

Service Action Code: 96G2

Subject

Gateway Control Module Software

Release Date

November 2, 2021

Affected Vehicles

Country	Beginning Model Year	Ending Model Year	Vehicle	Vehicle Count
USA	2017	2017	A4 SEDAN	1,990
USA	2017	2017	Q7	10,751

Check Campaigns/Actions screen in Elsa on the day of repair to verify that a VIN qualifies for repair under this action. Elsa is the <u>only</u> valid campaign inquiry & verification source.

- ✓ Campaign status must show "open."
- ✓ If Elsa shows other open action(s), inform your customer so that the work can also be completed at the same time the vehicle is in the workshop for this campaign.

Problem Description

On vehicles manufactured within a specific period, the emergency call function is inoperative during very brief phases while the onboard diagnostics query for the service key is active.

Corrective Action

Update the gateway control module software. In rare cases, a gateway control module may need to be replaced.

Code Visibility

On or about November 2, 2021, the campaign code will be applied to affected vehicles.

Owner Notification

Owner notification will take place in November 2021. Owner letter examples are included in this bulletin for your reference.

Campaign Expiration
Date

This campaign expires on **December 01, 2023.** Repairs must be performed on or before this date to be eligible for payment. Keep this expiration date in mind when scheduling customers for this action. If a customer wishes to have this service performed after the expiration date, your dealerships normal costs associated with this repair will apply.

Additional Information

Please alert everyone in your dealership about this action, including Sales, Service, Parts and Accounting personnel. Contact Warranty if you have any questions.

Dealers must ensure that every affected inventory vehicle has this campaign completed <u>before</u> <u>delivery to consumers</u>.

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Claim Entry Instructions

The labor times listed here may differ from the labor operations and labor times listed in ELSA.

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 <u>open on the day of repair</u> to the repair order. If customer refused campaign work:

✓ U.S. dealers: Submit the request through Audi Warranty Online under the Campaigns/Update option.

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Service Number	96G2				
Damage Code	0099				
Parts Vendor Code	002				
Claim Type	Sold vehicle: 7 10				
	Unsold vehicle: 7 90				
Causal Indicator	Mark labor as causal				
Vehicle Wash/Loaner	Do not claim wash/loaner under this action				
Criteria I.D.	01				
Model	Q7				
	LABOR				
	Labor Op	Time Units	Description		
	2706 89 50	10	Connect battery charger		
	9035 25 99	Time stated on diagnostic protocol	Update gateway control module software		
	Add the following <u>ONLY</u> if gateway control module requires replacement due to communication loss during the flash				
	communication		control module requires replacement due to		
	communication	loss during the flash	_ABOR		
	communication Labor Op	loss during the flash			
		loss during the flash	_ABOR		
	Labor Op	loss during the flash Time Units	_ABOR Description		
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	Labor Op 9035 55 99	Time Units 90 Time stated on diagnostic protocol	_ABOR Description Replace gateway control module GFF operations		

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Criteria I.D.	01				
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	LABOR				
	Labor Op	Time Units	Description		
	9035 56 99	30	Replace gateway control module		
	0150 00 00	Time stated on diagnostic protocol	GFF operations		
	PARTS				
	Quantity	Part Number	Description		
	1.00	8W6907468	Gateway control module		
	2.00	5G0886373	Grommet		

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Customer Letter Example (USA)

<MONTH YEAR>

<CUSTOMER NAME>

<CUSTOMER ADDRESS>

<CUSTOMER CITY STATE ZIPCODE>

This notice applies to your vehicle: <MODEL YEAR> <BRAND> <CARLINE>, <VIN>

Subject: Service Action 96G2 - Gateway Control Module Software

Dear Audi Owner,

As part of Audi's ongoing commitment to customer satisfaction, we are informing you of our decision to conduct a service action on certain 2017 model year Audi vehicles. Our records show that you are the owner of a vehicle affected by this action.

