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FUEL FILLER FLAP MISALIGNED OR STICKING

MODEL

E-Series	Model Description
G05	X5 Sports Activity Vehicle

SITUATION

The fuel filler flap is sticking when attempting to open or close, and may be visually misaligned.

Note: For the similar situation on G06 or G07, refer to [B51 05 20](#).

CAUSE

The arm for the fuel filler flap absorbs water and may become deformed. The complaint may be intermittent, as the plastic will return to its normal shape as it dries.

CORRECTION

Inspect and replace the fuel filler flap (aka cover pot, or cover bowl) if necessary.

PROCEDURE

1. Remove the fuel tank filler flap following repair instructions **REP 41 63 000 “Removing and installing the fuel filler flap”**.
2. Inspect the white identification label shown below to find the part number and index.



3. Use the P/N and index to determine if replacement is required:

P/N 7440018 with an index below 11 requires replacement

P/N 7440024 with an index below 9 requires replacement

If the P/N is different than those listed above, or the index is above what is outlined, continue diagnostics- this bulletin does not apply.

Repair instructions for replacement are attached to this bulletin and will be included within ISTA/AIR in a future release.

PARTS INFORMATION

Obtain and confirm the part numbers for your specific vehicle by entering the chassis number in either ETK or AIR which takes into account specific equipment and/or options.

Part Number	Description	Quantity
Refer to ETK/AIR	Cover pot	1 if necessary

WARRANTY INFORMATION

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

Defect Code:	4163004100	Fuel filler flap (including cover housing) poorly adjusted
Labor Operation	Description	Labor Allowance
41 63 003	Replace cover bowl (Main work) (includes removing and installing the fuel filler flap)	Refer to AIR
Or:		
41 63 503	Replace cover bowl (Plus work) (includes removing and installing the fuel filler flap)	Refer to AIR

If you are using a Main labor code for another repair, use the Plus code labor operation 41 63 503 instead of 41 63 003.

Refer to AIR for the corresponding flat rate unit (FRU) allowances.

Main Group (MG) "41" Flat Rate Labor Operations

The secondary "R" FRU value notation identifies the amount of inclusive "mechanical work" that is also contained in this MG 41 flat rate labor operation. For example, removing and installing related attached or associated assemblies and/or body components.

Since this notation identifies inclusive work, please **do not** claim the stated "R" FRU amount "separately and in addition" to the job item's primary FRU allowance which is listed next to the letter "R."

Other Repairs

If this Service Information Bulletin does not apply, but other eligible and covered work is performed as a result of diagnosing a similar issue, claim this work with the applicable defect code and the labor operations that are listed in AIR (including diagnosis with separate punch times).