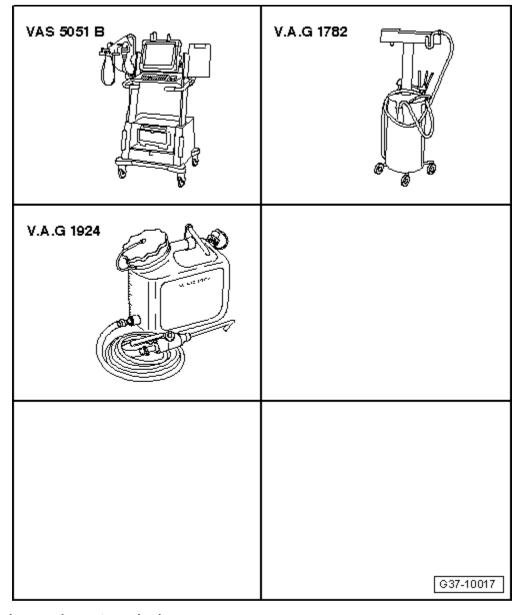
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# **Checking ATF level**



## Special tools and workshop equipment required

- Vehicle diagnostic, testing and information system -VAS 5051B-
- Used oil collection and extraction unit -V.A.G 1782-
- ATF filling unit -V.A.G 1924-
- Safety goggles

### **Test conditions**

- Gearbox must not be in emergency running (backup) mode.
- Vehicle must be absolutely horizontal (drive it onto a four pillar lifting platform or over an inspection pit).
- Selector lever at position "P".

- Parking brake button must be pulled up to apply the electromechanical parking brake.
- Extractor hose(s) of an exhaust gas extractor (switched on) must be connected.
- Air conditioner and heating system switched off.
- Vehicle diagnostic, testing and information system -VAS 5051B- must be connected.
- The ATF temperature must not be higher than 30 □ at the beginning of the test. If the temperature is higher, allow the gearbox to cool down before proceeding.



#### Note

- ◆ The ATF temperature is taken from the reading on the vehicle diagnostic, testing and information system -VAS 5051B-.
- ♦ The ATF level will vary according to the ATF temperature.
- If the ATF level is checked when the ATF temperature is too low, this will result in overfilling.
- If the ATF level is checked when the ATF temperature is too high, this will result in underfilling.
- Both overfilling and underfilling will impair the function of the gearbox.

#### **Procedure**

- Using the vehicle diagnostic, testing and information system -VAS 5051B- in Guided Fault Finding mode, go to "Function/Component Selection" and select the following menu items:
- "Drive system"
- " 0B6 gearbox"
- "01 Self-diagnosis-compatible systems"
- "02 Gearbox electronics"
- "02 Gearbox electronics, Functions"
- "02 Read measured values"
- Select measured value for "gear oil temperature" from list on vehicle diagnostic, testing and information system -VAS 5051B-.
- Read off ATF temperature.

### **Checking and correcting ATF level**



#### Note

- The ATF level is checked at the ATF inspection plug.
- The ATF level is correct if a small amount of fluid comes out at the ATF inspection plug when ATF temperature is between 35°C and 45°C, or 50°C in hot climates (the fluid level rises due to expansion as it warms up).



#### Caution

#### Risk of damage to gearbox

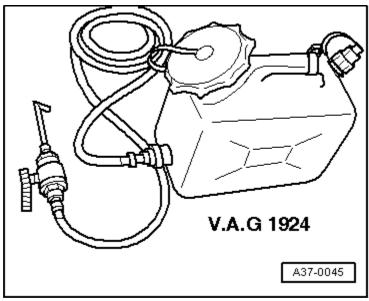
- ♦ Only the ATF available as a replacement part may be used for the automatic gearbox 0B6.
- Other types of oil cause malfunctions and/or failure of the gearbox.
- For the correct type, refer to → Electronic parts catalogue.
- ♦ The ATF filling unit must be clean and the ATF must not be mixed with other types of oil!
- Fill reservoir of ATF filling unit -V.A.G 1924with ATF for automatic gearbox 0B6. For ATF specification refer to → Electronic parts catalogue.
- Secure reservoir for ATF filling unit -V.A.G
   1924- as high as possible on vehicle.



#### Caution

#### Risk of damage to gearbox

- The engine must not be started if only a little or no ATF remains in gearbox after repair work or after excessive ATF leakage.
- In this case the gearbox must be filled with ATF before proceeding further
   → Chapter.