What is the issue?

On vehicles manufactured within a specific period, the emergency call function is inoperative during very brief phases while the onboard diagnostics query for the service key is active.

What will we do?

Your authorized Audi dealer will update the gateway control module software. The software update will take about three hours to complete. In rare cases, the gateway control module may need to be replaced. If this happens, your dealer will need to order the part for your vehicle.

Both the software update and gateway control module replacement (if needed) will be performed for you free of charge.

What should you do?

In order to limit any possible inconvenience, please contact your authorized Audi dealer as soon as possible to schedule this service. Please keep in mind that your dealer may need additional time for the preparation of the repair, as well as to accommodate their daily workshop schedule. For your convenience, you can also visit www.audiusa.com and click on the "Find a Dealer" link to locate a dealer near you and schedule this service.

This service action will be available for you <u>free of charge only until December 1, 2023.</u> If you wish to have this service performed after that date, your dealer's normal costs associated with this repair will apply.

Lease vehicles and address changes

If you are the lessor and registered owner of the vehicle identified in this action, please forward this letter immediately via first-class mail to the lessee within ten (10) days of receipt. If you have changed your address or sold the vehicle, please fill out the enclosed prepaid Owner Reply card and mail it to us so we can update our records.

Can we assist you further?

If your authorized Audi dealer fails or is unable to complete this work free of charge within a reasonable time, please contact Audi Customer Experience at 1-800-253-2834 or via our "Contact Us" page at www.audiusa.com.

Checking your vehicle for open Recalls and Service Campaigns

To check your vehicle's eligibility for repair under this or any other recall/service campaign, please visit the **Recall/Service Campaign Lookup** tool at www.audiusa.com and enter your Vehicle Identification Number (VIN).

We apologize for any inconvenience this matter may cause; however we are taking this action to help ensure your vehicle continues to meet and exceed your expectations.

Sincerely,

Audi Customer Protection

Required Tools



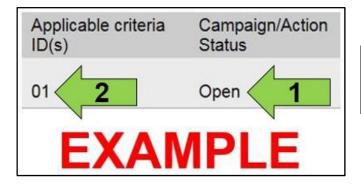
Battery Tester/Charger
- GRX3000VAS(or equivalent)

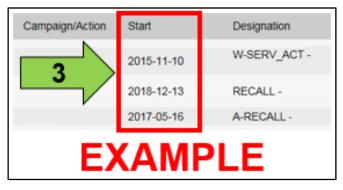


Diagnostic Tester
-VAS6150X/VAS6160X(or equivalent)

Repair Instruction

Section A - Check for Previous Repair





• Enter the VIN in Elsa and proceed to the "Campaign/Action" screen.

i TIP

On the date of repair, print this screen and keep a copy with the repair order.

- Confirm the Campaign/Action is open <arrow 1>. If the status is closed, no further work is required.
- Note the Applicable Criteria ID <arrow 2> for use in determining the correct work to be done and corresponding parts associated.



If multiple software update Campaign/Actions are open, they must be performed in order of the Start date <arrow 3>. The oldest should be performed first.

 All Safety Recalls must be completed prior to completing this campaign.

Proceed to Section B

NOTE

- Damages resulting from improper repair or failure to follow these work instructions are the dealer's responsibility and are not eligible for reimbursement under this action.
- Diagnosis and repair of pre-existing conditions in the vehicle are not covered under this action.

