

Difficult gear change or clutch making a noise

Part Number: 826712 and 826729

For Vehicle: Skoda Octavia 1.9tdi 2004-2008

The Valeo Service Technical department have received several claims stating that after fitment of the clutch kit 826712 or 826729, difficulty with changing gears is being experienced.

The issue relates to changing from third to fourth gear, also, a creaking noise when the clutch pedal is depressed, coupled with an audible noise when fifth gear is engaged.

After investigating the issue Valeo technicians have identified that the clutch kit itself is not at fault, the actual cause is a worn or faulty third and fourth gear synchro hub ring creating poor engagement on the gears. The creaking noise is caused by poor contact or location between the clutch release bearing and release arm. The noise when fifth gear is engaged may be caused by some wear and tear to the toothed gears.

To fix the issue please ensure the following steps are completed:

Difficult gear change:

- 1) Renew the third and fourth gear synchro hub (OE Code: 35 40 37 50)

Creaking noises when the clutch pedal is depressed:

- 1) Renew the ball pin (OE Code: 02A 141 777 B) and apply grease to the contact point of the clutch bearing release lever.

Noise from the transmission when fifth gear is engaged:

- 1) Renew both gearwheels (OE Code: 35 75 55 99) Tighten the bolts 80 Nm.

Please note there is no need to change the clutch