



Installation instructions

Audi A3 Sportback (8V4) 2013 ►

**Roof Bars for Scope of Delivery 8V4.071.126
(For Vehicles without Roof Rail)
Audi Genuine Accessories®**

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1 General Notes

Please read these instructions carefully and note the WARNING, Caution and Note descriptions before fitting the roof bars.



WARNING

Text with this symbol contains information concerning your safety and indicates potential accident and injury risks.



Caution

Text with this symbol indicates the risk of damage to your vehicle.



Note

Text with this symbol contains additional information.

Audi AG shall not accept responsibility in the event of failure to comply with these assembly instructions.



2 Safety Notes

WARNING

Do not exceed the permissible roof load of 75 kg (165 lbs) — risk of accident!

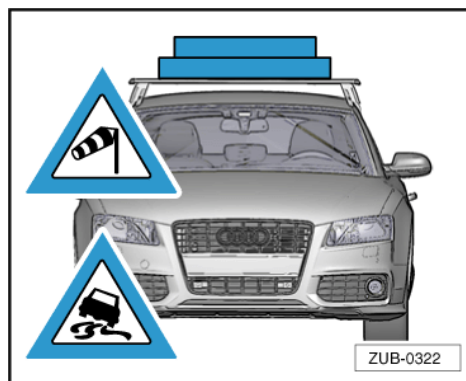
Do not exceed the gross vehicle weight rating of roof bars, add-on components and load of 75 kg (165 lbs).

Sensitivity to Side Winds

WARNING

The driving and braking behavior and the vehicle's sensitivity to side winds change as a result of roof load. Adapt your driving style accordingly — risk of accident!

It is recommended that you do not exceed 130 km/h (81 mph).

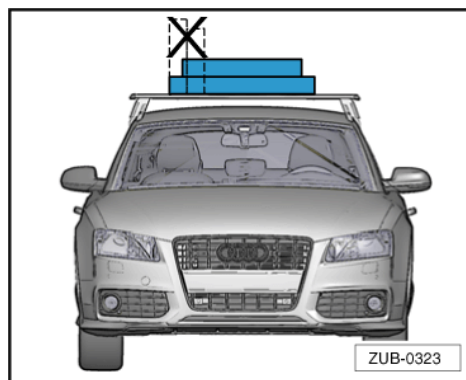


Load — Load Correctly for the Load in Question

WARNING

Load roof load on roof bars in the correct manner for the load in question — risk of accident!

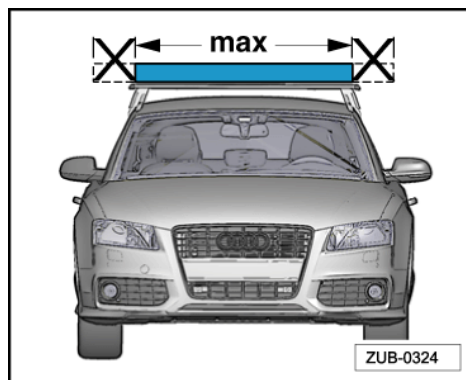
Avoid loading on one side — risk of accident!



Load — Width

WARNING

Do not exceed the maximum width of the roof bars — risk of accident!

