

THE PROCEDURE OUTLINED IN THIS SERVICE INFORMATION BULLETIN SHOULD BE PERFORMED ON ALL AFFECTED VEHICLES THE NEXT TIME SUCH VEHICLE IS IN THE SHOP FOR MAINTENANCE OR REPAIRS.

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**SUBJECT:           Soft Top Material Rubs on Tension Spring Mount**

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**MODELS:**

325i Convertible (E30) with EM Soft Top

**Situation:**

When folded, the soft top material can rub up against the "T" bar mount that anchors the right side tension spring. After a period of time the top can be rubbed through.

**Vehicles Affected:**

All 325i Convertibles (E30) equipped with EM soft top (1991 and later model year).

In order to determine if a specific vehicle is affected by this Service Action, it will be necessary to utilize the "Service Menu" of the DCS (Dealer Communication System). Proceed to "Inquiries;" "Vehicle History" and enter the chassis number (last seven characters) of the vehicle in question. Based on the response of the system, either proceed with the corrective action or take no further action.

The Chassis Number Ranges listed below are **only** for informational purposes and are not to be considered as the only deciding factor. The affected vehicles are limited to vehicles within these ranges **but not all** of these vehicles are affected by the Service Action. The final decision is the DCS inquiry.

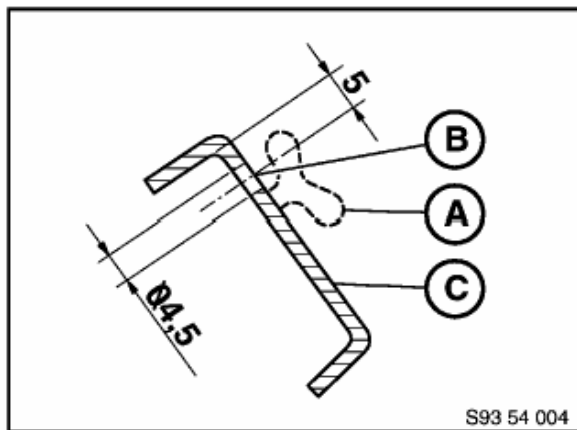
<b>Model</b>	<b>Chassis Number Ranges</b>
325i Convertible	EC 04728 - EC 07209
325iA Convertible	EC 24841 - EC 30295

**Correction:**

Whenever one of the affected vehicles is next in the work shop, modify the right side spring anchor as follows:

- Open the top partially to release the tension on the spring.
- Disconnect the spring from the "T" bar, and break the "T" (A) bar off of the frame.
- Pull the window seal partially out of the seal rail, and drill a 4.5mm hole (B), 5mm in from the edge of the frame (C), next to where the "T" bar was.

- Fasten the tension spring to the frame with a 4mm rivet (part number 07 12 9 948 753) and reinstall the window seal.

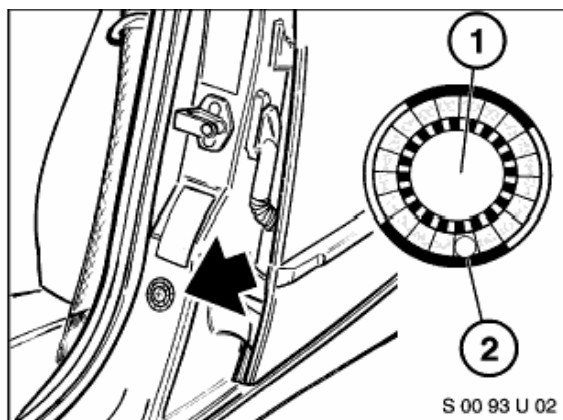


## Service Action Label

### Instructions:

This Service Action has been assigned code number **97**. After the vehicle has been checked, and corrected if necessary, obtain a label (SD 92-008) and:

- emboss your BMW dealer warranty number in the middle of the label (1);
- punch out code number **97** printed on the label (2); and
- bend the label to crease an edge and remove the backing paper. Then affix the label to the **B** pillar as shown:



If the vehicle already has a label from a previous Service Action/Recall Campaign, affix the new label next to the old one. Do not affix one label on top of another one because a number from an underlying label could appear in the punched-out hole of the new label.

## Warranty Information:

Parts and labor will be reimbursable under the terms of the applicable BMW New Car Limited Warranty via Campaign Entry.

Defect Code: 00 54 01 02 00

Work Package #1 Remove spring mount and rivet spring in place

Labor Operation: 00 51 504

Labor Allowance: 3 FRU  
Parts Allowance: 07 12 9 948 753 4mm Rivet Qty = 1