Audi of America, Inc.



<MONTH YEAR>

<CUSTOMER NAME> <CUSTOMER ADDRESS> <CUSTOMER CITY STATE ZIPCODE>

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

NHTSA: 20V149

Subject: Safety Recall 36A1 - Steering Shaft Bolt Certain 2017-2019 model year Audi Q7 and 2019 Audi Q8

Dear Audi Owner,

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Audi has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain 2017-2019 model year Audi Q7 and 2019 Audi Q8 vehicles. Our records show that you are the owner of a vehicle affected by this action.

What is the issue?	As a result of a manual rework process at the factory, the steering shaft may not have been attached properly to the steering gear. Because of this, it is possible for the bolt at the attachment point to loosen over time, causing the connection between the steering shaft and steering gear to loosen. If this happens, it can lead to limited vehicle steering and possibly to a loss of steering control. A loss of steering control may result in a vehicle crash.
What will we do?	To correct this defect, your authorized Audi dealer will inspect the bolt attaching the steering shaft to the steering gear and, if necessary, replace it and torque to factory specification. This work will take about an hour to complete and will be performed for you free of charge. 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.
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- What should you do? Please contact your authorized Audi dealer without delay to schedule this recall repair. For your convenience, you can also visit <u>www.audiusa.com</u> and click on the "Find a Dealer" link to locate a dealer near you and schedule this service.
- Lease vehicles and address changes If you are the lessor and registered owner of the vehicle identified in this action, the law requires you to 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.

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recall/service campaign, please visit the *Recall/Service Campaign*
Lookup tool at www.audiusa.com
and enter your Vehicle Identification
Number (VIN).

If you still cannot obtain satisfaction, you may file a complaint with: The Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590; or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to http://www.safercar.gov.

We apologize for any inconvenience this matter may cause; however we are taking this action to help ensure your safety and continued satisfaction with your vehicle.

Sincerely,

Audi Customer Protection