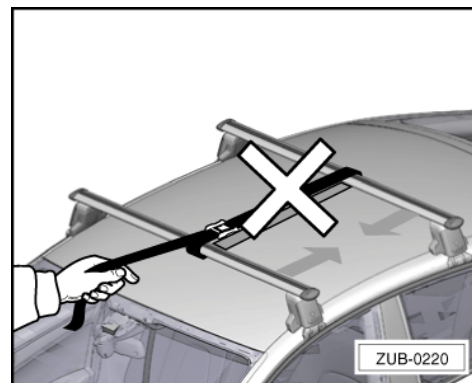




Load — Do Not Tension Roof Bars Against Each Other

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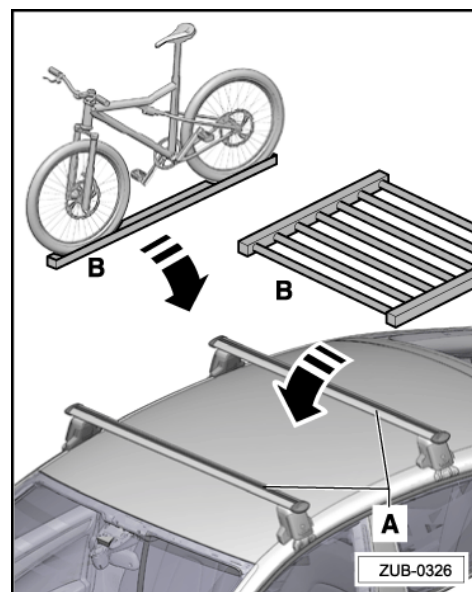
Do not tension roof bars against each other — risk of accident!



Load — Fit the Roof Bars First, Then Install the Add-On Components

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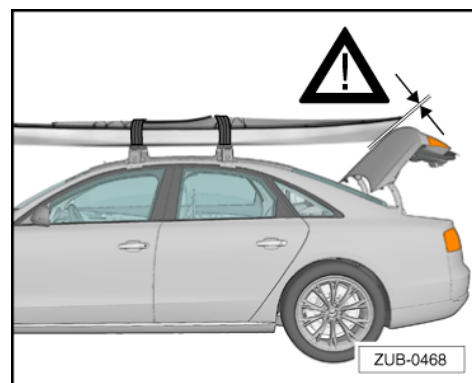
Only fit the add-on components once the roof bars have been installed on the vehicle — risk of accident!



Load — Room to Open Rear Lid

Caution

To prevent damage to the vehicle, make sure that you open the rear lid carefully when installing add-on components (such as a roof box, bicycle rack etc.) and when transporting long items. It is recommended that you adjust the opening angle if necessary (see Vehicle Owner's Manual for details) for vehicles with automatic rear lids.

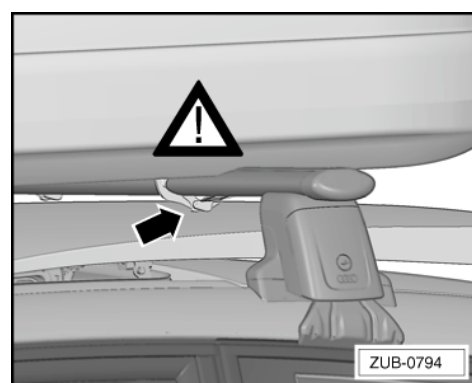


Load — Room to Open Sliding/Tilting Sunroof

Caution

Add-on components (such as a roof box, bicycle rack etc.) must be securely fastened in the T groove on vehicles with a sliding/tilting sunroof.

When installing add-on components, check that there is enough room above the sliding/tilting sunroof before opening it. If the add-on components are secured using assembly brackets, the sliding/tilting sunroof must not be opened — risk of damage resulting from a collision!





General Safety Notes

WARNING

Please read these assembly instructions carefully before starting installation. Non-compliance with these assembly instructions and safety notes will compromise your safety and that of third parties.

WARNING

All bolt connections and connections for the roof bars and for the add-on components must be checked prior to traveling to make sure they are positioned and installed correctly. Tighten if necessary.

Recheck bolt connections and connections at appropriate intervals and tighten if necessary. The bolt connections and connections must be checked regularly if traveling on a poor stretch of road.

If this guideline is not observed, this can result in the roof bars or the add-on components becoming loose or falling off — risk of accident!

WARNING

For the safety of other road-users, the roof bars and any add-on components must be removed from the vehicle when not in use.

WARNING

Repairs or the replacement of parts must only be performed by a qualified workshop. It is recommended that genuine spare parts available from your Audi partner are used.

Caution

The height of the vehicle will change as a result of fitting a roof bar with/without add-on components. Please pay attention to this when entering garages, driving through tunnels, underpasses etc.

Caution

Do not enter a car wash with roof bars with/without add-on components fitted.



