

Safety Recall Code: 69P1

REVISION

Subject

Head Curtain Airbag Canister

Release Date

February 07, 2017

Revision Summary

Work procedure updated.

Affected Vehicles

U.S.A. & CANADA: Certain 2011-2017 MY Audi Q5 with Panoramic Sunroof

Check Campaigns/Actions screen in Elsa on the day of repair to verify that a VIN qualifies for repair under this action. Elsa is the <u>only</u> valid campaign inquiry & verification source.

- ✓ Campaign status must show "open."
- ✓ If Elsa shows other open action(s), inform your customer so that the work can also be completed at the same time the vehicle is in the workshop for this campaign.

Problem Description

If the water drainage system of the sunroof becomes damaged or impaired (such as during a repair), water could saturate the foam around a side head curtain airbag canister. This could cause corrosion to form on the canister over time. If this happens, the canister could fracture without airbag deployment, propelling fragments into the passenger compartment, striking and causing serious injury to vehicle occupants.

Corrective Action

Inspect vehicle for evidence of water ingress, examination of drainage system, disassembly of headliner and trim. Remove foam and inspect side head curtain airbag canister for relevant corrosion.

- In case of no or light surface corrosion, a wax will be applied to the inflator.
- In case of more than light surface corrosion, the vehicle should not be driven until repairs are made.

Please be aware that repair under this recall is limited to the head curtain airbag canister only. Repairs required to address damage to any other vehicle components resulting from existing or former water ingress issue(s) are not covered under this recall.

Precautions

Owners are advised that passengers should not use the second row seating until this recall repair has been performed. If any evidence of a water leak is visible on the headliner or in the rear of the vehicle, owners are advised to contact their nearest authorized dealer without delay in order to have the vehicle inspected.

Code Visibility

On or about February 02, 2017, affected vehicles were listed on the Inventory Vehicle Open Campaign Action report under My Dealership Reports (found on www.accessaudi.com & OMD Web). A list was not posted for dealers who did not have any affected vehicles.

On or about February 02, 2017, this campaign code showed open on affected vehicles in Elsa.

On or about February 02, 2017, affected vehicles were identified with this campaign code in the VIN Lookup tool at www.audiusa.com and on the NHTSA VIN lookup tool at www.safercar.gov.

Owner Notification

Owner notification will take place in March 2017.

Additional Information

Please alert everyone in your dealership about this action, including Sales, Service, Parts and Accounting personnel. Contact Warranty if you have any questions.

IMPORTANT REMINDER ON VEHICLES AFFECTED BY SAFETY & COMPLIANCE RECALLS

New Vehicles in Dealer Inventory: It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by this notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied. By

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law, dealers must correct, prior to delivery for sale or lease, any vehicle that fails to comply with an applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard or that contains a defect relating to motor vehicle safety.

<u>Pre-Owned Vehicles in Dealer Inventory:</u> Dealers should not deliver any pre-owned vehicles in their inventory which are involved in a safety or compliance recall until the defect has been remedied.

Dealers must ensure that every affected inventory vehicle has this campaign completed <u>before</u> delivery to consumers.

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Claim Entry Instructions

After campaign has been completed, enter claim as soon as possible to help prevent work from being duplicated elsewhere. Attach the Elsa screen print showing action <u>open on the day of repair</u> to the repair order.

If customer refused campaign work:

- ✓ <u>U.S. dealers:</u> Submit the request through Audi Warranty Online under the <u>Campaigns/Update</u> option.
- ✓ Canada dealers: Fax repair order to Warranty at (905) 428-4811.

Service Number	69P1		
Damage Code	0099		
Parts Vendor Code	002		
Claim Type	Sold vehicle: 7 10 Unsold vehicle: 7 90		
Causal Indicator	Mark labor as causal		
Vehicle Wash/Loaner	Do not claim wash/loaner under this action		
Criteria I.D.	8R		
	Inspect head curtain airbag inflator canisters and install protective wax (ISI Automotive airbag inflator canister) Labor operation: 6961 00 99 100 T.U. Quantity Part Number Description		

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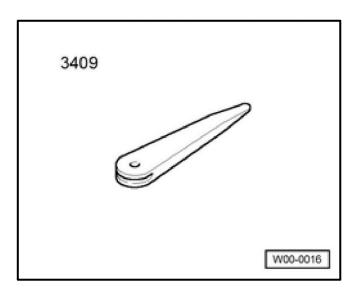
① NOTE

- Damages resulting from improper repair or failure to follow these work instructions are the dealer's responsibility and are not eligible for reimbursement under this action.
- Due to variations in vehicle equipment and options, the steps/illustrations in this work procedure may not identically match all affected vehicles.
- Repairs under this recall are limited to the head curtain airbag canister only. Repairs required to address
 damage to any other vehicle components resulting from existing or former water ingress issue(s) are not
 covered under this recall.