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Section B – Gateway Control Module Software Update

NOTE

Prior to launching the VAS Diagnostic Tester and starting an update, ensure the following conditions are met;

- The ODIS software is completely up to date.
 - Refer to the "Alerts" section on ServiceNet home page for the current ODIS version.
- The battery charger is connected to the vehicle battery and remains connected for the duration of the software update.
 - Battery voltage must remain above 12.5 volts for the duration of the software update. Failure to do so may cause the update to fail, which could result in damage to the control module. Control modules damaged by insufficient voltage will not be covered.
- The screen saver and power saving settings are off.
 - Failure to do so may result in the tester entering power save mode during the software update, which could result in damage to the control module.
- The VAS Diagnostic Tester is plugged in using the supplied power adapters.
 - Under no circumstances should the tester be used on battery power alone during the software update. Failure to do so may result in the tester powering off during the update, which could result in damage to the control module.
- Flash process through "Audi Flashing" not Guided Fault Finding (GFF).
 - DO NOT USE Guided Fault Finding (GFF) to perform this flash. Using GFF will cause the flash to take longer. Requests for additional time will not be considered.
- The VAS Diagnostics Interface MUST ONLY be connected to the tester with a USB cable.
 - Performing a software update using a Bluetooth or WiFi connection increases the risk of losing connection during the update, which could result in damage to the control module. It also greatly increases the time required to perform the update. Requests for additional time or parts will be denied if the GFF log shows the update was performed using Bluetooth or WiFi.

(I) NOTE

- All campaign software updates must be completed during a single, standalone ODIS Diagnostic Session. You must fully complete this campaign and send all logs before beginning any other campaigns or operations.
- If there are any ODIS "Hot-Fix" patches installed, they must be removed from the scan tool before beginning this operation. ODIS "Hot-Fix" patches may affect the update process.

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Radiator Fan(s) may cycle ON high speed during the Update Process! There is a serious risk that personal injury may result if contact is made with spinning fan blades. Keep hands and all objects away from Radiator Fan(s) during Update Process!

i TIP

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To Update-Programming using SVM, review and follow instructions in Technical Bulletin 2011732: Software Version Management (SVM) Operating Instructions.

The SVM Process must be completed in its entirety so the database receives the update confirmation response. A warranty claim may not be reimbursed if there is no confirmation response to support the claim.

A CRITICAL REPAIR NOTES

- This update can take over an hour. Ensure the scan tool has sufficient charge or is plugged directly into a power source.
- When the progress bar reaches 90%, it could stay at 90% for up to 15 minutes. This is normal. DO NOT cancel the flash process.
- If the flash routine cancels automatically and communication with the control unit is lost, the gateway will
 need to be replaced. The log with the first failed flash attempt must be up loaded to GFF Paperless and/or
 retained for submission to Audi warranty for authorization.
 - Open the hood.
 - Access the battery charging posts.
 - Switch the ignition on.
 - Apply the parking brake.
 - Switch off all consumers (headlights, heated seats, climate control, etc.).
 - Connect the VAS6150X/VAS6160X
 Diagnostic Tester to the vehicle.
 - Start the ODIS program.
 - Attach the GRX3000VAS Tester/Charger (or equivalent) IN POWER SUPPLY MODE to the vehicle battery charging posts.



Vehicles with Battery Monitoring Control Module -J367- and/or an EFB Battery:

When connecting the charger to the battery, connect the positive cable to the positive terminal of the battery and connect the negative cable to the grounding lug on the chassis. DO NOT connect the ground cable directly to negative terminal of the battery.

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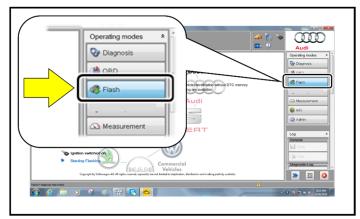
Turn the hazards on.



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.



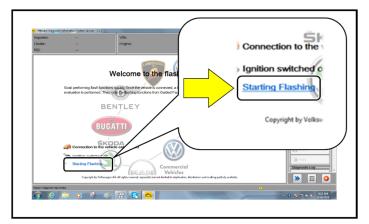
- Confirm that scan tool is communicating with the diagnostic head by USB cable.
 - If the Bluetooth or WiFi symbol is shown, then disconnect the diagnostic head from the vehicle and reconnect the USB cable to the diagnostic head and then reattach to the vehicle.



