User Manual for C1553 VAG Diagnostic Tester



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What is the C1553?

The C1553 is a hand held diagnostic scantool with datastream capability. It has the ability to code control units. It works on Volkswagen and Audi products. It connects to the vehicle's diagnostic link using either an OBD-II cable or the dedicated VW-Audi connector. The C1553 is virtually the same as the VAG1551/1552 factory tools.

Why use the C1553?

Vehicle technology is constantly changing. Beginning in 1996, the U.S. federal government required cars to be equipped with On Board Diagnostics II. OBD-II is an advanced system that monitors any powertrain function that has the potential to cause the vehicle to exceed tailpipe emissions. Tailpipe gases that exceed 1.5 time the federal limit will turn on the MIL (malfunction indicator light), notifying the driver that service or repair is necessary. Fault code(s) will set in the control unit(s).

The C1553 allows the technician fast access to the control units on the vehicle. It is completely portable and runs off of vehicle power.

Caution: For safety reasons, only an assistant (not the driver) should use C1553 during road tests.



Figure 1. The C1553 in use.

Description of the diagnostic unit

The display consists of 2 lines with a size of 40 characters. It is illuminated. All information and functions are displayed here.

The lower portion contains 16 membrane keys to operate the unit. Number keys 0 through 9, up arrow (), down arrow (), plus (+), minus (-), Q-key, and C-key.

Power and communications take place through the data cable. The unit is supplied with two types of data cables: OBD-II (16 pin) and VW/Audi (2 terminal/ 2 connectors).

Note: If the display fails to display, check vehicle battery. Voltage should be 10 Volts or higher. If the unit is left plugged-in, the vehicle battery will deplete.



What is self-diagnostics?

In the past, diagnostics were limited to the technician's ability to pinpoint test each circuit using a multimeter. All cars today have built in self-diagnostics thanks to the power of microprocessors.

Electrical circuits can only fail in one of three ways: Shorts (to power or ground), opens, and resistance (usually high resistance).

The PCM (powertrain control unit) has the ability to run self checks on each electrical circuit. If a circuit fails it will set a DTC (diagnostic trouble code) also known as a fault code.

With the advent of OBD-II the PCM can also make plausibility checks. For example: on a TPS circuit that normally operates only between 0.5 volts and 5 volts, if the PCM detected 6 volts on the signal wire it knows there is a malfunction, and will set a DTC out of range code.

Additionally, there are built in protection functions, which allow the engine to run undisturbed. If there is a major fault with a circuit, the vehicle can still operate in 'Limp Home', 'emergency run', or 'failure mode'. This allows the driver to reach a garage for service. The basic triggering circuit is the only exception. A failed crankshaft sensor or CKP causes the engine to stop and not restart.

Fault memory within the PCM stores DTC's which can be accessed with the C1553. The C1553 offers bi-directional communications with the vehicle. It can transmit and receive data.

How does self-diagnosis work and when to use it?

All engine controls operate in a similar fashion. The PCM has inputs known as sensors (or switches) and outputs known as control devices. The PCM makes logical decisions based on input data. Also connected to the PCM is power and ground. In fact, several power and ground wires are connected to the PCM.

Coolant temperature sensor or CTS (G62) is an example of an input device operating between 0 volts and 5 volts. The sensor is an NTC or negative temperature coefficient. As temperature goes up, resistance goes down. In an active circuit, the voltage is high when the engine is cold and drops during warmup reaching a steady value at operating temperature. The CTS supplies important information to the PCM for calculation of the following:

- Knock control
- Adaptation of idle speed
- Lambda control of air fuel ratio
- Control of the fuel tank ventilation

Keep in mind that the PCM also keeps track of the running time of the engine. If the engine has been operated for several minutes the CTS voltage should change, if not the PCM determines through self-check that a fault exists in the CTS circuit and sets a DTC. Also, the PCM can substitute a 'temperature' if the current value is not plausible.

