



This Service Information bulletin supersedes SI B65 75 06 dated March 2012.

MODEL

<p>UPDATE! E53 produced from September 1, 2005 to November 30, 2005</p>	<p>UPDATE! E60, E61 produced from September 1, 2003 to November 30, 2005</p>	<p>UPDATE! E63, E64 produced from September 1, 2005 to November 30, 2005</p>	<p>UPDATE! E65, E66 produced from March 1, 2004 to November 30, 2005</p>
<p>UPDATE! E83 produced from September 1, 2003 to November 30, 2005</p>	<p>UPDATE! E85 produced from September 1, 2003 to November 30, 2005</p>	<p>UPDATE! E90, E91 produced from February 1, 2005 to November 30, 2005</p>	<p>UPDATE! Important note:</p>
<p>UPDATE! The production dates listed above are for reference only.</p>	<p>UPDATE! There may be vehicles with production dates beyond the ones listed above that are also covered by this Service Information bulletin.</p>	<p>UPDATE! Eligible vehicles covered by this Service Information bulletin will have an active "Vehicle Comment" button in DCS (Dealer Communication System) that displays the corresponding vehicle comment concerning the extended coverage period.</p>	<p>UPDATE! Please see the "DCS Warranty Vehicle Inquiry" attachment for more information.</p>

SITUATION

The customer complains that the Airbag Warning Lamp (AWL) is illuminated, together with the Passenger Airbag Status Lamp (POL). The problem may be intermittent.

Depending on the vehicle concerned, one of the following OC3 seat mat faults is stored in the SRS Control Module/Satellite – 95B8, 71, 93C3, 97E0.

UPDATE! In the interest of customer satisfaction, the first performance of the repair procedure listed below, to correct this specific airbag warning lamp issue on eligible affected vehicles, is covered for 10 years without mileage limit.

UPDATE! The attached letter has been sent to the owners of all affected vehicles, as described in item "A" below, to advise them of this change.

UPDATE! All subsequent repairs, as described in this bulletin, are then covered either by:

- UPDATE!** The remaining time of the BMW Original Parts Warranty as applicable (refer to KSD2 for the defect code and labor operations); or
- UPDATE!** The remaining time of the extended coverage period (for repairs beyond the parts warranty coverage period, submit as outlined below).

Affected (Eligible) and Non-Affected Vehicles

A. **Affected vehicles:** BMW vehicles which **did not have** an updated OC3 seat mat installed prior to release of the repair procedure in this Service Information bulletin.

Eligible vehicles will be shown in the DCS Warranty Vehicle Inquiry (see attachment).

B. **Non-affected vehicles:** BMW vehicles which **already had** the updated OC3 seat mat installed prior to release of this Service Information bulletin.

If a seat mat repair is required, this warranty extension does not apply to these vehicles.

Note that: on E65 and E66 vehicles, the OC3 mat was introduced from 03/2004. Earlier vehicles had an SBE seat occupancy detection system.

However, letters were mistakenly sent to owners of all vehicles up to 11/2005. Therefore BMW will honor this extended warranty for seat mat defects on the passenger SBE mat.

CAUSE

Microcracks in the OC3 seat mat.

CORRECTION

- Follow the ISTA (Integrated Technical Service Application) test plan.
- If no other faults are found, replace the OC3 seat mat.

Note that replacement parts for some vehicles are supplied without the cover material (foam pad with integrated OC3 mat). In this case, remove the cover from the faulty seat and reinstall on the replacement part per ISTA Repair Instructions REP 52 13 400.

NOTE: To avoid the possibility of a preload condition on the assembled part, be sure to follow the repair instructions. The OC3 mat will not enable if there is preload.


For E65 and E66 with the SBE mat, refer to ISTA Repair Instructions REP 65 77 598 to replace the SBE seat mat. No programming is required.

PARTS INFORMATION

Part Number	Description	Quantity
Refer to EPC	Foam pad with integrated OC3 mat (without cover material)	1
or		
Refer to EPC	Complete OC3 seat cover assembly*	1
Refer to EPC	SBE seat mat (E65, E66 up to 3/2004)	1

*** For vehicles where the replacement part is supplied without cover material, the complete seat cover assembly (foam pad, integrated OC3 mat and cover material) should only be used if the leather seat cover is damaged.**

WARRANTY INFORMATION

 The warranty coverage for this specific airbag warning lamp repair, on eligible vehicles, has been extended to 10 years without mileage limitation as outlined in the "Situation" section.

Only the affected vehicles that are covered by this Service Information as indicated by an active "Vehicle Comment" button and corresponding message in DCSnet (Dealer Communication System).

Claim the replacement BMW part number, as outlined in the Parts Information section, with the defect code below and applicable labor operation.

Defect Code:	65 77 90 13 00	
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See the attached model/seat option-specific PDF for the applicable flat rate labor operation (Main or Plus).

Refer to KSD2 for the corresponding flat rate unit (FRU) allowance. Enter the Chassis Number, which consists of the last 7 digits of the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN). Click on the "Search" button, and then enter the applicable flat rate labor operation in the FR code field.

Applicable Vehicles - Programming/Encoding Control Units

If a control unit fails to program correctly or initializations are required, the additional work must be claimed with separate labor operations under the defect code listed above; refer to KSD2.

ATTACHMENTS

View PDF attachment [B657506 E90,E91 3 Series up to 11 2005.](#)

View PDF attachment [B657506 E85 Z4 up to 11 2005.](#)

View PDF attachment [B657506 E83 X3 up to 11 2005.](#)

View PDF attachment [B657506 E65,E66 7 Series up to 11 2005.](#)

View PDF attachment [B657506 E63,E64 6 Series up to 11 2005.](#)

View PDF attachment [B657506 E60,E61 5 Series up to 9 2005.](#)

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