



BMW E 39 up to model year 09/1995 with velour seat covers

Airbag light illuminates for two minutes after the ignition has been switched on.

If there are complaints with these vehicles that the airbag warning light illuminates for 2 minutes after switching on and that fault code 25 "Seat user recognition - short-circuit in seat user recognition" is stored, one possible cause may be the sensor mat in the passenger seat. In this case, the resistance value of the sensor mat for seat user recognition is outside the tolerance value.

To eliminate the fault, the sensor mat must be replaced. To do this, proceed as follows:

- Switch off the ignition and separate the electrical connections of the passenger seat.
- Remove the passenger seat; remove the seat cover from the seat base.
- Replace the sensor mat.
- Fit the seat cover and refit the passenger seat.
- Re-establish the electrical connections.
- Delete the fault memory.

Note:

In the case of this fault the airbag system remains active. However, the passenger airbag will no longer be deployed selectively but will be deployed even if the passenger seat is not occupied.