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ENG	2016-2017MY Optima (JFa) 1.6T GDI		
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206	July 2019		

TECHNICAL SERVICE BULLETIN

SUBJECT: 1.6T GDI ULEV MIL ON

LOGIC IMPROVEMENT FOR P0128

This bulletin provides the procedure to improve the logic of the ECU (Electronic Control Unit) on some 2016-2017MY Optima (JFa) 1.6T GDI ULEV DCT vehicles, produced from September 28, 2015 through September 03, 2016, which exhibit a MIL (Malfunction Indicator Lamp) illuminated with DTC P0128, even though there are no system faults. To correct this concern, apply the improved logic to the ECU using the KDS ECU Upgrade function as described in this bulletin. For confirmation that the latest reflash has been applied to a vehicle you are working on, verify the ROM ID using the table on page 2 of this bulletin.

DTC: P0128 : Coolant Thermostat (Coolant Temp. below Thermostat Regulating Temp.)



Kia Diagnostic System (KDS)

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ECU Upgrade Procedure:

To correct this condition, the ECU should be reprogrammed using the KDS download, as described in this bulletin.

Upgrade Event Name

304. JFA GAMMA 1.6TGDI DCT ULEV MIL ON DTC (P0128) LOGIC IMPROVEMENT

* NOTICE

- A fully charged battery is necessary before ECU upgrade can take place. It is recommended that the Midtronics GR8-1299 be used in ECU mode during reflashing or the use of a fully charged jump starter box.
- DO NOT connect any other battery charger to the vehicle during ECU upgrade.
- Ensure the KDS or GDS is sufficiently charged prior to reflash.
- All ECU upgrades must be done with the ignition key in the 'ON' position.
- Be careful not to disconnect the VCI-II connected to the vehicle during the ECU upgrade procedure.
- DO NOT start the engine during ECU upgrade.
- Do NOT turn the ignition key 'OFF' or interrupt the power supply during ECU upgrade.
- When the ECU upgrade is completed, turn the ignition 'OFF' and wait 10 seconds before starting the engine.
- ONLY use approved ECU upgrade software designated for the correct model and model year.

* NOTICE

Before attempting an ECU upgrade on any Kia model, make sure to first determine whether the particular model is equipped with an immobilizer (IMMO) security system. Failure to follow proper procedures may cause the PCM to become inoperative after the upgrade and any claims associated with this repair may be subject to chargeback.

ROM ID INFORMATION TABLE:

Upgrade Event #304

Model	EM	TNA	IMMO	ECU P/No.	ROM ID	
Wodel	□IVI	TM	IIVIIVIO	ECO P/NO.	Previous	New
IFo	1.6T	GDI 7DCT	Yes	39131 2BJA0	GTJF FNU6FS00H00 GTJF FNU6FS01H00 GTJF FNU6FS02H00	GTJF FNU6FS03H00
JFa	ULEV		No	39133 2BJA0	GTJF FNU6ES00H00 GTJF FNU6ES01H00 GTJF FNU6ES02H00	GTJF FNU6ES03H00

To verify the vehicle is affected, be sure to check the Calibration Identification of the vehicle's ECM ROM ID and reference the Information Table as necessary.

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* NOTICE

Prior to performing the ECU upgrade, be sure to check that the KDS is fully charged.

1. Connect the VCI-II to the OBD-II connector, located under the driver's side of the instrument panel.

* NOTICE

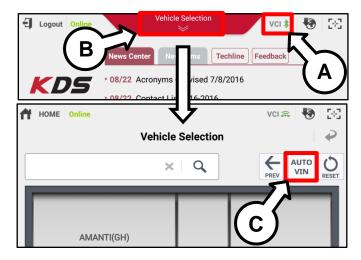
The ECU upgrade function on KDS operates wirelessly. It is not necessary to perform the upgrade via USB cable.

2. With the ignition ON, turn ON the KDS tablet. Select **KDS** from the home screen.





3. Confirm communication with VCI (A) and then configure the vehicle (B) using the **AUTO VIN** (C) feature.



4. Select **ECU Upgrade**.



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 The KDS will check the server for recently uploaded Events and then automatically download Upgrade Event #304.

* NOTICE

The vehicle must be identified in Vehicle Selection to download an Event for that vehicle.

6. Select Auto Mode.



Do NOT attempt to perform a Manual Mode upgrade <u>UNLESS</u> <u>Auto Mode fails</u>. Always follow the instructions given on the KDS in either Auto or Manual mode.

Select the ENGINE system under the System selection menu.

