



Connection offline

Technical Service Bulletin

90 Horn sound quality poor

Transaction No.: **2074436/3**

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Condition

Model(s)	Year(s)	VIN Range	Vehicle Specific Equipment
All Audi vehicles	2011 – 2027	All	Not applicable

REVISION HISTORY		
Revision	Date	Purpose
3	-	Revised header (Add Model Years) Revised Model Table
2	08/15/2025	Revised header (Add Model Years)
1	06/28/2024	Initial publication

Customer states:

- The horn sounds distorted.

OR

- The horn is too quiet.

OR

- The horn sounds distorted but returns to normal after using it a few times.

Technical Background

Massive water ingress into the horn (steam jet pointed **directly** at it) impairs the function of the horn's membrane.

Production Solution

Not applicable.

Service

The horn must be connected to the bracket and must not touch other components.



If the horn is touching other components, create clearance first and then check its function.

Try to remove any water from the horn by operating it several times (approx. three times for 5 seconds).

If the complaint persists after this check, remove the affected horn from the bracket.

Then turn the horn so that the opening of the horn funnel (see red mark on illustration) points to the floor and the water can drain.



Figure 1. “Horn opening”.

Shaking the horn slightly helps the water drain quickly.



Do not open/disassemble the horn to dry it, as doing so may damage the seals and cause water to enter the electronics.

Over time, this will cause the horn to fail.

After the water has been removed from the horn, it must be refitted on the bracket.

Operate the horn for approx. 5 seconds three times in a row.

Wait approximately half an hour and press the horn again.

If the complaint persists, replace the **affected** horn.

Warranty

The TSB number must always be noted in the “HST number” field in SAGA for ease of processing.

Claim Type:	• If the vehicle is outside of any warranty, this Technical Service Bulletin is informational only.		
Service Number:	9052		
Damage Code:	0033		
Labor Operations:	Remove and install horn	9050 19xx	See SRT with associated operations
	Remove and install 2 horns	9050 20xx	See SRT with associated operations
	Clean horn	9050 2999	10 TU
	Clean 2 horns	9050 3099	20 TU
Claim Comment:	As per TSB 2074436/2		

Please observe the information in the repair operations list on which repair operations must be carried out beforehand, which are included and which must be carried out afterwards if necessary.

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.

Additional Information

All part and service references provided in this TSB (**2074436**) 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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