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Model(s)	Year	Eng. Code	Trans. Code	VIN Range From	VIN Range To
All	2004 - 2007	All	All	All	All

Condition

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Advanced Airbag System Description, Passenger Side Airbag

"PASSENGER AIR BAG OFF" indicator light in center dash cover may stay ON depending on passenger seat occupancy as registered by the weight sensing mat.

Technical Background

Additional advanced airbag system feature which meets federal motor vehicle safety standard.

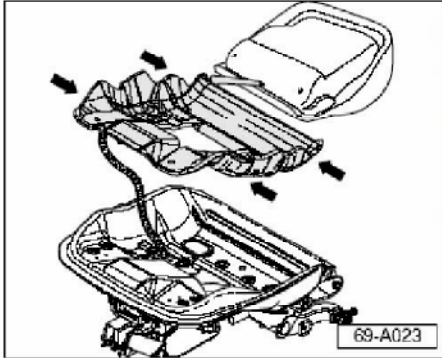


Tip:

This picture represents New Beetle and New Beetle convertible. The Air bag OFF indicator light may look different or may be in a different location on other models.

Starting with 2004 model year New Beetle and New Beetle Convertible may be equipped with a dual stage front "Advanced Airbag System". The airbag system complies with the "suppression" requirements of the safety standard to turn off the front passenger airbag according to the United States Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) 208.

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Weight of passenger is detected via a weight sensing mat in the seat (arrows).

! Note:

The arrows indicate the weight sensing mat itself, not the actual sensor. For more information see Repair Manual Repair Group 69 - Passenger protection – Airbags, Seat belts - Airbag - Seat sensors (USA), assembly overview.

Production Solution

No production change required.

Service

To prevent unneeded diagnosis or repair, prior to working on any passenger side airbag concerns review the Operational rules for passenger front airbag for applicability.

Operational rules for passenger front airbag:

! Note:

If the passenger airbag is deactivated, the "PASSENGER AIR BAG OFF" light will come ON and stay ON.

Condition	Indicator light in center of dash	Passenger airbag activated
Front passenger seat not occupied as registered by the weight sensing mat	ON	NO
Small occupant or infant in child restraint on the front passenger seat as registered by the weight sensing mat	ON	NO
Front passenger seat occupied by an adult as registered by the weight sensing mat	OFF	YES

i Tip:

For more information, see Airbag System section in the Owners Manual.



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Warranty

Information only.

Required Parts and Tools

No Special Parts required. Always see ETKA for the latest part(s) information.

No Special Tools required.