Using the C1553, a technician can quickly check the CTS circuit by reading the CTS datastream and comparing to the actual temperature of the coolant. Next, disconnect the sensor. The value as reported by the C1553 should go to approximately -40°C (-40°F). Next, with the CTS still disconnected, bridge the two wires going to the PCM. The C1553 should now read about 120°C. A normal substitute value for the CTS is about 70°C.

Keep in mind when diagnosing any PCM related problem that the problem may not be the sensor that set the fault code. A CTS fault code could be caused by faulty wiring to the sensor, a discharged battery, or loose power/ground wires to the PCM.

Using the C1553 on cars without OBD-II (1995 and earlier)

The tool requires no internal power. Power is supplied by the vehicle's battery. The cable has a polarized plug that only connects one way. Protection of the unit depends on connecting the cable correctly and in the correct sequence.

Note: Connecting the VW/Audi diagnostic cable VAG 1551/1 and VAG 1553/1 must be done in the exact sequence given below. Connecting to OBD-II cars (1996 and later) will be described later.

- 1. Connect the black plug (power supply) of the C1553 to the black flat contact connector in the vehicle.
- 2. The following text must appear on the C1553 display to continue:

Enter address word XX

Figure 3. Display

- 3. If the above message is not displayed, **do not connect the white connector**. Damage to the C1553/vehicle will result.
- 4. As soon as the above message is displayed connect the white plug.
- 5. In cases where the message above is not displayed, check the vehicle wiring for correct voltages at the vehicle's connectors. See figure 4.



Figure 4. VW/Audi vehicle diagnostic connectors: Black (power/ground) and White (data).



Figure 5. C1553 connector views. See table for wiring assignments.

Flat connector terminals		Barrel connector
1	Black A	3, battery ground (-)
2		2, battery positive (+)
1	White B	4, L-line (data)
2		1, K-line (data)
Figure 6. C1553 cable wiring ass	ignments.	
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Using the C1553 on cars with OBD-II (1996 and later)

The tool requires no internal power. Power is supplied by the vehicle's battery. The OBD-II cable has a polarized plug that only connects one way. OBD-II equipped cars have a 16 pin diagnostic connector located under the steering column or behind a plastic trim piece in the instrument console (VW). Some Audi's are located in the center console. Pin 4 in the diagnostic connector is ground; pin 16 is power at all times.



Figure 7. OBD-II connector

Figure 7. OBD-II connect	or	
OBD-II	C1553 barrel connector	
Vehicle connector terminal		
4	3, ground (-)	
7	1, K-line (data)	
15	4, L-line (data)	
16	2, battery (+)	

Figure 8. Terminal assignments

Operation Modes the C1553 provides

Note: The modes and displays you get depend on the car, engine, equipment installed, and the program version.

Connect the C1553 to the vehicle. After a few seconds the display will show the following modes:

Mode 1: Test procedure Mode 2: Self test Mode 3: Enter work number

After connecting to the vehicle the C1553 will automatically switch in to operation mode 1 (Test procedure) for the engine control unit. By selecting '1' you can begin vehicle testing.

Enter address word XXX

Press the 'C' key to choose mode 2 or mode 3. These modes will be discussed later.

Operation Mode 1: Test procedure

Figure 9 shows the display. To access the system in the vehicle enter the two digit address word using the keypad. See figure 10 or figure 11.

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Address Words	Vehicle system
00	Automatic check procedures
01	engine electronics
02	Transmission electronics
03	ABS electronics
08	air conditioning/heating
11	engine electronics II
12	clutch electronics
13	distance regulation
14	Wheel muffling electronics
15	Airbag/SRS
16	Steering wheel electronics
17	Combination instruments
22	All wheel drive electronics
25	theft/immobiliser
26	electrical roof
33	OBD-II generic
34	ride level regulation
35	central door locking
36	seat shift FL
37	navigation
41	Diesel injection pump electronics
44	servo-assisted steering
45	inner room supervision
46	Central module comfort system
47	sound system
55	light distance regulation
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56	radio
66	seat/mirror shift
75	emergency module
76	parking assistance

