

Subject: Engine oils

Affected engine models: All engines models

L 1700
L 2000
L 2400

Background information:

The engine oil specification released to date in accordance with API-SE or higher has repeatedly given cause for complaint. When inexpensive engine oils have been used, there has sometimes been cracking of the engine oil between valve shaft and valve guide of the exhaust valve. In extreme cases, this could lead to the valve sticking in the guide.

Priority: At next scheduled oil change

Compliance: Only quality engine oils mineral based or partially synthetic oils that comply at least with API-SG or API-SH specification may be used. These oils must also comply with Volkswagen standards VW 501 01 or VW 500 00. These modified specifications are to be entered by hand in operating manuals. These specifications will be integrated in the next revision of the operating manuals.

Remarks: Oils of the large mineral oil companies such as Agip, Aral, BP, Castrol, Dea, Elf, Esso, Mobil, Shell, Texaco and Veedol are to be understood as quality engine oils (Trademarks property of respective owners).

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