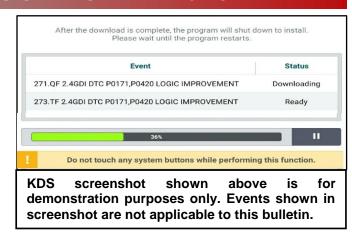
Touch **ID Check** (D) and confirm that the latest update is available.

Select **Upgrade Event #304** and select **Upgrade** to continue.

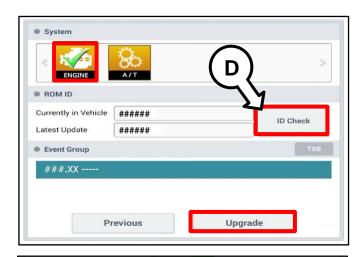
8. The ECU upgrade will begin and the progress of the upgrade will appear on the bar graph. Upgrade part (1/2) (E) will download the upgrade event to the VCI-II. Upgrade part (2/2) (F) will upgrade the ECU.

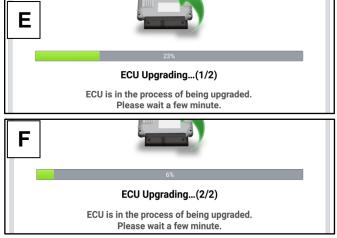


Do not touch the system buttons (like 'Back', 'Home', 'etc.') while performing ECU Upgrade.









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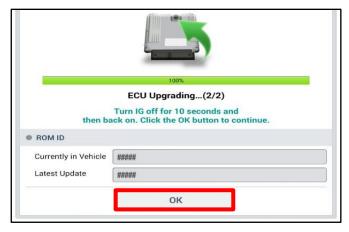
9. If a "Communication Fail" screen appears, verify that the VCI-II and KDS are communicating properly. Touch **OK** and restart the procedure from step 4.

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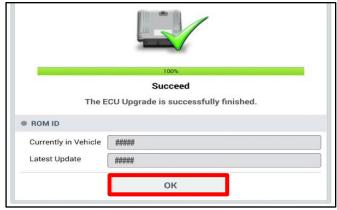
If an error notice continues to appear or if the upgrade cannot be performed, DO NOT disconnect the KDS/VCI-II. Contact GIT America Help Desk at (888) 542-4371 or Techline.

10. When instructed on the KDS, turn the ignition **OFF** for ten (10) seconds then back on. Touch **OK** to continue.





11. Once the upgrade is complete, touch **OK** to finalize the procedure.



12. When prompted, select YES to check for Diagnostic Trouble Codes (DTC) and erase any DTCs stored such as EPS, ESC, and TPMS that may have been set during the upgrade.



13. Start the engine to confirm proper operation of the vehicle.

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Manual Upgrade Procedure:

* NOTICE

The manual upgrade should ONLY be performed if the automatic upgrade fails.

If the automatic upgrade fails, turn the ignition OFF for about 10 seconds then place it back in the ON position to reset the control unit BEFORE performing manual upgrade.

See table below for Manual Mode passwords.

Manual Mode ECU Upgrade Passwords

Menu	Password
JFA 1.6T-GDI 7DCT ULEV +IMMO/SMK : 39131 2BJA0	3120
JFA 1.6T-GDI 7DCT ULEV -IMMO : 39133 2BJA0	3320

- 1. Within the ECU Upgrade screen displayed, select **Manual Mode**.
- 2. Select the **ECU** system under the System selection menu. Select **Upgrade Event #304** and select **Upgrade** to continue.
- 3. Select the appropriate control unit part number with reference to the ROM ID Information Table on page 2, and select **OK**.
- 4. Enter the appropriate password from the Manual Mode password table above and select **OK**
- 5. The upgrade will begin and the progress of the upgrade will appear on the bar graph.
- 6. When instructed on the KDS, turn the ignition **OFF** for ten (10) seconds then back on. Touch **OK** to continue.
- 7. Once the upgrade is complete, touch **OK** to finalize the procedure.
- 8. When prompted, select **YES** to check for Diagnostic Trouble Codes (DTC) and erase any DTCs stored such as EPS, ESC, and TPMS that may have been set during the upgrade.
- 9. Start the engine to confirm proper operation of the vehicle.

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AFFECTED VEHICLE RANGE:

Model	Production Date Range			
Optima (JFa)	September 28, 2015 to September 03, 2016			

WARRANTY INFORMATION:

N Code: I3A C Code: ZZ3

laim ype	Causal P/N	Qty.	Repair Description	Labor Op Code	Op Time	Replacement P/N	Qty.
W	Refer to EPC	0	1.6T GDI /DTC ECM Upgrade Logic Improvement	39110FJ2	0.3 M/H	N/A	0