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Figure 9. Address words in numerical order	
Address words	Vehicle system
08	air conditioning/heating
15	Airbag/SRS
22	all wheel drive electronics
00	automatic check procedures
03	ABS electronics
35	Central door locking
46	central module comfort system
12	Clutch electronics
41	diesel injection pump electronics
13	Distance regulation
26	Electrical roof
75	Emergency module
01	Engine electronics
11	Engine electronics II
17	gear board stake
45	inner room supervision
55	light distance regulation
37	Navigation
33	OBD-II generic
76	Parking assistance
56	Radio
34	ride level regulation
36	Seat shift FL
66	Seat/mirror shift
44	servo-assisted steering
47	Sound system
16	steering wheel electronics
25	theft/immobiliser
02	Transmission electronics
14	wheel muffling electronics

Figure 10. Address words in vehicle system order

Note: Use the up/down arrow keys on the C1553 to get an index of all addresses.

C1553 Test exercise

1. Connect the C1553 to the vehicle. The C1553 will display:

Enter address word XXX

2. Enter 00 and press 'Q' key. The C1553 will display:

Enter address word **00 Q** Automatic check procedure

- 3. By pressing the '**Q**' key the C1553 will sends all known address words, one after another. ECU identification will display.
- 4. The C1553 reads all recognized errors and displays them in sorted order.
- 5. The C1553 accesses all address words thereby retrieving all fault memory in the vehicle.
- 6. If there are broken wires or defective devices the C1553 will not access that ECU.

Using the C1553 to query an engine control unit

1. Turn key on or start engine. Enter '01' address word. The unit displays:

Enter address word '**01 Q**' Engine electronics

2. If you press the '**Q**' key the C1553 displays:

Send engine control address **01**

3. The C1553 displays: CODE is control unit coding. WSC is Work Shop Code. This is a code used by the VW/Audi workshop for coding replacement ECM's.

010101010 222	Engine	Q	
CODE 1234		WSC 4321	

4. You can now choose functions by pressing the 'Q' key. The C1553 displays:

Select function XX

5. Using the up/down arrow keys () you get an index of all functions.

Functions	
01	ECM version
02	Display Fault memory
03	Output check
04	Basic settings (default settings)
05	Erase fault memory
06	End output (ends your session)
07	Code ECM (coding of control unit)
08	Measure blocks (read live value areas)
09	Individual blocks (read values)
10	Adaptation
15	Readiness code (USA) market

Figure 11. Function Codes

- Typically a technician will enter 02 Q to display the fault memory, write down the codes, then enter 05 Q to erase memory. Finish your session by entering 06 and Q.
- 7. If the function is not available for the control unit you are working on the C1553 will display:

Function not feasible at this moment

Function 02 Query (display) error memory

If you selected **02**, all recognized errors (fault codes) will be displayed. For example:

7 errors recognized	Q
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Press the **Q** key to get the details on the fault code.

Error number: 12345

Press the **Q** key again to get message information

Power supply KI. 30	
Voltage too low	Q

Note: If 'SP' is displayed, the fault code is sporadic or intermittent.

Q

Function 03 Adjust unit diagnosis (output check)

This function allows the user to check output devices such as fuel injectors, solenoids, valves, and motors for functionality. A multimeter is needed to complete this test.

Function 04 Default setting (basic settings)

This function allows the user to perform basic settings (baseline settings) on some systems after a part has been replaced or repaired.

Select 04. The C1553 will display

Default setting channel	XXX	
Measured values will be o	lisplayed with the physical unit	ts
System with default settin	g group 20	
	VC-LOW Compr. off	. C.V.

To display measured values live (during engine operation) you must exit function **04** and enter function **08**. To do this press the **C** key and enter **08**. The display will show
Read value area XXX

Function 05 Erase error memory (erase fault memory)

As described earlier, after you know what the fault codes are, then you can erase the error memory and road test the car to see if they come back. After you enter **05** and **Q** the C1553 will display

Error memory erased

If a code sets because of a vehicle problem, when you attempt to erase fault memory the C1553 will display

Function not feasible in the moment

Function 06 Finish output (End output)

You can finish your session (in this case with 01 engine control unit) by entering functon **06** and **Q**. The C1553 returns back to the top level operating mode. Now you can enter a new address word. You should always finish by entering **06** when done.

