

VAG Group Chassis Codes

Belt drive system market leader Gates have recently reported that many installers are contacting their technical hotline with queries regarding VAG group chassis codes. To aid installers with this query, Gates provide some guidance on the usage of these codes:

Every European chassis number has 17 positions:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
W	V	W	Z	Z	Z	1	D	X	Y	U	0	0	0	0	0	1

In the Gates catalogue only the last 11 positions are mentioned:

7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
1	D	-	Y	-	0	0	0	0	0	1

Position 9 and 11 become '-' and position 10 indicates the model year (in this case 2000)

1996 = T 1997 = V 1998 = W 1999 = X 2000 = Y 2001 = 1

2002 = 2 2003 = 3 etc.

Example

Audi A4, 2.0 FSi, 20V, Engine Code: AWA

Chassis Number: WAUZZZ8E53A397722

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
W	A	U	Z	Z	Z	8	E	5	3	A	3	9	7	7	2	2

How to use the information:

1. Disregard the first 6 positions – these indicate the make and model of the vehicle which you would already know
2. Positions 7 and 8 start the number in the Gates catalogue:

7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
8	E	-	3	-	3	9	7	7	2	2

3. Position 10 is the model year indicator:

7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
8	E	-	3	-	3	9	7	7	2	2

4. Look up the relevant kit in the Gates catalogue, in this case there is a choice of two – K015616XS being the correct choice.



|->CH NR 8E - 3 - 390001 ->|CH NR 8E - 4 - 400000
|->CH NR 8E - 5 - 0000001

K015616XS
K025604XS