



## INSTALLATION GUIDE

### **2010+ Audi S5 3.0T Cabriolet Touring Edition Exhaust System 102mm Tips**

Congratulations on your purchase of the AWE Tuning Touring Edition exhaust for the 2010+ Audi S5 3.0T Cabriolet.

Exquisite build quality with industry leading performance distinguishes this exhaust system from all others.

**Contact us with any installation questions.**

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## PARTS LIST

### Exhaust System

- 1 midmuffler/x-pipe assembly (part EA)
- 1 driver side midpipe (part EB)
- 1 passenger side midpipe (part EC)
- 1 passenger side midpipe (part ED)
- 1 driver side rear assembly (part DT)
- 1 passenger side rear assembly (part DU)
- 4 102mm exhaust tip (optional finish)
- 4 2.38" t-bolt clamp
- 5 2.50" exhaust band clamp
- 1 3/8"-16x1.25" SS bolt
- 1 3/8"-16 SS nut
- 2 3/8" washer
- 1 3/8" lock washer
- 2 M8 SS fender washer
- 4 chassis bar stainless spacer (3/8" thick)
- 4 M10 x 35mm bolt
- 4 M10 washer
- 2 hanger post clamp
- 1 9/64" allen wrench (for hanger post clamp)

### Optional Downpipes

- 1 driver side flex section (CG1)
- 1 passenger side flex section (CG2)
- 2 resonator (or tube) section (CG3, 5)
- 6 M8 x 30mm SS bolt
- 6 M8 washer
- 6 M8 copper exhaust nut
- 2 manifold to downpipe gasket
- 2 2.50" exhaust band clamp

## Step 1

### For 2013+ model year cars:

It is imperative that the factory "SoundAktor" system be disabled to ensure a drone-free sound experience.

The "SoundAktor" is an audio file that is broadcast over the vehicle's stereo system, regardless of what Drive Select mode the car is set to. On a stock exhaust, this sound file is supposed to make the car sound more sporty and aggressive. However, when combined with the inherent acoustic properties of the AWE Tuning performance exhaust, the total sound volume becomes too loud and can be bothersome under light throttle driving conditions.

### REMOVAL OF THE SOUNDAKTOR FUSE IS REQUIRED TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH OUR SATISFACTION GUARANTEE.

To remove fuse, first consult the fuse location diagram in your car's Owner's Manual.

Typically, the fuse is labeled "Sound actuator/exhaust sound tuning" and is located at position 5 of fuse block A on the driver's side end of the dashboard. To access this fuse box, wedge a flat head screwdriver under its cover to pry it off. Note that there are three clips, at arrows in **Figure 1**.

Factory fuse puller tool is at **Arrow A** in **Figure 1**.

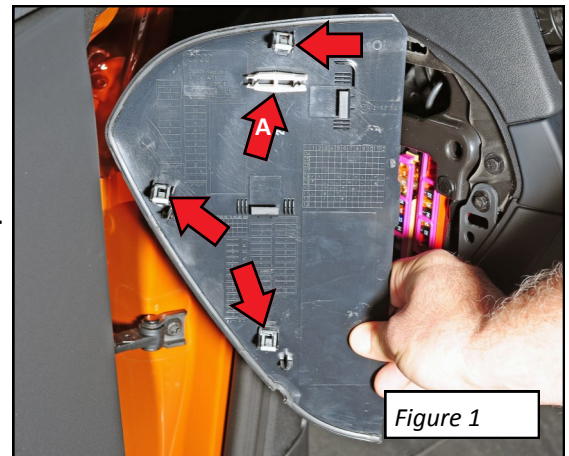


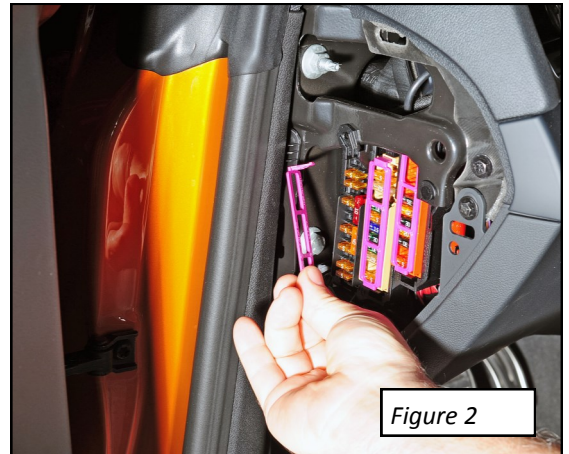
Figure 1

## Step 2

### **For 2013+ model year cars, continued:**

Pop off the purple fuse guard frame on the proper fuse block.