Function 07 Code control unit (Code ECM)

Function 07 gives the technician the ability to 'flash' a control unit with new program data. Always consult the repair manual. Coding is used to 'customize' the control unit for a particular market or car version. Select function **07** and **Q**. the C1553 will display

Code control unit 0-32000 XXXXX	
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The code number can be in the range from 0 to 32000, but you must enter a five digit code. Press the **Q** key to confirm the code entry.

After the control unit is coded, the C1553 will display the control unit and code. For example

01234567	ENGINE	Q
Code 1312		WSC 00000

Function 08 Read value area (Measure blocks or read live values area)

Selecting function 08 gives the technician access to data-stream or live data from the ECM. The lower line of the display will generally show four data-stream parameters such as rpm, throttle position, oxygen sensor activity, and fuel trim. Because there are so many data-stream parameters they are grouped. Each group can be selected by the display group number and shown sequentially.

If you select function **08** the C1553 will display

Read value number	XXX			
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Enter the display group number and confirm by pressing **Q** key. The measure values will display for example

Read valu	le area number 2			
0/min	0.00ms	0.00ms	27.76 g/s	

Since there are so many display groups the technician can scroll up or down by using the up/down arrows to access other group numbers.

If you wish, you can access other measure value groups by pressing **C** then entering the group number you wish.

Function 09 Read Value

Selecting function **09** will display only one measure value.

XXX
>

Your entry must be three characters, then press **Q**. At any time you can delete the current value and enter a new one.

Read value number 012 Q

Function 10 Adaptation

Function 10 should only be used by technicians who understand the results of changing baseline settings to engine controls. For example, the base idle speed can be changed using function 10. Changes in adaptive or baseline settings will affect vehicle emissions, performance, and service life. The vehicle warranty may be voided by changing these settings. Learned values can be deleted or erased.

You must follow 3 steps to change adaptation values:

- 1. read adaptation
- 2. test adaptation
- 3. save adaptation
- 1. Read adaptation value by entering the two digit channel number, then enter **Q**. The ECM will transmit the currently used value for that channel

	Adaptation channel	XX			
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For example

2. Test adaptation value allows you to modify the adaptation value. Use the + key to increment the value. Use the - to decrement the value. Please

confirm the running condition of the engine or system. When you have the correct setting you want, press **C** then press **Q** and the values will saved. If a measured value block is assigned to a channel, it will be displayed in the lower line of the display. This depends on the engine application and equipment. Two types of measure values can be show.

Adaptation channel 1 val 0/min 0,0% 27,76g/s	ue 12345	COM.
Adaptation channel 2 val	ue 23456	
134 24 34 165	13 165 70 5	6 134 156

3. Save adaptation is used after you have found the correct value you want. Press the \mathbf{Q} key, then press the \mathbf{Q} key again. The new value is transmitted to the ECM and saved.

Adaptation channel 02

Adaptation channel 02 value XXXXX Last value 12345

Q

4. Erase learn values can be done to 'reset' all values to baseline. This is sometimes useful during repair, replacement, or tuning. To erase values, enter channel number **00** then press **Q**.

Adaptation channel 00 Q

Confirm channel number, and then press Q again

Erase learn values	Q	

Q

Learn value erased

Operation Mode 2: Self test

The self-test operation mode is used to test the C1553 and cable. Self-test should be used on a regular basis to make sure the C1553 is OK. Plug in the unit to a vehicle then enter 2 for self test. The purpose of the test is to verify that the cable is OK and can transmit data. The 'K' and 'L' lines are tested. See figure 6 above. If the 'K' line is grounded the C1553 will display

K-wire does not switch to HIGH

If the 'K' line is shorted to power the C1553 will display

K-wire does not switch to LOW

The self-test will terminate automatically.

Operation Mode 3: Enter work number

Enter work number allows the technician to enter a work shop code (WSC) or id. This is used when replacing a control unit or if adaptation values are changed. The number is permanent and cannot be changed once entered.

