

# Technical Service Bulletin

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## 00 Possible drivability issues due to the use of winter-blend fuel in a warmer season

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Model(s)	Year	VIN Range	Vehicle-Specific Equipment
All	2010 - 2020	All	Gasoline Engines

## Condition

### Customer states:

- MIL on.
- Drivability issues.
- Fuel smell.
- Difficulty refueling.

## Technical Background

As a result of actions due to the coronavirus (Covid -19) and the subsequent reduced economic activity, market fuel consumption has been significantly reduced. The fuel distribution system is dependent on high throughput to transition from higher vapor pressure winter fuels to lower vapor pressure fuels for the summertime EPA regulated ozone season.

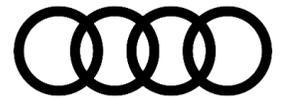
In response, EPA has enacted waivers of seasonal fuel requirements. For more details, please reference the EPA website: <https://www.epa.gov/enforcement/nationwide-fuel-waiver-concerning-summer-gasoline>.

This could result in more volatile/higher vapor pressure fuel in the fuel supply chain longer than normally permitted by the EPA or the States. Customer issues related to higher volatile fuel combined with warmer ambient temperatures are possible, and standard diagnostic procedures may not lead to a root cause.

Potential issues could include vehicle refueling concerns, drivability issues, Diagnostic Trouble Codes (DTCs) activating the MIL, increased evaporative emissions, and fuel odor. Issues are most likely to occur in warm temperatures within days after refueling.

## Production Solution

Not applicable.



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## Service

To prevent unnecessary diagnostic time and/or repairs, question the customer if the concern started shortly after re-fueling the vehicle. The cause may be due to the situation described above and re-fueling with summer blend fuel is required to solve the customer concern.

## Warranty

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

## Additional Information

All part and service references provided in this TSB (2059437) are subject to change and/or removal. Always check with your Parts Department and/or ETKA for the latest information and parts bulletins. Please check the Repair Manual for fasteners, bolts, nuts, and screws that require replacement during the repair.

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