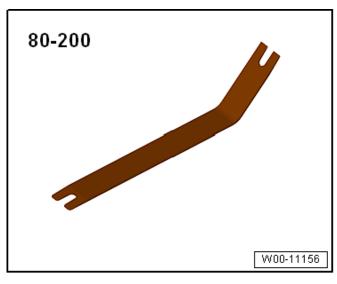
Required Parts

<u>Criteria</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	Part Number	Part Description
8R	1	D 308 SP5 A1	Protective Wax

Required Tools



• Trim Removal Wedge -3409- (or equivalent)



• Pry Lever -80-200- (or equivalent)



Applicator Brush (locally sourced, shop supply)

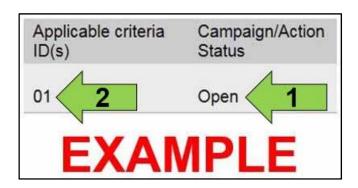
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Omega Clip Tool –T40280- (or equivalent)

Repair Instruction

Section A - Check for Previous Repair



• Enter the VIN in Elsa and proceed to the "Campaign/Action" screen.

i TIP

On the date of repair, print this screen and keep a copy with the repair order.

- Confirm the Campaign/Action is open <arrow 1>.
 If the status is closed, no further work is required.
- Note the Applicable Criteria ID <arrow 2> for use in determining the correct work to be done and corresponding parts associated.

Proceed to Section B

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Section B – Repair Procedure, Removal of Headliner Trim for Inspection of Head Curtain Airbag Inflator and Installation of Protective Wax.

! NOTE

- Due to variations in vehicle equipment and options, the steps/illustrations in this work procedure may not identically match all affected vehicles.
- It is advised that in cold weather the vehicle be allowed to warm up (example, inside the shop) to avoid damaging the interior trim panels and clips during removal.

A CAUTION

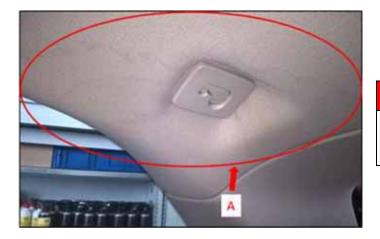
Accident risk.

When working on pyrotechnic components (for example the airbag, belt tensioner), it is necessary to disconnect the battery with the ignition turned ON.

- The Service Writer, Service Manager and/or Warranty Administrator will need to check the following prior to beginning water ingress inspections:
 - Check for Warranty Key U98 (U.S.) or contract type CANAU-CAMP-69P1 (CAN) in the vehicle data section of Elsa and follow instructions.
 - If warranty key U98 (U.S.) or contract type CANAU-CAMP-69P1 (CAN) is not present continue with water ingress inspection.

Water Ingress Inspection:

 Open the rear doors of the vehicle and inspect the headliner on both sides of the vehicle for water ingress on the rear area of the headliner <A> near the D-pillar trim.



A DANGER

If, at ANY time during the water ingress inspection, evidence of prior water ingress is noted, proceed to inflator canister inspection with extreme caution.

 If no water ingress is noted on either side, proceed to the next step.

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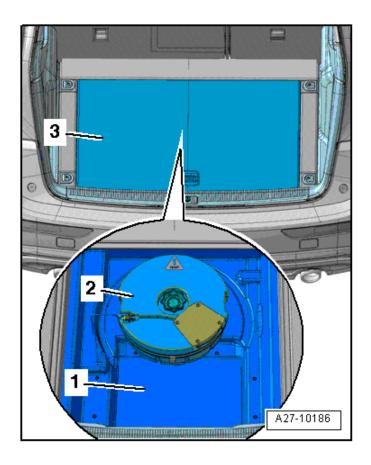
- Remove the left and right rear luggage compartment trim panel inserts.
- Disconnect the 12V outlet on the right side luggage compartment insert (if equipped).
- Inspect the wheel well areas for any signs of water ingress.