Enter work number	XXXXX	

Any existing work number will be displayed when you enter this mode.

Work number exists	01234	
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If you would like to enter a work number, press '3'

Enter work number	XXXXX	
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The work number must be 5 digits long. Pressing the **C** key can clear a wrong entry. Once the right number is entered confirm your choice by pressing **Q**.

Enter work number 12345	Q	
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The following regulation must be used when entering the work number

Type of User	work number
manufacturer of control unit (i.e. BOSCH, Siemens)	00000
outside user (not in the company)	000XX 2-digit
sales centers, importers	00XXX 3-digit
Volkswagen corporation	0XXXX 4-digit
other companies	XXXXX 5-digit

User Tips - Location of Diagnostic Plug

Finding the diagnostic plug in the vehicle can seem difficult. Volkswagen/Audi always put the 16 pin OBD-II plug in the driver's environment-usually behind a plastic trim piece or under the steering column. If the plug is behind a plastic piece, the plastic will be molded with a 'check engine' icon. See figure 12. Volkswagen generally puts the plug on the instrument cluster. Audi sometimes puts the plug in the center console under the back seat ashtray cover. Most 1999 and later cars, near hood release lever in the footwell.

	2 pin connectors located in engine compartment at fuse box near firewall
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Golf 3	Under plastic trim piece, right of ashtray
Golf 4	Under plastic trim piece, above ashtray center console
Polo	Under plastic trim, left footwell area, below light switch
Passat B4	Under plastic trim piece, instrument cluster, behind wiper switch
T4	Under plastic trim piece, left of radio
Sharan	Under second ashtray insert piece
Beetle	Footwell area near hood release lever
Audi A3	Center console, below storage box
Audi A4	Center console, below back seat ashtray
Audi A6	Footwell area near hood release lever
Audi A8	Center console, below back seat ashtray
Audi TT	Footwell area near hood release lever



Figure 12. Location of OBD-II plug on 1996 Passat.

User Tips – Useful measure values

Audi A4 2.8 liter V6 OBD-II (MMS-410) 1996		
Display	Specified/Display	Designation
group	value	
000		Described below
001	85-110°C	1=engine coolant temperature
	1.450-1.580 V	2=mass air flow (MAF) sensor output voltage
	0-255	3=altitude display (only on vehicles with secondary air system)
	12.00-14.00 V	4=engine control module (ECM) supply voltage
002	0.250-4.750 V	1=throttle position sensor voltage (idle to wide open throttle)
	0.250-1.275 V	2=throttle position sensor voltage at idle, lower range
	0.250-0.500 V	3=learning value of TPS
	0 or 1	4=mechanical TP switch, 0=open 1=closed
003	650-750 rpm	1=idle speed
	15.0-35.0%	2=engine load at idle
	0% and/or greater	3=throttle angle
	than 95%	0% at idle, 95% at WOT
	km/h	4=momentary vehicle speed