Remove the proper fuse as listed in your Owner's Manual. Reassemble fuse block and cover.



## Step 3

### **For all model year cars, installing Optional Downpipes:**

Before removing the factory downpipes, first soak the fasteners in a penetrating oil for several hours to ensure easy removal.

Fasteners and gaskets are included with the optional downpipes to replace the factory parts. Use a quality anti-seize compound on all fastener threads during re-assembly.

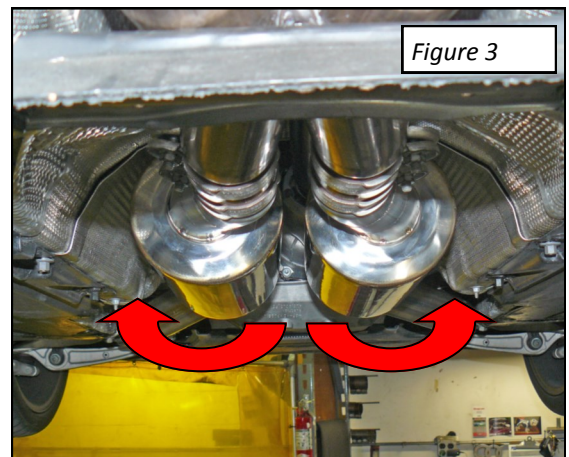
## Step 4

With the system completely cool:

While underneath and looking towards the front of the car, as in **Figure 3**, rotate the LEFT side AWE Tuning downpipe resonator clockwise, as far as it will go until it hits the tunnel, and then back it off a few mm. Do the same with the RIGHT side one, rotating it counter clockwise.

If non-resonated downpipes are being installed, rotate the lower sections so that sufficient clearance is gained at the tunnel cross brace that runs beneath them.

After properly adjusting, tighten the clamps that attach the lower sections to the downpipe upper sections.



## Step 5

Next install the mid-muffler section, re-using the factory sleeve clamps, making sure the muffler inlets/outlets are sitting level to the bottom of the car.

Tighten the factory sleeve clamps between the downpipe lower sections and the mid-muffler section.

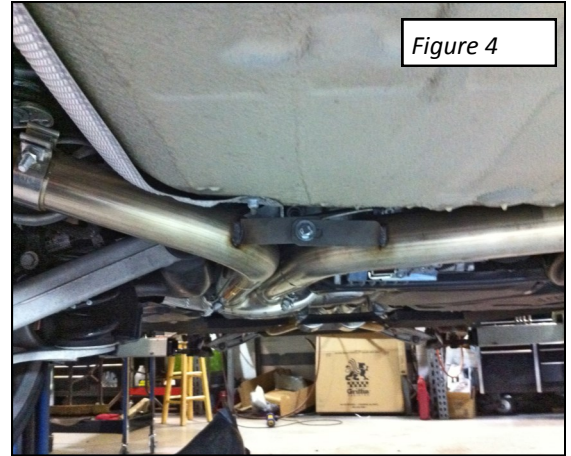


Figure 4

## Step 6

At the rear of the car, install the LEFT side tube that runs between the mid-muffler and the rear resonator. Then install the RIGHT side tube that runs between mid-muffler and the rear resonator. Install the rear tube cross-bracket fasteners loosely in the bracket holes, at arrow in **Figure 5**.

Install the rear resonator assemblies.

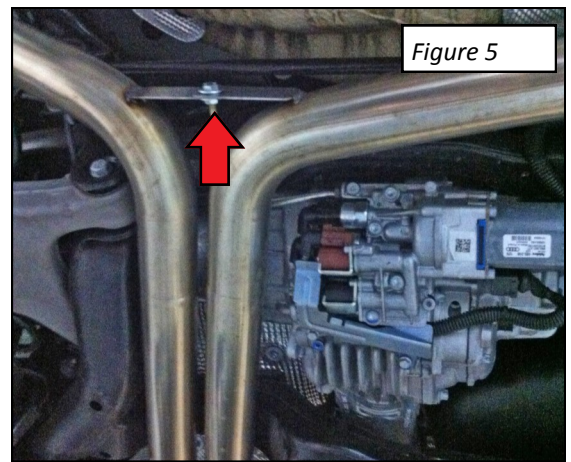


Figure 5

## Step 7

While conducting the install of the AWE Tuning exhaust:

Seat all slip joints so that all the rubber exhaust hangers point towards the front of the car when the system is cold, as shown in **Figure 6**.