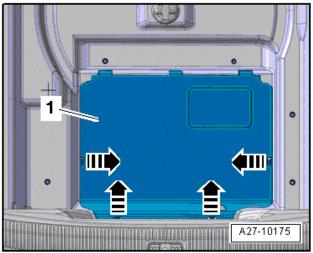
A DANGER

If, at ANY time during the water ingress inspection, evidence of prior water ingress is noted, proceed to inflator canister inspection with extreme caution.

 If no water ingress is noted, proceed to the next step.

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① NOTE

Disconnect the battery ground cable with the ignition turned on.

- Turn the vehicle ignition to the ON position.
- Remove the luggage compartment floor covering <3>.
- Remove the dirt tray, if applicable.
- If equipped, remove the subwoofer <2>.
- Remove the spare tire.
- Fold back the carpet <1> over the cover.
- Inspect the spare tire well and surrounding areas for any signs of water ingress.

A DANGER

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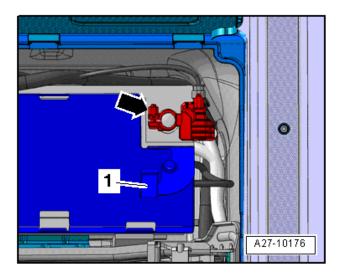
- If no water ingress is noted, proceed to the next step.
- Unlock the retaining tabs <arrows> and open the cover <1> and inspect the battery well for any water ingress.

A DANGER

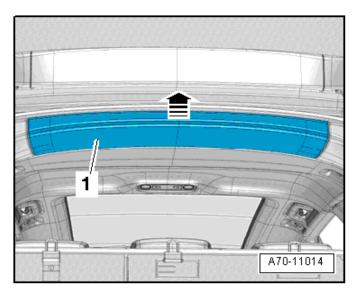
If, at ANY time during the water ingress inspection, evidence of prior water ingress is noted, proceed to inflator canister inspection with extreme caution.

 If no water ingress is noted, proceed to the next step.

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- Open the cover <1> over the battery negative terminal.
- Loosen the nut on the negative terminal several turns and remove the battery ground cable <arrow> from the battery pole and isolate the ground cable.



 Carefully unclip the rear roof panel trim <1> in the center of the roof frame using the Pry Lever -80-200- and pull the rear roof trim off towards the rear in the direction of the <arrow>.

A DANGER

If, at ANY time during the water ingress inspection, evidence of prior water ingress is noted, proceed to inflator canister inspection with extreme caution.



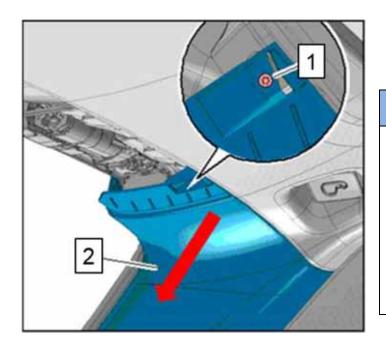
 Release the center rear headliner retaining clip using a small screwdriver to release the two tabs on either side of the clip.

A DANGER

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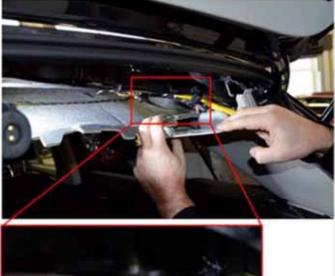
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 Remove the expanding clip rivet <1> by placing the pry lever -80-200- between the headliner and the sheet metal/body. Repeat for both sides.

NOTE

- The expanding clip rivet should be removed while the locking pin is still engaged by leveraging the pry lever -80-200- between the headliner and the body.
- Remove the locking pin after removing the expanding clip rivet from the body to avoid damaging the rivet.
- Use caution when folding down the headliner so that a crease does not form in the headliner.
- Gently fold down the D-pillar trim and the corners of the headliner on the left and right side to gain visual access to the underside of the headliner and check for water ingress.
- Inspect the underside of the headliner on the left and right sides for evidence of water ingress, as shown, in the location indicated by the <arrows>.