004	0+/-2	1=idle air control valve at idle
004	HS:+14 to -16	2=idle speed learn value, HS (man.trans. +20 to -16)
	AT:+10 to -20	AT (auto.trans. +16 to –20), lever in P or N only
	AT: +10 to -20	3=idle speed learn value, AT lever in D,1,2,3,or R
	001 10	4=shift inputs at idle, 0 off, 1 on
005	-25% to +25%	1=oxygen sensor learning value at idle, bank 1
000	-25% to +25%	2=oxygen sensor learning value at part throttle 1, bank 1
	-25% to +25%	3=oxygen sensor learning value at part throttle 2, bank 1
	-25% to +25%	4=oxygen sensor learning value at part throttle 3, bank 1
006	-25% to +25%	1=oxygen sensor learning value at idle, bank 2
000	-25% to +25%	2=oxygen sensor learning value at part throttle 1, bank 2
	-25% to +25%	3=oxygen sensor learning value at part throttle 2, bank 2
	-25% to +25%	4=oxygen sensor learning value at part throttle 3, bank 2
007	0% to 6%	1=oxygen sensor control, bank 1
	XXXX	2=oxygen sensor learning range display
	XXXXXXXX	3=oxygen sensor learning requirement diagnosis
	XXXXXXXXX	4=oxygen sensor learning requirement display
008	0% to 6%	1=oxygen sensor control, bank 2
	XXXX	2=oxygen sensor learning range display
	XXXXXXXX	3=oxygen sensor learning requirement diagnosis
	XXXXXXXX	4=oxygen sensor learning requirement display
009	%	1=oxygen sensor control bank1
	%	2=oxygen sensor control bank2
	0 to 99%	3=duty cycle (triggering) for EVAP canister purge regulator valve
		N80
	0% and or greater	4=throttle angle, at idle 0%, at WOT >95%
	than 95%	
010	Difference between	1=total of oxygen sensor control bank 1 and momentary oxygen
	display values 1	sensor learning value bank 1
	and 2 less than 8%	2= total of oxygen sensor control bank 2 and momentary oxygen
		sensor learning value bank 2
	At times greater	3=Voltage signal bank 1 heated oxygen sensor 1
	than 0.6 V and/or	4=Voltage signal bank 2 heated oxygen sensor 1
	less than 0.V	
011	(fluctuating display)	
011	°BTDC	1=ignition timing point without knock control and without idle
		speed control
	°BTDC	2=ignition timing point with knock control and digital idle speed control
	+/° crankshaft	3=ignition timing point access to digital idle speed control
	0 and/or 1	4=closed throttle position switch function. Open=0 closed=1
012		1=momentary engine speed
012	·····.%	2=momentary engine load
	first map or second	3=ignition timing point map switching
	map	4=ignition timing point retard by knock control-average of all cyls.
	° crankshaft	
013	First may and/or	1=ignition timing point map switching
	second map	
	° crankshaft	2=ignition timing point retarded by knock control, cylinder 1
	° crankshaft	3=ignition timing point retarded by knock control, cylinder 2
	° crankshaft	4=ignition timing point retarded by knock control, cylinder 3
014	First map and/or	1=ignition timing point map switching
	second map	
	° crankshaft	2=ignition timing point retarded by knock control, cylinder 4
	° crankshaft	3=ignition timing point retarded by knock control, cylinder 5

	° crankshaft	4=ignition timing point retarded by knock control, cylinder 6
015	rpm	1=momentary engine speed
	V	2=knock sensor signal, cylinder 1
	V	3=knock sensor signal, cylinder 2
	V	4=knock sensor signal, cylinder 3
016	rpm	1=momentary engine speed
0.0	V	2=knock sensor signal, cylinder 4
	V	3=knock sensor signal, cylinder 5
	V	4=knock sensor signal, cylinder 6
017	0-1	1=timer 1 (final value=1)
017	0 – 255	2=timer 2 (final value=48 or 160)
	30% to 60%	3=momentary engine load
	0°C to 255°C	4=exhaust gas recirculation temperature (EGR sensor G98)
018	_%	1=internal duty cycle, idle air control valve N71
010	/ ⁰	2=idle air control valve current
	-40% to +60%	
		3=power control from idle air control valve N71
040	12.000 to 14.000 V	4=engine control module J192 voltage supply
019	1.5% to 3.5% at idle	1=momentary engine power (internally computed)
	6.5 to 9.5% at	
	2500rpm	
020	0%	1=lean time of bank 1, HO2S 1 voltage signal
	0%	2=lean time of bank 2, HO2S 1 voltage signal
	69%	3=diagnosis limit value
	0000000	4=diagnosis condition and/or result
021	0.0%	1=oxygen sensor control, bank 1 richens
	0.0%	2=oxygen sensor control, bank 2 richens
	14%	3=diagnosis limit value
	0000000	4=diagnosis condition and/or result
022	0 to 12	1=reducing stages
	,°crankshaft	2=ignition timing point retarded by ATC (only cold engines)
	-68Nm to 250Nm	3=reduced engine torque
	-68Nm to 250Nm	4=unreduced engine torque
023	X	1=upshift signal, auto trans. 01V. comes from TCM
	XX	2=gear recognition and shifting signal, auto trans. 01V.
	XX	3=A/C compressor off/on and rear window heating signal
	X	4=A/C compressor shut off
024	Not used	Not used
025	Production use only	Production use only
026	Production use only	Production use only
027	X	1=malfunction indicator lamp from TCM
•=-	X	2=Fuel level signal from instrument cluster
		3=
		4=
028	Production use only	Production use only
028	XXX XX X	1=Readiness code status, see notes
023		2=Trip status display
	0 to 40	3=counter for warm up phase
	0 to 40	4=counter for warm up phase
020		
030	mbar	1=currently measured evap system under pressure
	mbar	2=currently calculated evap minimum under pressure
	0 to 99%	3=duty cycle triggering evap canister purge regulator valve,
	20000/	where 0%=open, 99%=closed
	XXXXX	4=diagnosis status and/or result
031	rpm	1=lowest engine rpm when misfired occurred
	rpm	2=highest engine rpm when misfired occurred