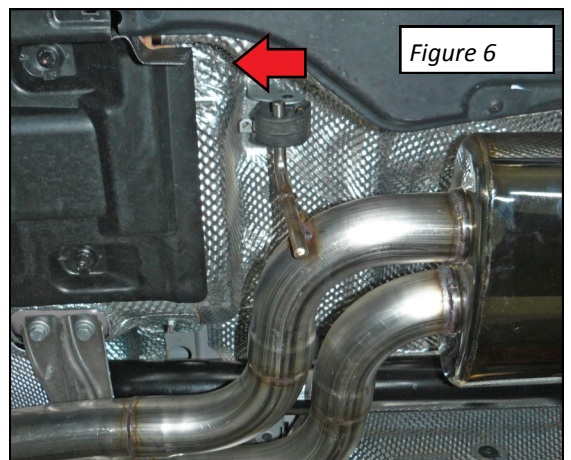


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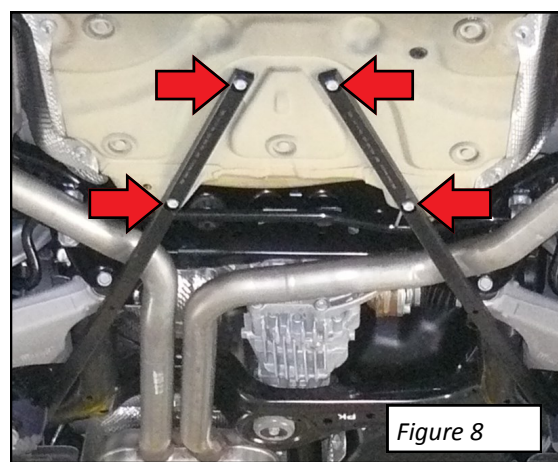
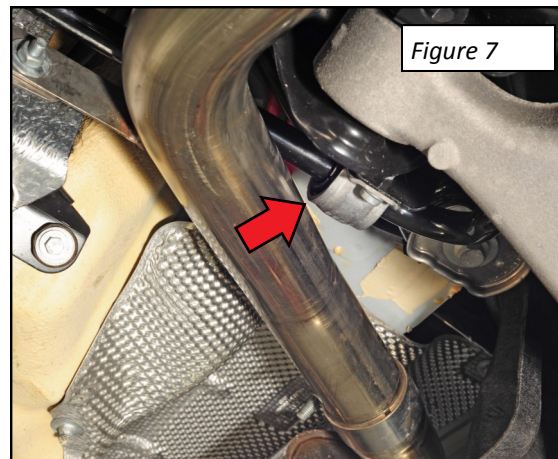
## Step 8

With the slip joint clamps loose, adjust the rear resonators so that the tailpipe outlets are level left to right and are centered in the bumper valance openings. To allow the condensation hole in the bottom each resonator to properly drain, make sure that the back (tailpipe side) of the resonators are pointing slightly lower than the fronts (inlet side). Rotate the inlet tubes to correct for this angle. Adjust the slip joints in and out to center the tips. Once lined up and there is proper clearance around the rear differential and swaybar, as shown at arrow in **Figure 7**, tighten the clamps.

Please note that there may be little or no clearance between these tubes and the back of the rear wheel housing liners when the system is cold.

Before re-installing the factory chassis stiffening bars, place a supplied stainless steel spacer between the bar and chassis, at arrows in **Figure 8**.

Use the supplied M10x35mm bolts, each with a washer, to fasten the bars to the chassis with the spacers in place.



## Step 9

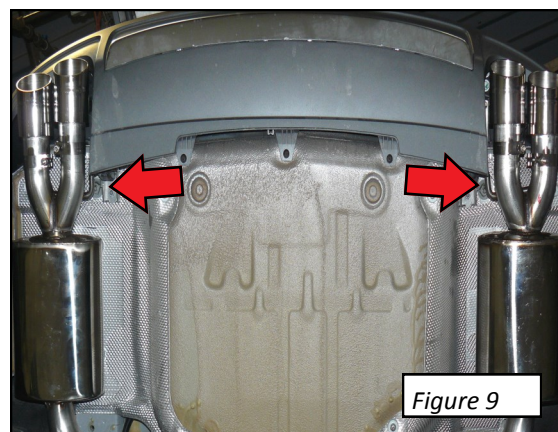
Before tightening down all the clamps on the system, install the exhaust tips and their 2 3/8" t-bolt clamps on the tailpipes. Set final tip rotation for proper logo appearance, side by side stagger, and overall length in relation to the bumper. **Once tips are aligned, tighten their t-bolt clamps until the tips will not rotate, then do an additional full turn on the nut.**

Also if necessary, use the enclosed M8 fender washers between the rubber hanger mount and the body (at arrows in **Figure 9**), in order to match the higher side to the lower side.

