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Lightweight Glass Panes Cracked – Identification and Possible Causes

Vehicles Affected

Models	Model Year	Model Type	VIN Range	Vehicle-Specific Equipment
911	2021 - 2023	992110	n/a	+VW4
		992120		
		991130		
		992140		
		992150		
		992410		
		992420		
		992430		
		992440		
		992450		
		992460		
		992810		
		992820		
		992850		

Revision History

Revision	Release Date	Changes
0	April 7, 2023	Original document

Condition

This document addresses various cracks in the lightweight exterior glass panes of the 911.

This document is not applicable to cracks caused by external influence. This document only applies to vehicles with the option VW4 – Lightweight and Noise Insulated Glass.

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Technical Background

The various types and causes of cracks in the lightweight exterior glass panes of the 911 are outlined below.

Driver's door glass: cracks in the top corner



Figure 1 - Driver's door glass: cracks in the top corner

There are two main causes for this condition:

- -> The door glass is misaligned, which can cause contact between the door glass and the rear quarter glass, or
- -> Force applied to the glass (i.e., instead of the door sill) throughout the door closing process can bend the glass enough to cause contact with the rear quarter glass, despite a proper window alignment with no force applied.

Updated lightweight door glass parts have been developed to address this complaint (ETA Q2/2023). Please see the *Driver's door glass: cracks in the top corner* section of the Service Information for repair instructions.



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Rear quarter glass (side window pane): cracks near front edge



Figure 2 - Rear quarter glass (side window pane): cracks near front edge

There are two main causes for this condition:

- -> The door glass is misaligned, which can cause contact between the door glass and the rear quarter glass, or
- -> The quarter glass mounting nuts are over-torqued

Please see the Rear quarter glass (side window pane): cracks near front edge section of the Service Information for repair instructions.



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Rear window glass: various cracks



Figure 3 - Rear window glass: various cracks

Stress cracks in the rear window glass are currently being analyzed by Porsche. The root causes for the different kinds of stress cracks are unknown at the time of publication of this document.

Please see the Rear window glass: various cracks section of the Service Information for repair instructions.





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Front windshield: various cracks



Figure 4 - Front windshield: various cracks

Stress cracks in the front windshield are currently being analyzed by Porsche. The root causes for the different kinds of stress cracks are unknown at the time of publication of this document.

Please see the Front windshield: various cracks section of the Service Information for repair instructions.



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Service Information

Driver's door glass: cracks in the top corner

Please replace the affected glass pane(s) as instructed in WM 644019 – Removing and installing door window glass.

Updated lightweight glass parts are expected Q2/2023. The updated parts will be identifiable by an "H" index part number (e.g., 992845019H or 992845020H).

Rear quarter glass (side window pane): cracks near front edge

Please replace the affected glass pane(s) as instructed in WM 647519 – Removing and installing side window (Coupe).

Please exercise additional caution when tightening the fastening nuts for the glass pane. Applying too much torque to the fastening nuts may cause the glass pane to crack.

Rear window glass: various cracks

Please replace the rear window glass as instructed in WM 648619 – Removing and installing rear window.

Front windshield: various cracks

Please replace the front windshield as instructed in WM 641219 – Removing and installing rear windscreen.

Warranty

As always, please document the repair completely in PCSS.

For this repair, please code to the appropriate "cause" from below:				
Cause location:	64400 Front door window			
Cause symptom:	1521 Crack/fissure			
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Cause location:	64750 Side window pane			
Cause symptom:	1521 Crack/fissure			
OL				
Cause location:	64860 Rear window			
Cause symptom:	1521 Crack/fissure			
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Cause location:	64120 Windshield			
Cause symptom:	1521 Crack/fissure			

Use the appropriate labor operations for each glass pane replaced. Additional labor operations may be claimed **only as needed**.

Cracks caused by outside influence (e.g., impact) may not be claimed under Warranty.



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Serach Items

992, 911, Lightweight glass, VW4, stress crack, door glass, windshield, window

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