3 Parts

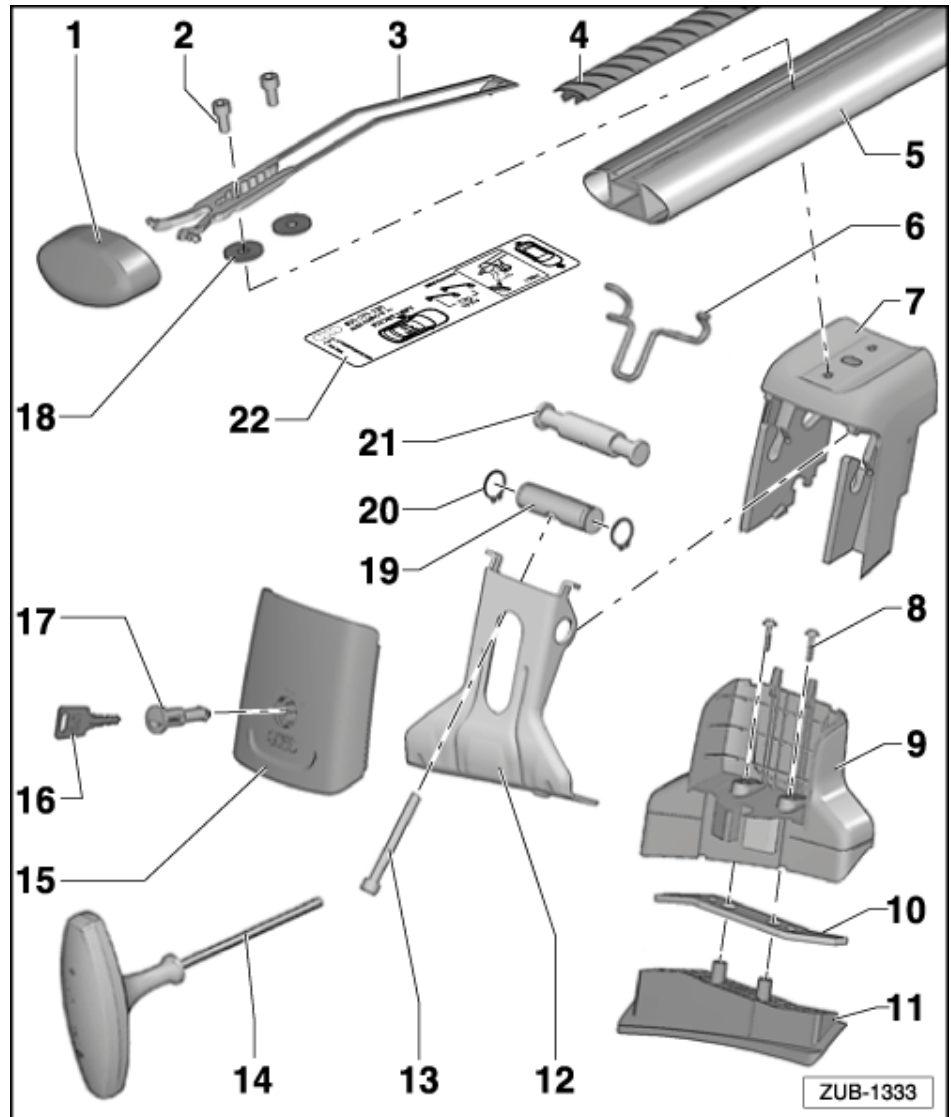
3.1 Scope of Delivery

- Before fitting the roof bars, check that you have all of the parts from the scope of delivery.