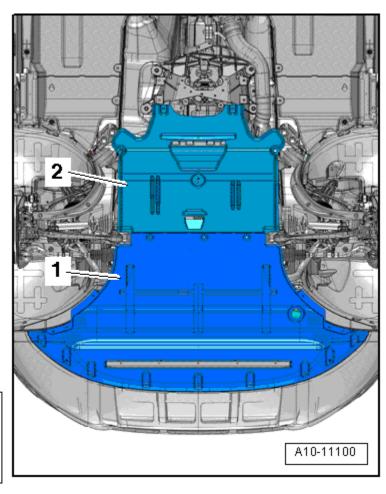
- Remove rear noise insulation -2 → General body repairs, exterior; Rep.
  gr.66; Noise insulation; Removing and
  installing noise insulation.
- Start engine with selector lever in position "P".
- With brake pedal still depressed, select all gear positions ("P", "R", "N", "D", "S") one after the other at idling speed, maintaining each position for at least 10 seconds.
- Shift selector lever into position "N".
- Increase engine speed to 2000 rpm for at least 60 seconds.
- Shift selector lever into position "P".
- Allow engine to continue running at idling speed.
- Place used oil collection and extraction unit -V.A.G 1782- below gearbox.



#### **WARNING**

Risk of eye injury.

Wear safety goggles.



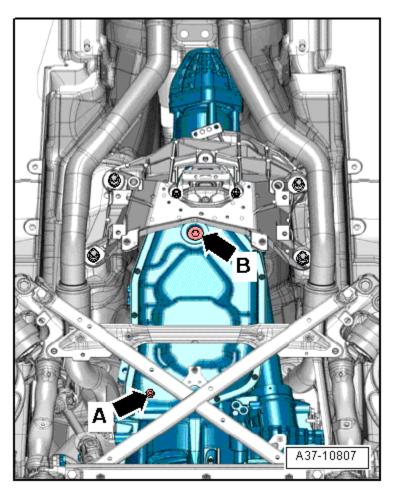
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 When an ATF temperature of 35 °C is reached, unscrew the ATF inspection plug -arrow B- and drain off any surplus ATF.



## Note

The ATF inspection plug is accessible via the opening in the tunnel cross member.

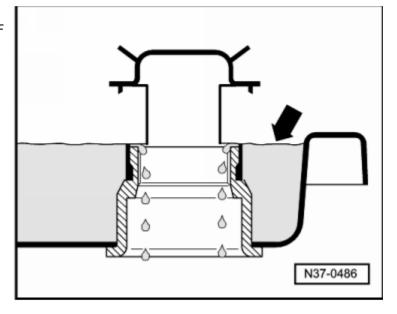


 If ATF comes out of the inspection hole before the ATF has reached 40°C, the ATF level -arrow- is OK.



# Note

The ATF inspection plug must be screwed in again at the latest when ATF reaches a temperature of 45 °C (countries with hot climates: 50 °C).



- Fit new seal -arrow- on ATF inspection plug and tighten to 9 Nm. The ATF level check is now completed.
- Install noise insulation → General body repairs, exterior; Rep. gr.66; Noise insulation; Exploded view - noise insulation.
- If no ATF emerges from ATF inspection hole when ATF has reached 40 °C:

#### Filling up ATF



#### Note

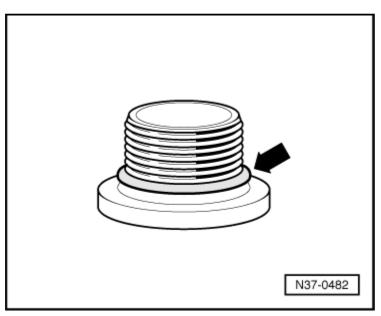
The ATF inspection plug must be screwed in again at the latest when ATF temperature reaches 45°C (or 50°C in hot climates). If necessary, switch off engine, allow gearbox to cool down and repeat the test.

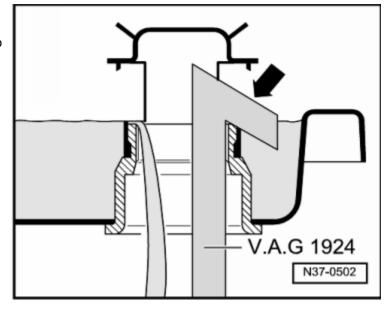
- Guide filler nozzle of ATF filling unit -V.A.G 1924- in from below through an opening in the deflector cap -arrow-, taking care not to push the deflector cap upwards out of position.
- Fill with ATF using ATF filling unit -V.A.G 1924- until ATF comes out of inspection hole.



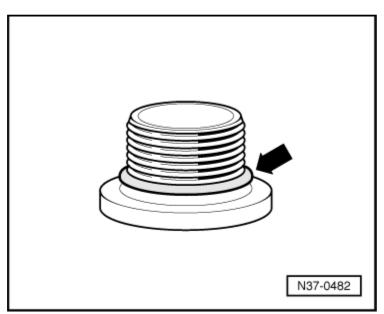
#### Note

The ATF level must not be too low or too high, otherwise this would impair the function of the gearbox.





 Fit new seal -arrow- on ATF inspection plug and tighten to 9 Nm. The ATF level check is now completed.



 Remove remaining ATF on tunnel cross member and clean tunnel cross member thoroughly.



## Note

- There are several recesses in the top of the tunnel cross member in which ATF can collect.
- These must be cleaned thoroughly.
- -Arrows- can be disregarded.
- Install rear noise insulation → General body repairs, exterior; Rep. gr.66; Noise insulation; Exploded view - noise insulation.

