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40 Rumbling/knocking noises from front suspension - bolted connection of tower brace

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Model(s)	Year	VIN Range	Vehicle-Specific Equipment
Q7	2017 – 2024		
Q5, and SQ5	2018 – 2024		Not Applicable
Q8	2019 – 2024		
SQ7, SQ8, and RS Q8	2020 – 2024	All	
Q5 e quattro, Q5 Sportback, and SQ5 Sportback	2021 – 2024		

Condition

REVISION HISTORY				
Revision	Date	Purpose		
3	-	Revised Header (Added Model Year)		
2	03/16/2022	Revised Header (Added Model Years)		
1	07/02/2020	Initial publication		

Customer states:

Rumbling or knocking noises can be heard from the front end on uneven roads.

Workshop findings:

• The noise can be reproduced by the workshop.

Technical Background

The noise can be caused by tension in the body.

Production Solution

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Not applicable.

Service

- 1. Check the bolted connection of the tower brace.
- If necessary, secure the bolt with the correct torque according to the repair manual and reassess the concern (Figure 1 and 2).



Figure 1. Example of tower brace for an Audi Q7.

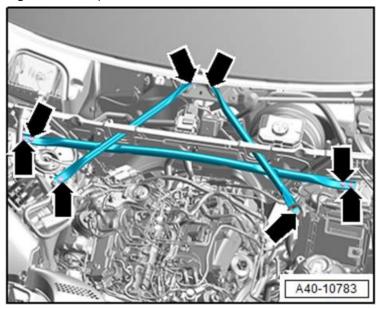


Figure 2. Example of tower brace for an Audi Q5

3. Follow the instructions in Elsa at Repair Manual, *Chassis* >> *Suspension, Wheels, Steering* >> *40 Front Suspension* >> *Suspension Strut, Upper Control Arm* >> *Overview Tower Brace.*

Warranty

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Claim Type:	• 110 up to 48 Months/50,000 Miles.				
	If the vehicle is outside any warranty, this Technical Service Bulletin is informational only.				
Service Number:	4086				
Damage Code:	0020				
Labor Operations:	Check torque for tower brace	4086 0199	20 TU		
Diagnostic Time:	GFF	No allowance	0 TU		
	Road test prior to the service procedure	0121 0002	10 TU		
	Road test after the service procedure	0121 0004	10 TU		
Claim Comment:	As per TSB 2059996/3				

All warranty claims submitted for payment must be in accordance with the *Audi Warranty Policies and Procedures Manual*. Claims are subject to review or audit by Audi Warranty.

Additional Information

All part and service references provided in this TSB (**2059996**) are subject to change and/or removal. Always check with your Parts Department and/or ETKA for the latest information and parts bulletins. Please check the Repair Manual for fasteners, bolts, nuts, and screws that require replacement during the repair.

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