Units	Description	Information
1	Front roof bars	Label on the underside in direction of travel (left)
1	Rear roof bars	Label on the underside in direction of travel (left)
2	Profile covers	Length: 1250 mm
1	Torque wrench (4 Nm)	
2	Key	
1	Installation instructions	

3.2 Parts Overview

- 1 - Profile cap (4x)
- 2 - Hexagon bolt, M6 x 12 (8x)
- 3 - Profile cap rebound strap (4x)
- 4 - Profile cover
- 5 - Profile tube (2x)
- 6 - Hinge wire (4x)
- 7 - Base bracket (4x)
- 8 - Screw, 4x15 (8x)
- 9 - Plastic base support (4x)
- 10 - Insert (4x)
- 11 - Roof support (4x)
- 12 - Claw fastener (4x)
- 13 - Tensioning bolt (4x)
- 14 - Torque wrench
- 15 - Cover flap (4x)
- 16 - Key (2x)
- 17 - Lock (4x)
- 18 - Washer, M6 (8x)
- 19 - Claw fastener bolt
- 20 - Circlip
- 21 - Base bracket bolt
- 22 - Label (2x)





4 Fitting/Removing the Roof Bars

4.1 Fitting Roof Bars on the Vehicle

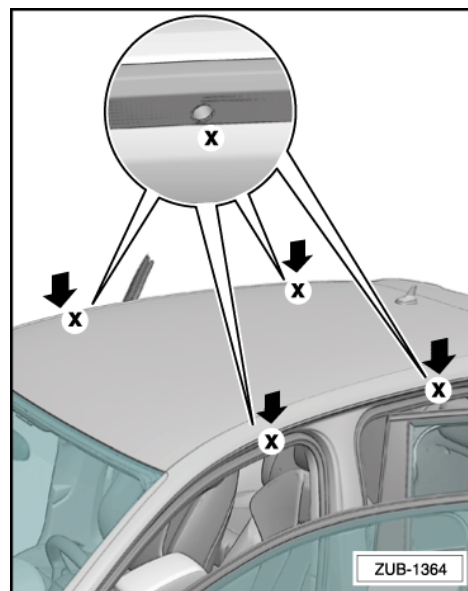
Note

The roof bars must be fitted by two people.

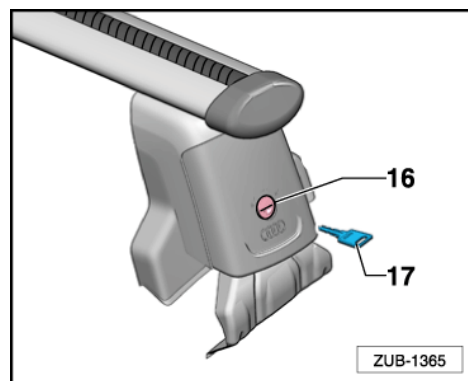
- Open the vehicle doors.

The mounting holes -X- are located on the undersides of the decorative roof trims.

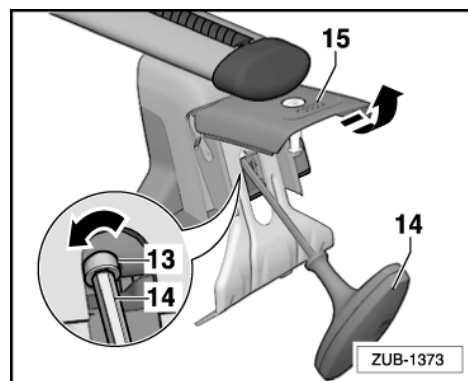
- Clean the contact area between the vehicle roof and the roof bars thoroughly (they should be free from dust and grease).



- Open the lock -16- using the key -17-.
- Note the key number of your roof bars. This will facilitate replacement in the event of loss.

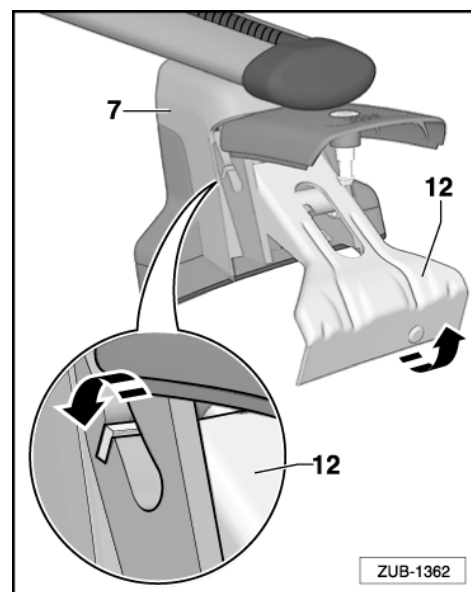


- Open the cover flap -15-.
- Connect the torque wrench -14- to the tensioning bolt -13- and unscrew until a certain amount of resistance is detected.