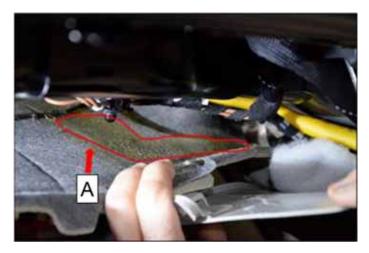


A DANGER

If, at ANY time during the water ingress inspection, evidence of prior water ingress is noted, proceed to inflator canister inspection with extreme caution.

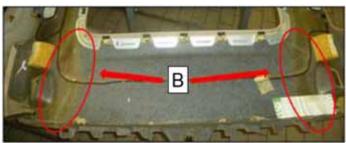
 If no water ingress is noted, proceed to the next step.

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U NOTE

The underside of the headliner will have adhesive spray in the areas shown <A>. Do not confuse the adhesive spray with water ingress.



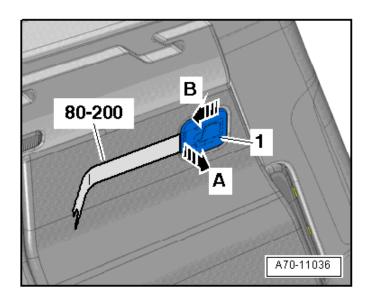
A DANGER

If ANY water ingress is noted on the headliner area around the panoramic sunroof or the areas highlighted on the headliner , proceed to inflator canister inspection with extreme caution.



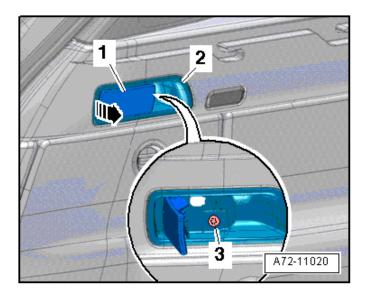
The headliner in photograph shows the headliner removed for visual clarity of water ingress. It is not necessary or required to remove the headliner for this procedure.

- If NO evidence of water ingress has been noted during any of the above inspection procedures, continue to the next step.
- Lift the rear coat hook <1> slightly off the side trim panel using the Pry Lever -80 - 200-<arrow A> and then pull it off toward the rear <arrow B>.
- Remove the screw behind the rear coat hook from the luggage compartment trim panel.
- Repeat to remove both sides.

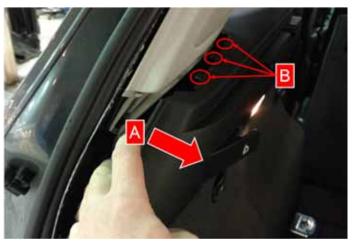


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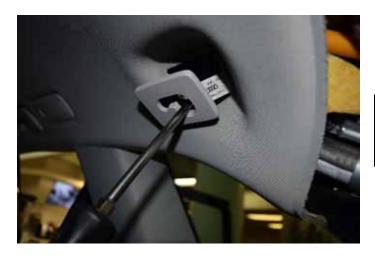
- Pull the release lever <1> and release the rear seat backrests on both sides. Fold both rear seats forward for additional clearance.
- Hold the release lever in the pulled position and remove the screw <3>.
- Repeat to remove both sides.



- Pull back the rubber sealing trim from around the left and right luggage compartment, Dpillar trim panel, and upper trim panel.
- Release the upper portion of the luggage compartment side trim panel <A> far enough that the luggage compartment side trim tabs
 clear the openings in the D-pillar trim.
- Repeat to remove both sides.



Place clean shop rags between the luggage compartment trim and the D-pillar trim to avoid scratching the D-pillar trim.

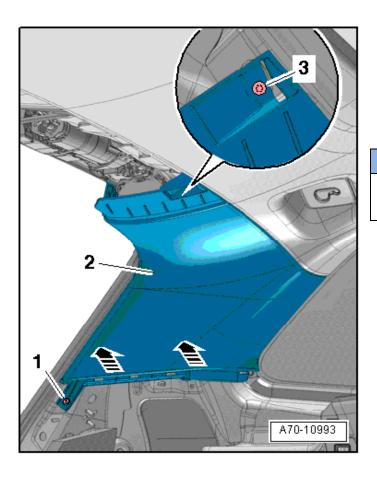


- Press the cover toward the inside and remove the concealed screw securing the screen separator mount.
- Repeat to remove both sides.



