



Technical Service Bulletin

69 Airbag/PODS warning light on, DTCs B102229 and B12251B are stored in the airbag module

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Model(s)	Year	VIN Range	Vehicle-Specific Equipment
A3, A3 Cabriolet, and S3	2015 - 2020	All	Not Applicable
A3 Sportback	2016 - 2018	All	Not Applicable
A3 e-tron	2015 - 2018	All	Not Applicable
RS 3	2017 - 2020	All	Not Applicable

Condition

Customer states:

- The airbag and/or the seat belt warning lights are on, the PODS indicator light is displaying incorrectly.

Workshop findings:

The following DTC's are stored in the airbag control module, J234, (address word 0015):

- **DTC B12251B** (Seat occupied recognition sensor mat resistance too high).
- **DTC B102229** (Passenger occupant detection system control module Implausible signal).

Technical Background

Not applicable.

Production Solution

Not applicable.

Service



Tip: Before performing any repairs, please fill out the attached questionnaire and upload it to Doc-IT.



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1. Connect vehicle to ODIS Service and perform a diagnostic scan with GFF confirming that the DTC's B12251B and B102229 are stored in the airbag control module.

**Note:**

This TSB only covers repairs related to the DTC's B12251B and B102229. Do not follow this TSB for claims caused by outside influence (e.g. water/coffee spills, electronic devices on seat).

2. Check if the Safety Campaign 69Z4 has already been completed.

**Note:**

If the Safety Campaign 69Z4 is still open and has not been completed, do not follow this TSB. Instead proceed to complete the Safety Campaign 69Z4.

3. If the Safety Campaign 69Z4 has already been completed, proceed to install a PODS Repair Kit (PODS sensor mat and PODS module) as outlined in the repair manual in ElsaPro.
4. Erase all DTC's stored in the airbag control module and test drive the vehicle.
5. Connect vehicle to ODIS Service and perform a diagnostic scan with GFF.
6. Release the vehicle to the customer if no DTC's are stored in the airbag control module.

**Note:**

Defect parts will be requested for analysis. Please handle parts with care during removal and shipping.

Warranty

Claim Type:	• 110.		
Service Number:	S642	Use this special service number for affected vehicles	
Damage Code:	0040		
Labor Operations:	Seat occupied sensor remove & reinstall	6956 1951	See SRT with associated operations
Diagnostic Time:	GFF	0150 0000	Time stated on the diagnostic protocol (Max 30 TU)
	Road test prior to the service procedure	No allowance	0 TU



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	Road test after the service procedure	0121 0004	10 TU
Claim Comment:	As per TSB #2061030/1		

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

Always check with your Parts Department and/or ETKA for the latest information and parts bulletins.		
Part Number	Part Description	Quantity
See ETKA	Fasteners, Bolts, Nuts, and Screws as needed per the Repair Manual	See ETKA/ELSA
See ETKA	Repair kit for passenger seat occupant detection	01

Tool Number	Tool Description
VAS 6160/VAS 6150	VAS tester with current version of ODIS (Windows 10)

Additional Information

More information on this system can be found in the following resources:

- Elsa, *Systems >> Campaigns/Actions >> Campaign 69Z4*.

All parts and service references provided in this TSB (2061030) are subject to change and/or removal.

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