- Swivel out the claw fasteners -12- and hook the narrow end of the claw fasteners in the installation position on the base brackets -7-.
- Open the vehicle doors.

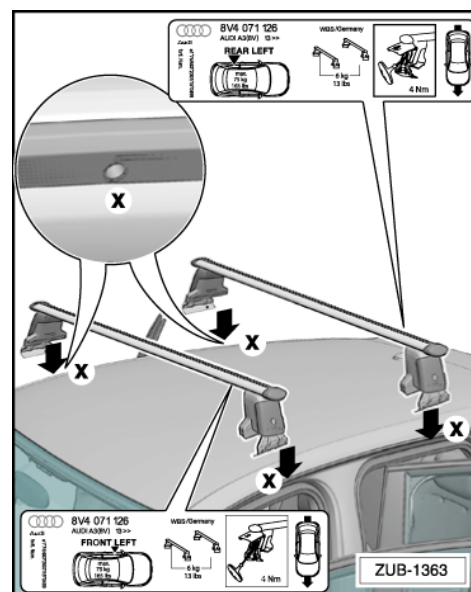


- Carefully position both roof bars on the vehicle roof in the area of the mounting holes -X-. The claw fasteners -12- must be in the installation position when positioning the roof bars. Observe the labels -22- on the underside of the profile tubes when positioning the roof bars.

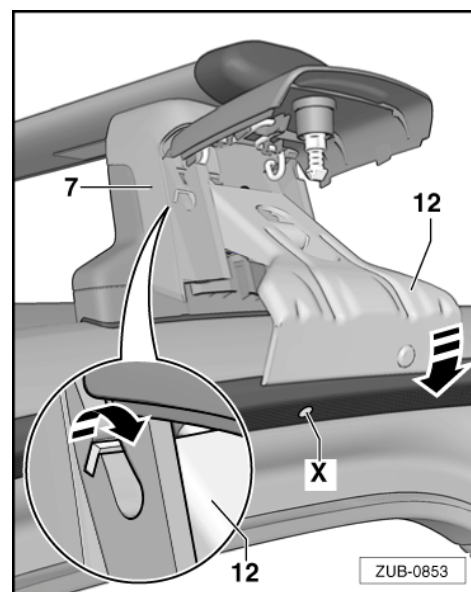


Note

The labels must be on the left-hand side of the vehicle and the printed arrow must point in the direction of travel.



- Unhook the claw fastener -12- from the installation position on the base bracket -7- by pulling upward, then swivel down.





- Check the exact installation position of each roof bar:
- The positioning bolt -Z- of the claw fastener -12- must be positioned precisely below the decorative roof trim mounting hole -X-.
- Move the roof bar forward or backward if necessary.

! Caution

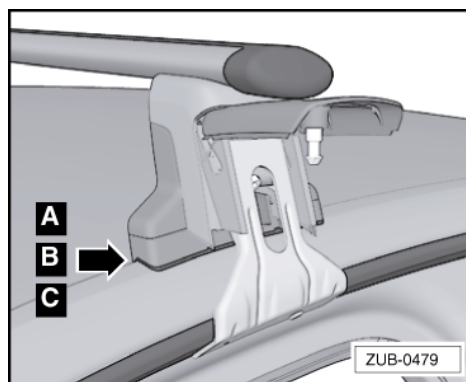
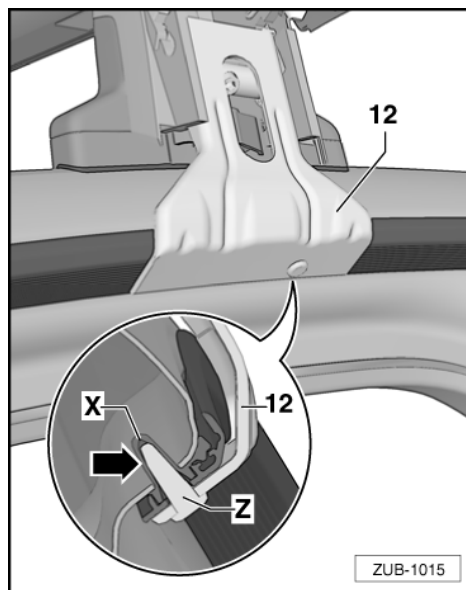
The positioning bolt -Z- of the claw fastener -12- must be positioned precisely under the mounting hole -X-.