The fastener under the screen separator mount flap is a T-45 Torx.

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- Remove the expanding clip rivet <1>.
- Remove the D-pillar trim <2> from the body <arrows> using the pry lever -80-200-.
- On versions with a speaker, disconnect the electrical connector.
- Repeat to remove both sides.

U NOTE

Use special tool -T40280- (or equivalent) to remove any trim clips that remain in the body.

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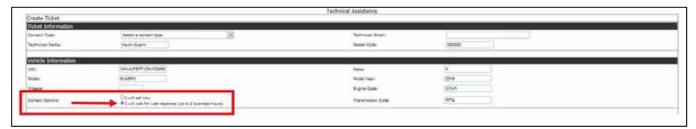
 Gently lower the headliner on the right and left sides to inspect the head curtain inflators <arrows> for corrosion. Pay particular attention to the areas that were covered by the foam block.



A DANGER

If corrosion is found: DO NOT attempt any further repair, diagnosis, inspection, or disruption of the airbag inflator canister or headliner if corrosion and/or pitting is found. Risk of rupture of the airbag inflator is possible. Rupture of the airbag inflator can cause serious injury or death.

If heavy corrosion and/or pitting is found as shown, STOP ALL FURTHER REPAIR OR INSPECTION.
Create a Technical Assistance WEB ticket and follow the direction of the Technical Assistance Consultant.
Do not continue with any further repair, diagnosis, inspection, or disruption of the airbag inflator canister or headliner.



 When creating the WEB ticket, be sure to enter a contact phone number at the bottom of the Technician's Questionnaire.

The following photos are examples of unacceptable corrosion:

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The following photos are examples of acceptable corrosion:





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- If no corrosion was found, inspect the airbag inflator canisters for the manufacturer name on the airbag inflator canister.
- There are two manufacturers, "ISI Automotive", and "Autoliv".
 - If the airbag inflator canister in the vehicle is WITHOUT corrosion and manufactured by "Autoliv", Proceed to Section D to reinstall the removed trim. ("Autoliv" inflators do NOT require the application of the protective wax.)
 - If the airbag inflator canister is WITHOUT corrosion and manufactured by "ISI Automotive", Proceed to Section C and install the protective wax.

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Section C – Repair Procedure, Remove Headliner Foam and Apply Protective Wax to ISI Automotive Head Curtain Airbag Inflator



 Remove and discard the foam padding from the headliner on the right and left side by gripping the foam padding with the fingers and peel the foam away from the headliner.

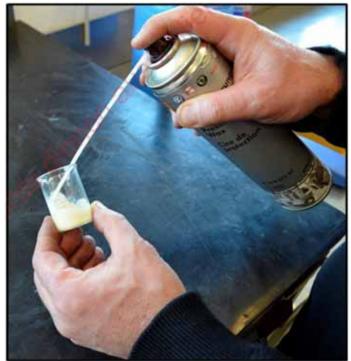




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- Use a medium sized rag, or other material to cover the luggage compartment trim.
- Be sure the area is covered well enough to control and capture any drips that may occur during the application of the protective wax.

A WARNING

DO NOT remove the sticker tab from the airbag inflator canister part number sticker. The sticker and its tab are required. Fold the sticker tab out of the way if necessary to gain access around the sticker during application of the Protective Wax, but **DO NOT** remove the sticker tab.

- Unclip the airbag electrical harness loom supports <A> from the retaining brackets to avoid getting the protective wax on the wiring harness using pry lever -80-200-.
- **DO NOT** unplug the connector from the airbag.

A CAUTION

DO NOT unplug the airbag electrical connector from the airbag inflator canister. It is only necessary to unclip the wiring harness loom supports <A> to avoid getting protective wax on the harness.

- Attach the spray nozzle included with Protective Wax -D 308 SP5 A1- to the spray can in place of the fan spray nozzle.
- Using a commercially available measuring beaker, or a small graduated cup (or equivalent) dispense a small amount of protective wax into a beaker. The protective wax will be equally applied to each airbag inflator canister.

Part Number	Part Description
D 308 SP5 A1	Protective Wax

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- Use the applicator brush to evenly apply the protective wax to each airbag inflator canister.
 Be certain to achieve complete coverage of the wax with the brush, paying attention to the back side of the canister, and in between the bracketing and fasteners.
- Always use a brush when applying the protective wax.