- From the home screen of the scan tool highlight "Flash" <1>.
- Follow the on-screen prompts.

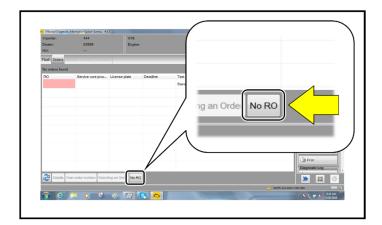


Operating mode "Flash" must be used. Performing this update using "Diagnosis" (Guided Fault Finding) could result in non-payment of the claim.

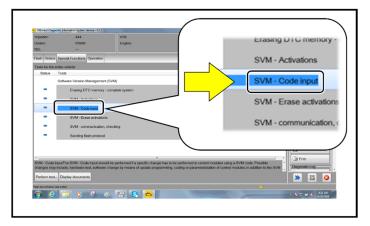


• Select "Starting Flashing" and follow the onscreen prompts.

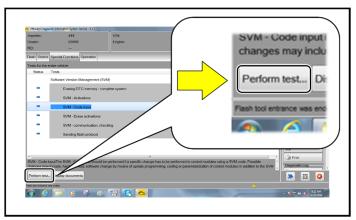
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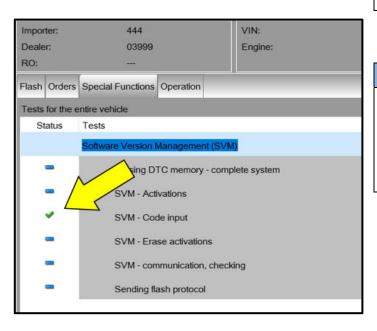


Highlight "SVM – Code Input".



• Select "Perform test".





• NOTE

Using <u>Bluetooth or WiFi</u> for this action is PROHIBITED!

Damage caused to electronic components (e.g. ECM, TCM, etc.) during the SVM update process is not covered.

 Enter the corrective action code (SVM code) as listed below.

SVM code 96G2A756

- · Select "Accept".
- Follow the on-screen prompts.



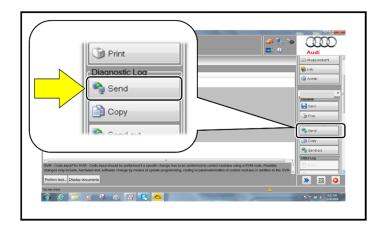
When the progress bar reaches 90%, it will stay at 90% for up to 15 minutes. This is normal. DO NOT cancel the flash process.



This extra ignition cycle step must be followed, otherwise faults stored during the update may not be cleared upon exiting the Flash program.

 After receiving confirmation that the update completed successfully (green check mark)
 <arrow>, the ignition must be turned off for 60 seconds and then turned back on.

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Clicking the "Flashing" button.

- After receiving confirmation that the flash completed successfully, select "Send" to send the diagnostic protocol online.
- Follow the on-screen prompts.
- Various event memory entries may be generated after the flashing procedure on some vehicles. Put the vehicle in a corresponding bus sleep mode after performing the update in order to clear the faults.
- To put the vehicle in bus sleep mode, disconnect the diagnostic tester, remove the key from the vehicle and lock the vehicle with the remote for 30 seconds.
- Click "Flash" to exit the flash session.
- Proceed to Section C.

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Section C - Campaign Stamp

I certify that this campaign has been performed in strict accordance with the applicable Audi repair procedure.		
SAGA Code:		
Technician:		
Date:		

Item#: AUD4927ENG

OR

Je certifie que cette campagne de rappel a été exécutée suivant les strictes directives de réparation d'Audi		
Code de SAGA:		
Technicien:		
Date:		

Item # AUD4927FRE

- Once the campaign has been completed, the technician should stamp the repair order.
- Stamps are available for ordering through the Compliance Label Ordering Portal (item# AUD4927ENG or AUD4927FRE).

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