



VW Golf III All models

Engine does not start up, warning lights go out during the start-up process, S-contact not working.

If there are complaints about the above-mentioned faults with these vehicles, one possible cause is a faulty ignition switch (see photo) behind the ignition lock. A contact fault in the ignition switch causes the contact to the connection terminals to break off during the start-up process. The S-contact (radio switches on as soon as the ignition key is inserted in the lock) is also affected by this fault. The ignition switch has to be replaced for the fault to be eliminated. To do this proceed as follows:

- Disconnect the battery (note: write down the radio code)
- Remove airbag (if present) and steering wheel.
- Remove indicator and wiper switches.
- Pull the split taper socket off with the aid of a removal tool.
- Drill the breaking screw out of the steering lock and pull the steering lock off the steering column.
- Remove the ignition switch on the reverse of the ignition lock (fastened in place by one screw) and install the new switch.
- Replace the components in reverse order.
- Connect the battery, enter the radio code and check all systems to make sure they are working.



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Ignition switch

