

# SERVICE INDICATOR & WARNING LIGHTS

## Article Text

1991 Volkswagen Passat

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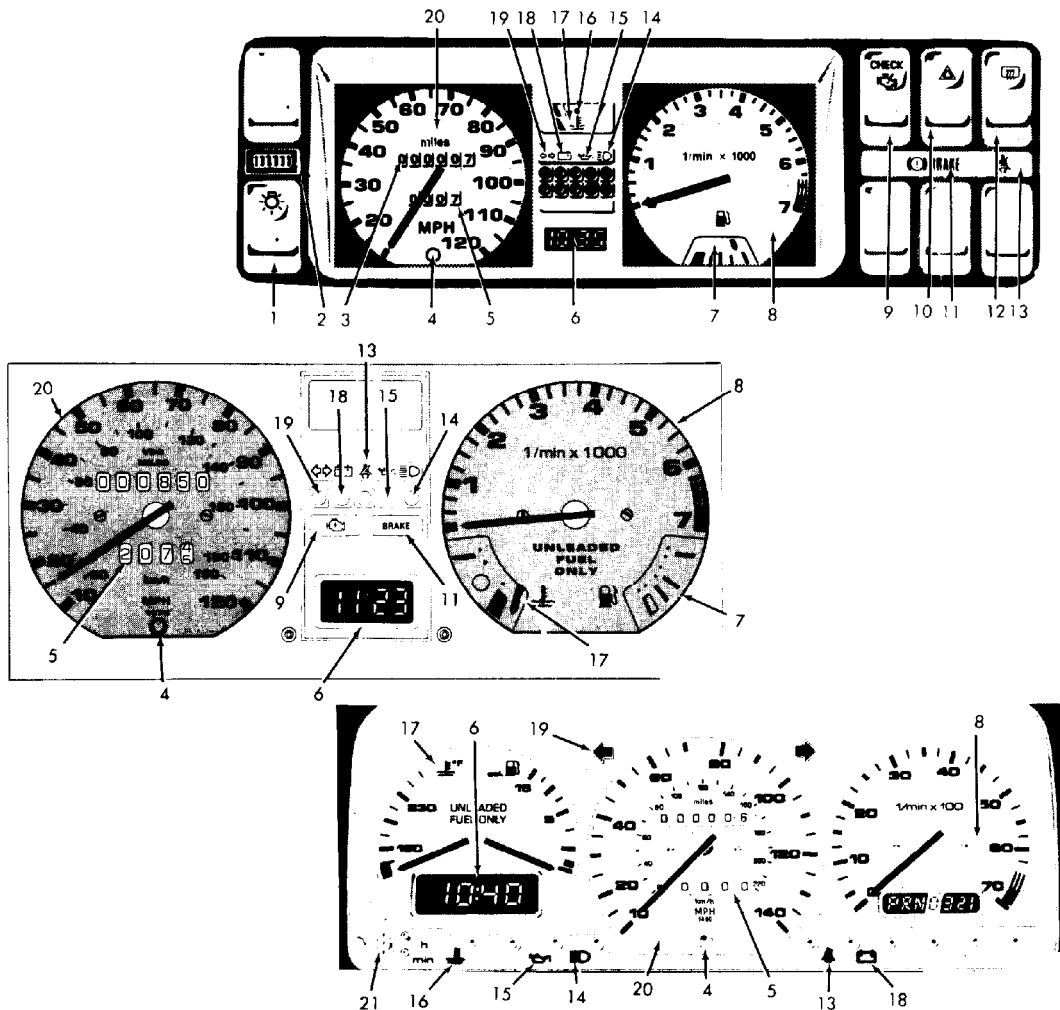
## ARTICLE BEGINNING

### 1983-92 MAINTENANCE

### Volkswagen Service Indicator & Warning Lights

Cabriolet, Fox, Golf, GTI, Jetta, Rabbit, Passat, Pickup

## SERVICE INDICATOR & WARNING LIGHTS



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| 1. Headlight Switch & Indicator          | 8. Tachometer Or Analog Clock (If Equipped) | 15. Oil Pressure Warning Light               |
| 2. Instrument Panel Illumination Control | 9. ECS Malfunction Light & Display Switch   | 16. Engine Coolant Temperature Warning Light |
| 3. Odometer                              | 10. Hazard Warning Indicator & Switch       | 17. Engine Coolant Temperature Gauge         |
| 4. Trip Odometer Reset                   | 11. Brake System Warning Light              | 18. Alternator Warning Light                 |
| 5. Trip Odometer                         | 12. Rear Defogger Switch & Indicator Light  | 19. Turn Signal Indicator Light              |
| 6. Digital Clock (If Equipped)           | 13. Seat Belt Warning Light                 | 20. Speedometer                              |
| 7. Fuel Gauge                            | 14. High Beam Indicator Light               |  |

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NOTE: ON DIESEL ENGINE VEHICLES A GLOW PLUG FUNCTION/  
WATER SEPARATOR WARNING LIGHT WILL ALSO BE FOUND  
IN THE INSTRUMENT PANEL.

Fig. 1: Dash Gauges & Warning Lights

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The warning lights come on for a function test when the ignition is switched on. They should go out once the engine has started.

### "BRAKE" INDICATOR LIGHT

Indicates the brake fluid level is low in the reservoir or the parking brake is still on.

### HIGH BEAM INDICATOR LIGHT

Light indicates that the head light high beam is on.

### TURN SIGNAL INDICATOR LIGHTS

Indicate signal operation & direction.

### SEAT BELT WARNING LIGHT

The warning light stays on until the driver's seat belt is fastened.

### ALTERNATOR WARNING LIGHT

Light comes on if alternator is not charging.

### REAR WINDOW DEFOGGER INDICATOR

Indicates the rear defogger is on.

### EMERGENCY FLASHER INDICATOR

Indicates the emergency flashers are in operation.

### "ECS" MALFUNCTION WARNING (IF EQUIPPED)

Warns of a malfunction in the emission control system.

### OIL PRESSURE WARNING LIGHT

Indicates no, or low, oil pressure.

### COOLANT TEMPERATURE & LEVEL WARNING (IF EQUIPPED)

Warns of excessive engine coolant temperature or low coolant level in system.

### "ABS" WARNING LIGHT (IF EQUIPPED)

Warns of a malfunction in the anti-lock brake system.

### GLOW PLUG/WATER SEPARATOR WARNING (DIESEL)

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Indicates glow plug function and, when flashing, the need to drain the water separator.

"OXS" OXYGEN SENSOR LIGHT (IF EQUIPPED)

Indicates service due on emission control system.

**END OF ARTICLE**