082 1900	50 TU			
	Model Years 2016 to 2018 (Model Code 4S)					
	Noise dampening pan remove + reinstall (Coupe only)	1082 1902	50 TU			
	Noise dampening pan remove + reinstall (Spyder only)	1082 2001	80 TU			
	All Model Years	II Model Years				
	Check gearbox housing for leaks (incl. photos)	3435 2999	40 TU			
	Replace and properly tighten bolts (As needed)	3435 5199	30 TU			
	Transmission oil inspect + add	3401 3550	30 TU			
Diagnostic Time:	GFF – Checking and clearing fault codes included in existing labor operations	No allowance	0 TU			
	Road test prior to service procedure	0121 0002	10 TU			
	Road test after service procedure	0121 0004	10 TU			
Claim Comment:	As per TSB #2052421/1					



All warranty claims submitted for payment must be in accordance with the *Audi Warranty Policies and Procedures Manual*. Claims are subject to review or audit by Audi Warranty.

Required Parts and Tools

Always check with your Parts Department and/or ETKA for the latest information and parts bulletins.						
Part Number	Part Description	Quantity				
G 052 529 A2	Dual Clutch gearbox oil	As needed for level correction				
N 911 455 01	Bolt, Steel Hexagon with Polygon socket	Required quantity according to result of diagnosis				
G 001 900 A1	Oil leak detection spray (or equivalent)	Shop Supply				
See ETKA	Fasteners, Bolts, Nuts and Screws as needed per the Repair Manual	See ETKA/ELSA				

Additional Information

All parts and service references provided in this TSB (2052421) are subject to change and/or removal.

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