- Carefully slide the claw fastener -12- upwards so that the positioning bolt -Z- is inserted into the mounting hole -X-; hold the claw fastener -12- in this position -arrow-.

! Caution

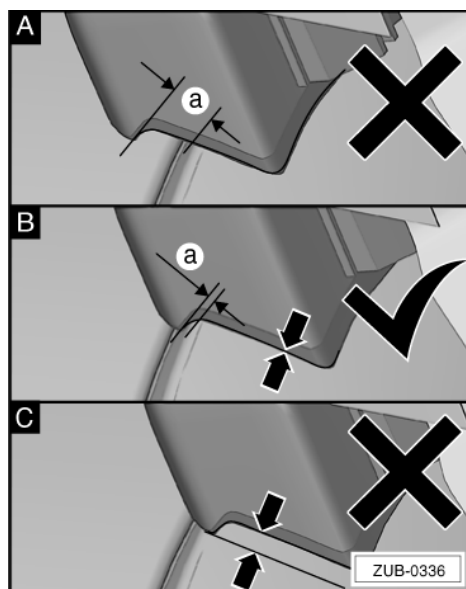
If the claw fastener -12- will not easily slide upwards, check the position of the roof bar and correct it.

- Align the roof bar laterally — make sure it sits correctly on the roof edge -arrow-.



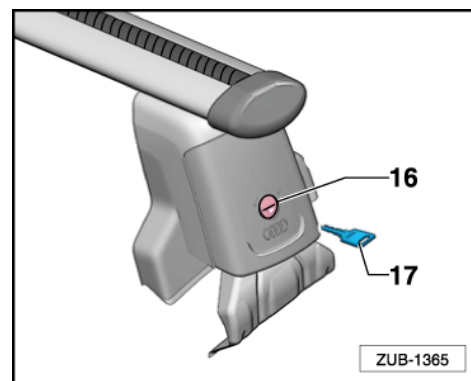
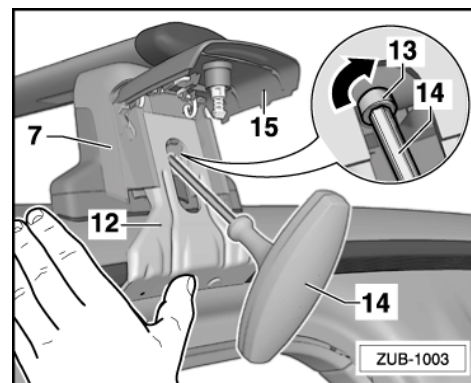
The gap -a- must not exceed 1 mm.

If the roof supports -11- on the plastic base support are not flush to the surface, we recommend that you have the width adjustment checked by a qualified workshop ⇒ **“Setting the Roof Bar Width” on page 11**. Remove the roof bars before doing so.



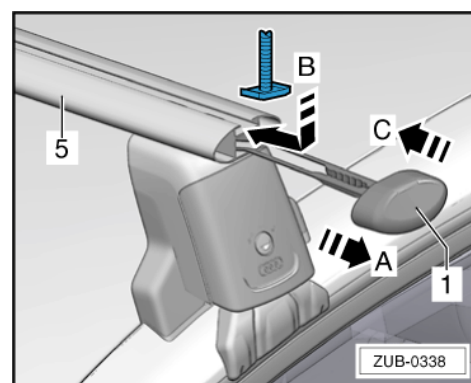


- Gently tighten the tensioning bolts -13- alternately using the torque wrench -14-.
- Check the position of the base bracket -7- and claw fastener -12- and correct if necessary.
- Tighten one tensioning bolt -13- after another using the torque wrench -14- until the torque wrench -14- makes an audible clicking sound. This indicates that the correct tightening torque has been applied.
- Close the cover flap -15-.
- Close the lock -16- using the key -17-.
- Fit the second roof bar following the same procedure.



