



BMW 3 Series (E36) with the engines M43, M44, M52

No temperature regulation possible

If there are complaints about the above-mentioned fault, a displaced retaining pin could be the cause. "The heating can't be switched off" or "the heating is always the same temperature" are further complaints that could be heard from customers. A production fault causes the fresh air flap to stick to the housing of the heating and air conditioning unit. When the temperature selection wheel is turned, increased forces are involved which cause the retaining pin behind the cover on the eccentric wheel to become loose and break the connection between the temperature selection wheel and the eccentric wheel.

In this case the sealing lips of the fresh air flap have to be sprayed with lubricant (e.g. silicone). To replace the retaining pin the fan housing and fan motor have to be removed. From 1997 onwards, improved parts were installed in series production.

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