%	3=lowest engine load when misfired occurred
%	4=highest engine load when misfired occurred

Notes: bank 1 is defined as the side of the engine where cylinder #1 is located. Sensor 1 is upstream of catalytic converter, sensor 2 is downstream.

Knock control of timing depends on fuel octane, worn/loose engine components, engine damage. 029-readiness code is required under OBD-II regulations. When set (=1) it shows that every component or system that affects exhaust emissions (capable of turning on MIL) has been operated with positive results. If a DTC is set (MIL on) the readiness code is erased. The following will erase the readiness code: battery disconnected, ECM disconnected. To generate a readiness code you must take a mixed city/highway trip: 1.5 to 5 minutes at 80 to 100kph. Display field 1 should set to all zeros (0). Display field 1: XXX XX X the address bits are decoded as follows starting from the right most digit: 3-way catalytic converter, not used, evaporative emissions throughput, secondary air system and throughput, not used, heated oxygen sensor problems, oxygen sensor heating problems, EGR.

Volkswa	agen 2.	B liter VR6 1995
Code		
No		Continue troubleshooting using wiring diagrams
DTC		
recogn		
ized		
00281	1231	Vehicle speed sensor G68, no signal
00513	2111	Engine speed sensor G28, no signal
00515	2113	Camshaft position sensor G40
00518	2212	Throttle position sensor G69
00522	2312	Engine coolant temp sensor G62
00524	2142	Knock sensor 1 G61
00525	2342	Heated oxygen sensor G39
00527	2412	Intake air temp sensor G72
00532	2234	Battery voltage higher than 16.0 volts
00533	2231	Idle speed actuator
00535	2141	First knock control
00537	2341	Oxygen sensor control, limit exceeded or not reached
00540	2144	Knock sensor 2 G66
00543	2214	Maximum engine speed exceeded
00545	2314	Engine/transmission electrical connection
00549	2243	Fuel consumption signal
00553	2324	Mass air flow sensor G70
00561	2413	Mixture adaptation limit exceeded or not reached
00585	2411	EGR temp sensor G98
00586		EGR system regulation
00609		Ignition output 1
00610		Ignition output 2
00611	a (a (Ignition output 3
00640	3434	Heated Oxygen sensor relay J278
01025	10.10	MIL lamp activation faulty
01235	4313	Secondary Air Injection solenoid valve N112
01242	4332	Engine control module output stage
01247	4343	EVAP canister purge regulator valve 1 N80
01249	4411	Fuel injector cylinder 1 N30
01250	4412	Fuel injector cylinder 2 N31
01251	4413	Fuel injector cylinder 3 N32
01252	4414	Fuel injector cylinder 4 N33
01253	4421	Fuel injector cylinder 5 N83
01254	4422	Fuel injector cylinder 6 N84
01257	4431	Idle air control valve N71
01259	4433	Fuel pump relay J17
01264	4311	Secondary air injection pump relay J299
01265	4312	EGR valve N18
65535	1111	Engine control module faulty

Flowchart of the C1553



*=1 channel displayed (00 to 15)

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