

Condition

Model(s)	Year(s)	VIN Range	Vehicle Specific Equipment
A3 Sportback e-tron	2016 – 2018	All	Not applicable

Workshop findings:

- During assembly/maintenance work on the exhaust system, one (see Figure 1, red arrow) or both studs on the flange of the front silencer are torn off.



Figure 1. Example of torn-off stud on front silencer (red arrow).

Technical Background

Not applicable.

Production Solution

Not applicable.

Service

Drill out torn-off studs on the flange of the front muffler and replace them with alternative studs.



It is not necessary to replace the front silencer in this case. If one or both studs on the flange of the front silencer have been torn off (see image 1, red arrow), both studs must be replaced with alternative studs (see *Required Parts and Tools* in ELSA). If the front muffler is replaced under warranty without good reason, the costs will be charged back.

- **If necessary:** Remove front silencer according to
- Center-punch torn-off studs slightly using a suitable tool. Then drill out torn-off studs one after the other using a commercially available metal drill (diameters: 3.5 mm, 5.0 mm and 6.8 mm).
- Then cut threads (M8) in holes using a suitable tool.
- Screw stud (for part number, refer to *Required Parts and Tools*) into thread.
- **If necessary:** Install front silencer according to the *Workshop Manual*.
- Replace nuts and gasket according to the *Workshop Manual/Parts Information*.

Warranty

Claim Type:	• If the vehicle is outside of any warranty, this Technical Service Bulletin is informational only.		
Service Number:	2625		
Damage Code:	0015		
Labor Operations:	Front muffler removed and installed	2625 1999	60 TU
	Repair stud on flange (per stud)	2625 4199	40 TU
Claim Comment:	As per TSB 2080167/1		

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



- The part numbers and indexes of this TSB are correct at the time of publication. There may be mismatches if the parts catalogue has been updated in the meantime. In this case, the part numbers and indexes as currently specified in the parts catalogue apply.
- Order all further parts required for repairing the exhaust system according to the *Parts Catalogue*.

Part number	Designation	Required quantity
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WHT002622	Stud	2
According to the <i>Parts Catalogue</i>	Nut	2
According to the <i>Parts Catalogue</i>	Seal	1

Additional Information

All parts and service references provided in this TSB (**2080167**) are subject to change and/or removal.

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