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Audi A8 S8

2015 Audi A8 S8 Owner's Manual

Your comprehensive guide to operating and maintaining your Audi A8 or S8.

Introduction

This manual provides essential information for the safe and efficient operation of your 2015 Audi A8 or S8. Please read it thoroughly to familiarize yourself with the vehicle's features, controls, and maintenance requirements. Understanding this information will enhance your driving experience and ensure the longevity of your vehicle.

For specific details not covered in this general overview, please refer to the complete digital owner's manual available through your Audi dealership or official Audi resources.

Setup and Initial Familiarization

Vehicle Access and Security

- **Key Fob:** Use the key fob to lock and unlock doors, the trunk, and activate the alarm system. Press the lock button once to lock all doors. Press the unlock button once to unlock the driver's door, or twice to unlock all doors.
- **Keyless Entry:** With the key fob in your possession, touch the door handle sensor to unlock or lock the vehicle.
- **Ignition:** Insert the key fob into the ignition slot or, with keyless start, press the brake pedal and then the START/STOP engine button.

Seat and Steering Wheel Adjustment

- **Seats:** Adjust the seat position, height, and backrest angle using the controls located on the side of the seat. Lumbar support and headrest height can also be adjusted for optimal comfort and safety.
- **Steering Wheel:** Adjust the steering wheel for reach and height using the lever or electric control, ensuring a comfortable driving position with clear visibility of the instrument cluster.
- **Memory Function:** Store preferred seat, steering wheel, and mirror positions using the memory buttons located on the driver's door.

Mirror Adjustment

- **Exterior Mirrors:** Use the control knob on the driver's door to select and adjust the left or right exterior mirror.
- **Interior Mirror:** Manually adjust the interior rearview mirror for optimal rear visibility.

Operating Your Audi A8 / S8

Starting and Driving

- **Starting the Engine:** Ensure the vehicle is in Park (P) or Neutral (N). Press the brake pedal and then the START/STOP engine button.
- **Automatic Transmission:** Select desired gear (P, R, N, D/S) using the gear selector. For manual shifting, move the selector to the manual gate or use the paddle shifters.
- **Parking Brake:** Engage the electronic parking brake by pulling the switch up. Release by pressing the switch down while the ignition is on and the brake pedal is depressed.

Infotainment System (MMI)

The Multi Media Interface (MMI) controls navigation, audio, communication, and vehicle settings. Operate it using the central control knob, buttons, and touchpad on the center console.

- **Navigation:** Enter destinations, view maps, and receive turn-by-turn directions.
- **Audio:** Select radio stations, play media from various sources (CD, SD card, Bluetooth, AUX), and adjust sound settings.
- **Telephone:** Connect your mobile phone via Bluetooth for hands-free calling and audio streaming.
- **Vehicle Settings:** Customize various vehicle functions, including lighting, central locking, and driver assistance systems.

Climate Control

The automatic climate control system allows you to set and maintain desired temperatures for different zones within the vehicle. Use the controls on the center console to adjust temperature, fan speed, air distribution, and activate features like seat heating/ventilation.

Maintenance and Care

Regular maintenance is crucial for the performance, safety, and longevity of your Audi. Adhere to the recommended service intervals.

Routine Checks

- **Engine Oil Level:** Check regularly using the MMI system or the dipstick (if equipped). Top up with approved oil if necessary.
- **Tire Pressure:** Verify tire pressure weekly, including the spare tire, and adjust to the recommended levels found on the driver's side door jamb or in this manual.
- **Washer Fluid:** Ensure the windshield washer fluid reservoir is adequately filled.
- **Brake Fluid:** Check the brake fluid level periodically. Consult a qualified workshop if the level is low.
- **Coolant Level:** Monitor the engine coolant level. If low, add approved coolant mixture.

Service Intervals

Your Audi is equipped with a service interval indicator. Follow the recommendations displayed in the instrument cluster or consult your authorized Audi service partner for scheduled maintenance, which typically includes oil changes, filter replacements, and comprehensive inspections.

Vehicle Cleaning

- **Exterior:** Wash the vehicle regularly using appropriate car wash soaps and methods to protect the paint finish.
- **Interior:** Clean interior surfaces with suitable automotive cleaning products. Vacuum carpets and upholstery as needed.

Troubleshooting Common Issues

This section addresses common issues you might encounter. For more complex problems, consult an authorized Audi service center.

Warning Lights

- **Check Engine Light:** If illuminated, it indicates an issue with the engine or emissions system. Have the vehicle inspected by a qualified technician promptly.
- **Oil Pressure Warning:** Stop the vehicle safely immediately and turn off the engine. Check the oil level. Do not drive if the light persists.
- **Brake System Warning:** Indicates a fault in the brake system. Drive cautiously to a service center or have the vehicle towed.
- **Tire Pressure Warning:** Check all tire pressures and inflate to recommended levels. If the light remains, there may be a slow leak or sensor issue.

Starting Problems

- **Engine Cranks but Won't Start:** Check fuel level. Ensure the key fob is recognized. If issues persist, a battery or ignition system fault may be present.
- **No Crank/No Start:** Check battery terminals for corrosion or looseness. The battery may be discharged. Try jump-starting the vehicle according to the instructions in the full owner's manual.

Electrical Issues

- **Fuses:** If an electrical component (e.g., radio, lights) stops working, check the relevant fuse in the fuse box. Refer to the fuse diagram in the full manual for locations and ratings.

Specifications

Below are general specifications for the 2015 Audi A8 and S8 models. Specific details may vary based on trim level, engine, and optional equipment.

Feature	Description
Engine Options	V6, V8, and W12 gasoline engines (A8); Twin-turbo V8 gasoline engine (S8)
Transmission	8-speed Tiptronic automatic
Drive Type	Quattro all-wheel drive
Fuel Type	Premium Unleaded Gasoline
Seating Capacity	5 passengers
Fuel Tank Capacity	Approximately 23.8 gallons (90 liters)
Tire Size	Varies by model and trim (e.g., 255/45 R19, 275/40 R20)

For precise specifications for your specific vehicle, refer to the vehicle's documentation or contact an authorized Audi dealer.

Warranty Information

Your 2015 Audi A8 or S8 is covered by a limited new vehicle warranty. This warranty covers defects in material or workmanship under normal use and maintenance for a specified period or mileage, whichever comes first.

- **Basic Limited Warranty:** Typically 4 years or 50,000 miles.
- **Powertrain Limited Warranty:** Typically 4 years or 50,000 miles.
- **Corrosion Perforation Limited Warranty:** Typically 12 years, unlimited mileage.

Please refer to your separate Warranty and Maintenance Booklet for complete terms, conditions, limitations, and exclusions of your vehicle's warranty coverage.

Customer Support and Resources

Should you require assistance or have questions regarding your Audi A8 or S8, please utilize the following resources:

- **Authorized Audi Dealer:** Your primary resource for service, parts, and technical support. Locate your nearest dealer via the official Audi website.
- **Audi Customer Service:** Contact Audi customer service for general inquiries or assistance. Refer to the official Audi website for contact details.
- **Official Audi Website:** Visit www.audiusa.com (or your regional Audi website) for digital manuals, service information, and product updates.
- **Roadside Assistance:** In case of a breakdown or emergency, contact Audi Roadside Assistance. Details are typically found on a sticker in your vehicle or in the full owner's manual.

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