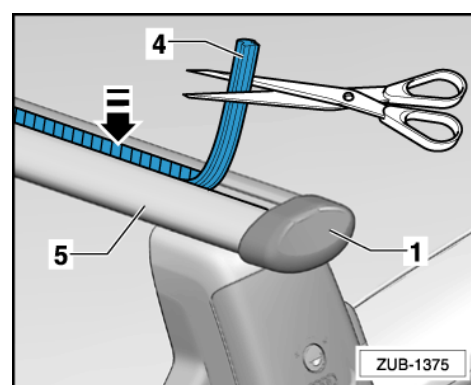
4.2 Installing Add-On Components

- Secure the add-on components in accordance with the relevant assembly instructions.
- To install add-on components, remove the profile cap -1- from the profile tube -5- -arrow A-.
- Guide the add-on components into the T groove -arrow B- and secure in accordance with the relevant assembly instructions for the add-on component.
- Slide the profile cap -1- back on -arrow C-.



When the add-on components are not in use, secure the T groove with the profile cover -4-.

- Adjust the profile cover -4- to the length of the profile tubes with the profile caps -1- closed.
- Place the profile cover -4- on the T groove on the profile tube -5- and press the cover into the T groove -arrow-.



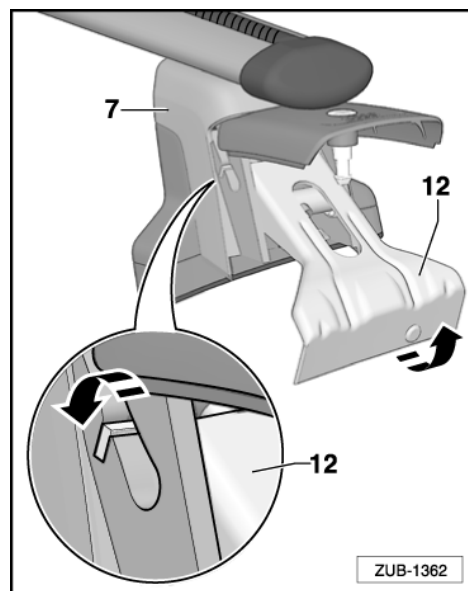
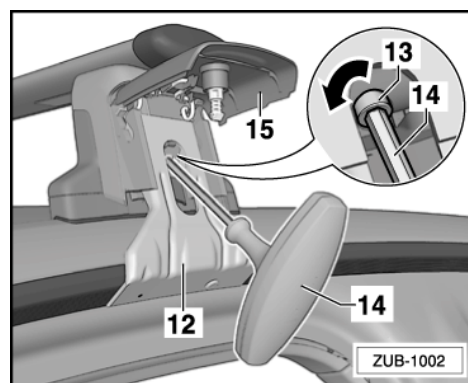


i Note

- ◆ When driving with a roof load, make sure that the German Road Traffic Regulations (StVZO) or any country-specific regulations are observed.
- ◆ For reasons of convenience, it is common for the roof bars with/without add-on components to remain on the vehicle, even when not in use. As a result of the increased wind resistance, your vehicle will consume more fuel and will generate additional noise. We therefore recommend that you remove the roof bars after use.
- ◆ Increased wind noise can result from driving with the roof bars attached.

4.3 Removing the Roof Bars from the Vehicle

- Remove the load and any add-on components.
- Open the lock -16- using the key -17- and open the cover flap -15-.
- Open the vehicle doors.
- Unscrew the left and right tensioning bolts -13- alternately using the torque wrench -14- until a certain amount of resistance is detected.
- Slide the left and right claw fasteners -12- downward as far as they will go. The positioning bolt -Z- should no longer be in the mounting hole -X-.
- Swivel the claw fasteners -12- upward and hook the narrow end into the installation position on the base bracket -7-.
- Remove the roof bars from the vehicle roof.
- Unhook the claw fasteners -12- from the installation position and swivel downward.
- Screw in the tensioning bolt -13- by approx. 10 rotations.
- Close the cover flap -15- and close the lock -16- using the key -17-.



