

Vehicle not starting after DC charging

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Reason for change	

Complaint

Vehicle will not start after DC charging

Warning in the instrument cluster related to High-voltage on board electrical system

The following fault codes related to stuck contactor can be found in the High Voltage Control units :

PTCU - N127 (Powertrain control unit)

- P154900 - There is a warning due to overcurrent in the charging system of the high-voltage electric circuit.
- P154A00 - There is a warning due to a detected crash event at standstill.
- P154B00 - There is a warning due to a stuck contactor.

DCB223 - N116/5 (Direct current charge connection unit)

- P0E8929 - The input current of the on-board DC charging connection unit is too high. There is an invalid signal.
- P2BC500 - The contact "Positive terminal" of the contactor in the on-board DC current charge-connection unit is jammed closed
- P2BCC00 - The contact "Negative terminal" of the contactor in the on-board DC current charge-connection unit is jammed closed.

Instrument cluster warning messages :



Attachments	
File	Description
IC malfunction.jpeg	
IC Malfunction 1.jpeg	

Cause

- Current ripple due to EVSE (Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment)
- Overcurrent or Overvoltage due to EVSE (Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment)
- DCB contactors did not open immediately due to welding time at the end of DC charging

Remedy

- Check for a new software availability for DCCU (N116/5 - Direct Current Charge connection Unit). If a new software is available, update the software first.
- Reset contactor fault through special procedure without password. (N116/5 >> Special Procedure >> Resetting of contactor fault.)

Important Note :

- Do not replace component DCB (N116/5)
- If fault codes are not erasable, please raise a TIPS case and send it to HQ.

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Symptoms
Overall vehicle > Power supply > Battery/On-board electrical system > Battery function > Battery cannot be charged
Overall vehicle > Power supply > High-voltage on-board electrical system > High-voltage battery > Display message
Overall vehicle > Power supply > High-voltage on-board electrical system > Charging > smartCharging > Aborts

Control unit/fault code	
Control unit	Fault text
N116/5 - Direct current charge connection unit (DCCU) (DCB223)	P2BCC00 - The contact 'Negative terminal' of the contactor in the on-board DC current charge-connection unit is jammed closed. _
	P2BC500 - The contact 'Positive terminal' of the contactor in the on-board DC current charge-connection unit is jammed closed. _
	P0E8929 - The input current of the on-board DC charging connection unit is too high. There is an invalid signal.
N127 - Control unit "Drivetrain" (PTCU) (CPC3)	P154B00 - There is a warning due to a stuck contactor. _
	P154A00 - There is a warning due to a detected crash event at standstill. _
	P154900 - There is a warning due to overcurrent in the charging system of the high-voltage electric circuit. _

Operation numbers/damage codes				
Op. no.	Operation text	Time	Damage code	Note
	Resetting of contactor fault.	H	540RK	