The factory rubber hanger mount can also be shifted right and left to center the tips. This adjustment should be done with the cross-bracket loose between the two mid-section outlet pipes.

Once tips are centered and level, tighten the cross-bracket and rubber hanger mount fasteners.

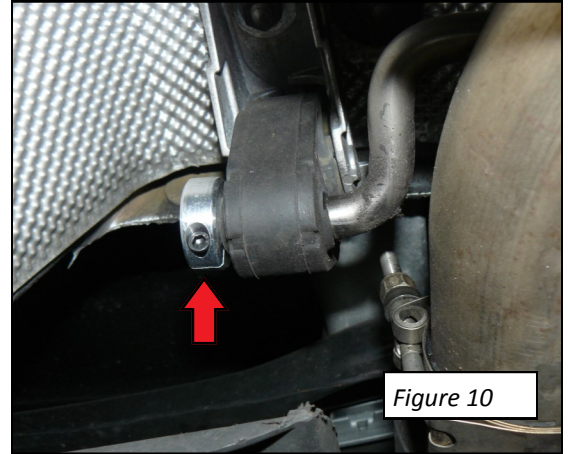
Tighten all the supplied Accu-Seal clamps to 40 ft/lbs. Once the system is fully tightened, go back and adjust the tips if necessary.



## Step 10

Once the exhaust system is properly adjusted, install a hanger post clamp on each of the rear muffler hanger posts, as shown at arrow in **Figure 10**. Slide the clamp onto the hanger post so that it sits snug against the rubber element, and then tighten down with the enclosed allen wrench.

These clamps will keep the exhaust from sliding laterally under usage and will keep the tips properly aligned in the valance openings.



## ENJOY

Once installed properly, your AWE Tuning high performance exhaust will provide years of trouble free performance.

Please note that each rear Helmholtz resonator has a small drain hole to allow condensation to escape. Water drops from this area are normal.

Also, please note that the exhaust volume and sound will settle with usage. 800-1000 miles is typically required to fully break in a new exhaust system.

Periodic cleaning of exhaust tips is necessary to maintain proper finish, especially in areas prone to road salt and caustic deicing solutions.

Do NOT use metal polish on our Diamond Black or Chrome finish tips. Instead, periodically use a mild soap



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**By installing or using the purchased product, the Consumer accepts this warranty and any specific Manufacturer warranties enclosed.**

## Limited Warranty

The following warranty is valid only in the United States.

The Manufacturer's full warranty applies to all products sold.

Secor Ltd. (AWE Tuning) warrants to the original retail purchaser (Consumer) this product:

**B8/B8.5 S5 Cabrio Touring Edition Exhaust System and Downpipes against manufacturing defects for LIFETIME**  
**B8/B8.5 S5 Cabrio Touring Edition Exhaust Tip Finish against manufacturing defects for ONE (1) YEAR**

Upon verification of warranty coverage, AWE Tuning will repair or replace the defective product at their discretion, without charge. This is the only remedy the Consumer has for any loss or damage, however arising, due to nonconformity in or defect of the product. This warranty does not cover consequential damage, loss of time or revenues, inconvenience, installation costs, shipping costs, loss of use of vehicle, damage to the vehicle or components, or other incidental or indirect damage.

All warranties are void if the product was not installed by a certified auto mechanic, improperly serviced, modified, or used in a way not intended by the Manufacturer. Use of product in Motorsports or Racing conditions is grounds for warranty denial. Motorsports and Racing is an inherently abusive operational condition, and it is impossible to warranty for this type of usage.

The Consumer is responsible for ensuring that the product is installed in a safe and proper manner, and should cease usage of the product immediately if an unsafe or improper condition is noted. If an unsafe or improper condition is noted, the Consumer should then immediately contact the facility where the product was installed or AWE Tuning directly.

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