4.4 General Notes

Technical Data

Weight of roof bar set: approx. 6 kg (13 lbs).



Roof Load/Load

To determine the roof load:

- | |
|------------------------------|
| Weight of the roof bars |
| + Weight of add-on component |
| + Weight of the load |
| = Roof load |



WARNING

Never exceed

- ◆ **the maximum permissible roof load (75 kg/165 lbs)**
- ◆ **the gross axle weight rating**
- ◆ **the gross vehicle weight rating**

of your vehicle ⇒ Vehicle Owner's Manual — risk of accident!

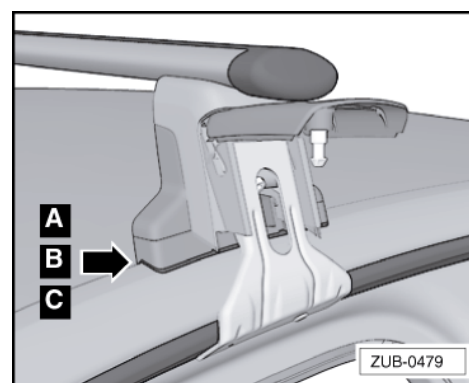
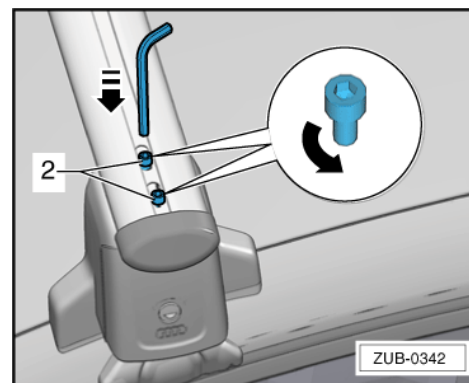
Maintenance instructions:

The roof bars should always be cleaned and kept in good order. It is particularly important to remove any dirt and salt in the winter.

4.5 Setting the Roof Bar Width

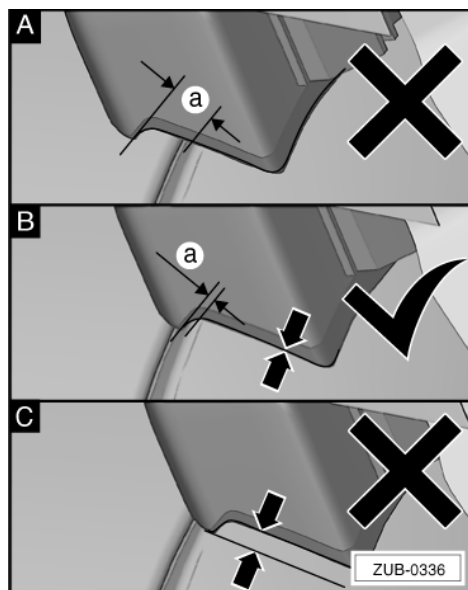
Instructions for the qualified workshop if the position of the support bracket for the relevant vehicle is not set correctly.

- Fit the roof bars on the vehicle ⇒ [Page 6](#).
- Use a hexagon socket wrench (5 mm) to unscrew the hexagon bolts -2- on the right-hand support bracket far enough that the support bracket can be moved. The roof bar remains on the vehicle roof during this process.
- Adjust the roof bar so that the roof support -11- on the right-hand plastic base support sits flush with the roof edge -arrow-.





The gap -a- must not exceed 1 mm.



- Tighten the hexagon bolts -2- to 8 Nm.
- Repeat the procedure on the other roof bar.

⚠ WARNING

Check that all hexagon bolts have been tightened (to 8 Nm). If this guideline is not observed, this can result in the roof bars becoming loose or falling off — risk of accident!