A WARNING

Never spray the protective wax directly onto the inflator.

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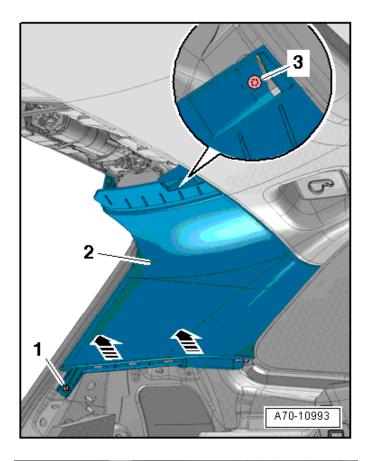
- Do not apply the wax to the igniter or airbag fabric <arrows>.
- Do not remove the airbag canister from the vehicle.

- Allow five minutes of drying time for the protective wax. After the drying time has elapsed, use the applicator brush to smooth and even out any thick or thin points on the application, and remove any runs or drips.
- Reconnect the airbag electrical harness to the retaining loops.

Proceed to Section D.

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Section D - Repair Procedure, Reinstall Rear Headliner Trim



- If equipped, reconnect the D-pillar trim speaker to the wiring harness connection.
- Reinstall the left and right D-pillar trim panels, and press on until the panel audibly latches.
- Reinstall the expanding clip rivets <1 and 3>.

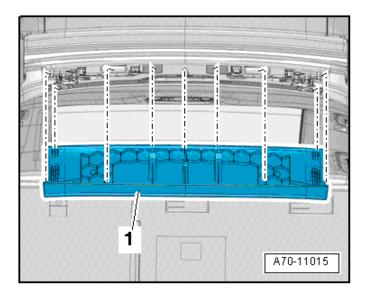


U NOTE

When reinstalling the D-pillar trim, note the installed position of the clips as shown. The black clip <circle> is longer than the other two clips and must be installed in the position shown.

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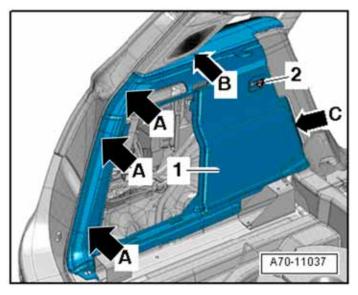
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- Mount the rear roof panel trim <1> so that the hooks touch the D-pillar trim.
- Position the rear roof panel trim on the pins, then press inward on the panel until the clips audibly engage.

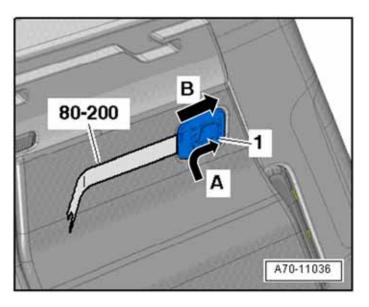


 Reinstall the two left and right screen separator mounts and tighten the T-45 Torx screws to 9 Nm.

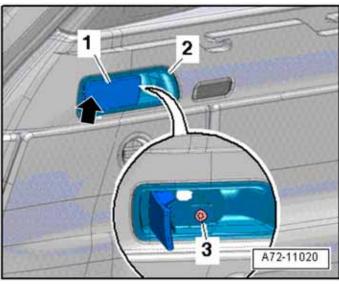


- Reinstall the luggage compartment side trim panels on the left and right sides and press on them in the direction of the arrows until they audibly latch <arrows A, B, and C>.
- Reinstall rubber sealing trim over the luggage compartment trim panels, the D-pillar trim panels, and the upper trim panel.

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- Reinstall the screw behind the rear coat hook into the luggage compartment trim panel on the left and right sides.
- Reinstall the rear coat hook <1> by rotating the front of the coat hook into the panel <A>, then pressing forward and in until the rear coat hook latches audibly into place for the left and right sides.

