Popping or Crackling from the Speakers; No Sound from the Audio System; Network Loss Message and/or Display Issues

AFFECTED VEHICLES

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SYMPTOM

There is a popping or crackling from the speakers or no sound from the audio system. You may also see a Network Loss message and/or display issues.

POSSIBLE CAUSE

There is a loose connection in the MOST bus network.

CORRECTIVE ACTION

Install the FAKRA connector set and the MOST service cords.

PARTS INFORMATION

**NOTE**

When ordering the MOST service cords, you may get an alternate part number where the first character of the last three are different, such as BA0, BB0, BC0, and BD0. Both part numbers are correct.

**Passport (EX-L)**

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## WARRANTY CLAIM INFORMATION

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Skill Level: Repair Technician

## INSPECTION PROCEDURE

1. Turn the ignition to ON.
2. Press and hold the VOL/Power AUDIO knob, **DAY/NIGHT** icon, and **HOME** icon at the same time. Hold until the **Dealer Diagnostics** menu screen appears.

3. Select **DETAIL INFORMATION & SETTING**.
4. Scroll down the menu, and select **SHUTDOWN REASON**.

![Detail Information & Setting]

In this example, the cause of the failure can be identified as **Meter:SUDDEN_SIGNAL_OFF**.

![Shutdown Reason]

Write down any failures; they will be collected on the warranty claim. Then, clear the data.

**REPAIR PROCEDURE - PASSPORT**

1. Remove the side cover.
2. Loosen the upper column cover.

3. Remove the lower dash panel.

4. Remove the screw to loosen the dash panel.
5. Pull back the dash panel to allow meter bezel removal.

6. Disengage the clips around the meter bezel, then remove the bezel and upper column cover as one piece.

7. Turn the gauge control module to access the rear connectors. Then, using the straight FAKRA tool, disconnect the red and green FAKRA connectors, and remove them from the gauge control module.

**NOTE**

For more information on using the FAKRA tools, see the job aid *Using the MOST Connector Tools*.
8. Remove the hazard switch panel.

9. Remove the passenger mid dash panel.

10. Remove the two screws, then remove the dashboard center middle trim.
11. Remove the two screws and bolts, then remove the dashboard center lower panel or accessory CD player.

![Screws and Bolts]

12. Loosen the two bolts holding the infotainment unit, then remove the unit.

![Bolts]

**NOTE**
For the EX-L trim level, go to step 16. For the Touring and Elite trim levels, go to step 13.
13. Remove the rear cargo cover, cargo tray, rear panel, and spare tire.

14. Remove the rear passenger door trim.

15. Remove the three screws and one clip from the quarter panel, then remove the panel.
16. Disconnect the red and green FAKRA connectors at the gauge control module, infotainment unit, and tuner unit (Touring, Elite), using the straight FAKRA puller.

**NOTE**

Disassemble the connectors one at a time to avoid swapping the green and red wires.
17. Using a small screwdriver, remove the secondary lock, then break off the tab as shown. Then, discard the housing and lock.

18. Pull and twist counterclockwise to remove the housing from the wire.

19. Select the correct color FAKRA housing, then slide the new terminal over the wire until it clicks into place.

20. Line up locking tabs of the FAKRA housing to the new terminal, then push in the terminal until it clicks into place.

21. Repeat steps 17 thru 20 for the other connectors. Then, install the FAKRA connectors to the infotainment unit and tuner unit.
22. Install the MOST service cord between the dash harness and gauge control module (straight connector at both ends). Then, install the FAKRA connectors to the gauge control module.

Important:
Keep smooth curve with radius of the bend greater than 25 mm.

Attach couplers to the main span with tape to prevent any rattles (roughly in line with existing PVC tape on the tube). Attach the MOST cord at the same location.

Important:
Keep smooth curve with target bend radius greater than 25 mm.

23. Install all of the removed parts in the reverse order of removal.

24. Test-drive the vehicle to confirm the repair.

REPAIR PROCEDURE - PILOT

1. Remove the side cover.
2. Loosen the upper column cover.

3. Remove the lower dash panel.

4. Remove the screw to loosen the dash panel.
5. Pull back the dash panel to allow the meter bezel removal.

6. Disengage the clips around the meter bezel, then remove the bezel and upper column cover as one piece.

7. Turn the gauge control module to access the rear connectors. Then, using the straight FAKRA tool, disconnect the red and green FAKRA connectors, and remove them from the gauge control module.
8. Remove the hazard switch panel.

9. Remove the passenger mid dash panel.

10. Remove the two screws, then remove the dashboard center middle trim.
11. Remove the two screws and bolts to remove the DVD player.

**NOTE**
Some trim levels will have a CD player or dashboard center lower panel.

12. Loosen the two bolts holding the infotainment unit, then remove the unit.

For EX and EX-L trim levels, go to step 20. For Touring, Elite, and Black Edition trim levels, go to step 13

13. Remove the rear cargo trim panel.
14. Remove the aluminum support brace by removing the two bolts.

15. Remove the two rear bolts for the right third row seat.

16. Remove the third row lower seat cushion by removing the three bolts.
17. Remove the two front bolts for the passenger third row seat-back.

18. Remove the passenger door lower trim.

19. Remove the four bolts securing the right quarter panel.
20. Disconnect the red and green FAKRA connectors at the gauge control module, infotainment unit, DVD player (if equipped), and tuner unit (Touring, Elite) using the straight FAKRA puller.

**NOTE**

Disassemble the connectors one at a time to avoid swapping the green and red wires.
21. Using a small screwdriver, remove the secondary lock, then break off the tab as shown. Then, discard the housing and lock.

22. Pull and twist counterclockwise to remove the housing from the wire.

23. Select the correct color FAKRA housing, then slide the new terminal over the wire until it clicks into place.

24. Line up the locking tabs of the FAKRA housing to the new terminal, then push in the terminal until it clicks into place.

25. Repeat steps 21 thru 24 for the other connectors. Then, connect the FAKRA connector to the infotainment unit and tuner unit.
26. Install the MOST service cord between the dash harness and the gauge control module (straight connectors at both ends). Then, install the FAKRA connectors to the gauge control module.

**Important:**
Keep smooth curve with radius of the bend greater than 25 mm.

Attach couplers to the main span with tape to prevent any rattles (roughly in line with existing PVC tape on the tube). Attach the MOST cord at the same location.

**Important:**
Keep smooth curve with target bend radius greater than 25 mm.
27. *Trim levels with CD or DVD player*: Install the MOST service cord between the dash harness and the CD or DVD player (straight connector to the dash harness and the 90 degree connector to the CD or DVD player). Then, install the FAKRA connectors to the CD or DVD player.

28. Install all of the removed parts in the reverse order of removal.

29. Test-drive the vehicle to confirm the repair.

END