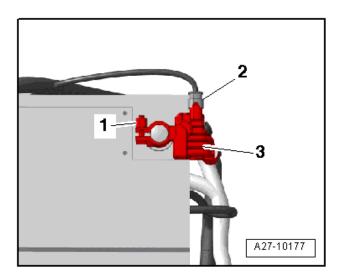


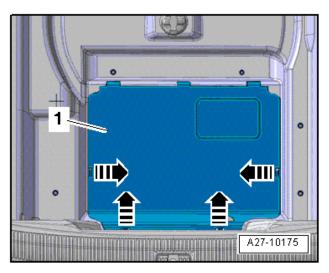
- Hold the release lever in the pulled position and reinstall the screw <3> and tighten to 1.5 Nm for both the left and right sides.
- Pull the release lever <1> and release and the rear seat backrest to verify operation of the backrest release cable and mechanism.



- Reinstall the left and right luggage compartment inserts.
- Reconnect the 12V outlet on the right side luggage compartment insert (if equipped).

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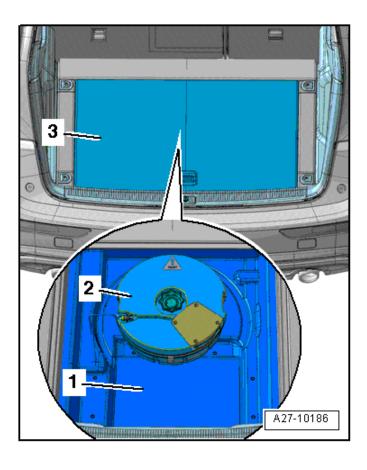




- Make certain the ignition is ON before reattaching the battery ground cable.
- Disconnect the connector <2> from the Battery Monitoring Control Module J367 <3>.
- Connect the battery ground cable terminal by hand to the battery negative terminal and tighten the nut <1> to 5 Nm.
- Reconnect the connector to the Battery Monitoring Control Module J367 <2>.

 Fold closed and reattach the retaining tabs <arrows> for the battery cover <1>.

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- Fold the carpet <1> back over the cover.
- Reinstall the spare tire.
- If equipped, reinstall the subwoofer <2>.
- Reinstall the dirt tray, if applicable.
- Reinstall the luggage compartment floor covering <3>.

 Turn the ignition OFF and back ON and start the vehicle and check for illumination of any fault lamps (example, SRS, check engine, etc).

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Section E - Campaign Stamp

I certify that this campaign has been performed in strict accordance with the applicable Audi repair procedure.		
SAGA Code:		
Technician:	_	
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OR

Je certifie que cette
campagne de rappel a été
exécutée suivant les strictes
directives de réparation
d'Audi

Code de SAGA:

Technicien:

Date:

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- Once the campaign has been completed, the technician should stamp the repair order.
- Stamps are available for ordering through the Compliance Label Ordering Portal.

Proceed to Section F.

ALL WORK IS COMPLETE

Appendix A – Warning and Safety Precautions

A WARNING

General Safety Precautions when Working with Pyrotechnic Components:

- Pyrotechnic components always contain propellant that generates a gas during combustion. In some components, there is also a supply of pressurized gas to ensure this gas is generated
- This pressurized gas is stored under high pressure in a compressed gas container. Pyrotechnic components
 are triggered by electrical/mechanical igniters.
- Only trained personnel should perform testing, assembly and servicing work. Airbags do not have a replacement interval.
- Never check with test lamps, voltmeter or ohmmeters.
- Only check pyrotechnic components when they are installed in the vehicle using vehicle diagnosis, testing and information systems approved by the manufacturer.
- When working on pyrotechnic components and the airbag control module, disconnect the battery ground strap while the ignition is switched on. Then cover the negative terminal.
- Wait 10 seconds after disconnecting the battery.
- The ignition must be switched on when connecting the battery. There should not be anyone inside the vehicle when doing this.
- Exception: vehicles with batteries in the passenger compartment. In this case, stay outside the range of the airbags and seat belts.
- Wash your hands after touching ignited pyrotechnic components from the restraint system.
- Do not open or repair pyrotechnic components. Use only new components to reduce the risk of injury.
- Do not install pyrotechnic components that have fallen onto a hard surface or show signs of damage.
- Discharge static electricity before handling pyrotechnic components, for example before disconnecting the electrical connector. This can be done by touching grounded metal objects such as the door striker pin.
- Install pyrotechnic components immediately after removing them from their transport packaging. If you must stop working, store the pyrotechnic component in its original transport packaging.
- Do not leave pyrotechnic components lying in the open unattended.
- Do not expose pyrotechnic components to temperatures above 100 °C, even for brief periods of time.

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