

Audi A1 e-trons make all the right connections

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Audi has just flicked the switch on 200 examples of the electric A1 e-tron, bringing the remarkable 148 mpg premium subcompact to life on the streets of Munich as part of an extensive pilot trial and data capture exercise.

The fleet trial project has been initiated by Audi, the power company E.ON, the public utility Stadtwerke Munchen (SWM) and Technische Universität Munchen (TUM), and will help these organizations to consolidate their thinking on the integration of electric power into day-to-day motoring, and to identify how the existing transport and communications infrastructure might need to adapt to support this.

E.ON and SWM are responsible for expanding and maintaining the charging infrastructure in the Munich metropolitan area, and have already installed a demand-oriented charging network there - SWM within the Bavarian capital's city limits and E.ON primarily in outlying areas. All the electric 'fuelling stations' offer power generated via renewable energies.

The Audi A1 e-tron is a range-extender electric car with an output of 102 hp and a top speed of 81 mph. If the battery runs low on charge, a compact combustion engine - the range extender - recharges it as needed to boost the vehicle's operating range to as much as 155 miles.

Defining black ice

Traffic reports often make mention of black ice during the colder weather. It can certainly sound ominous, and it's often very dangerous. But what exactly is black ice?

Black ice is a thin coating of ice that forms on roadways and other surfaces. It often occurs from freezing drizzle, wind-blown snow or freezing condensation. Because black ice is so thin, the ice appears to be the same color of the surface material beneath the ice. Therefore, on asphalt roads, the ice can be nearly invisible and black in color - hence the name. Unlike snow or ice that is readily visible, black ice is very hard to see, which makes it very dangerous for motorists.

Drivers should treat wet-looking roads with caution during the cold weather. What may appear to be water is often black ice. Traction is limited on ice, so spinouts and accidents may occur if the driver is not careful.

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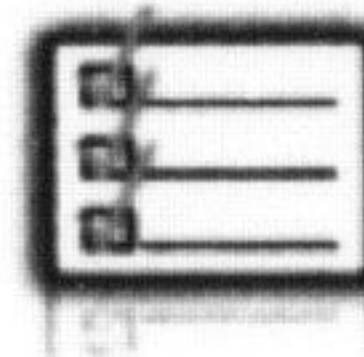


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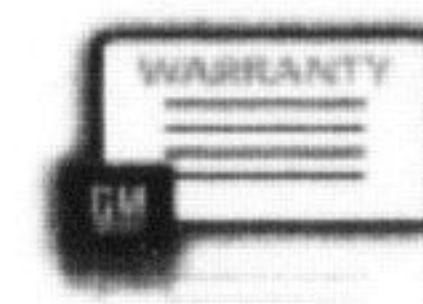
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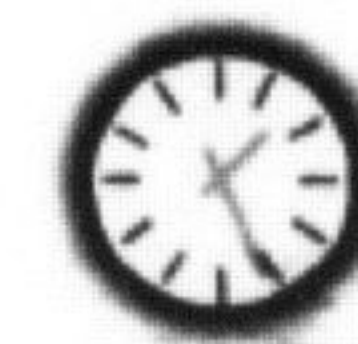
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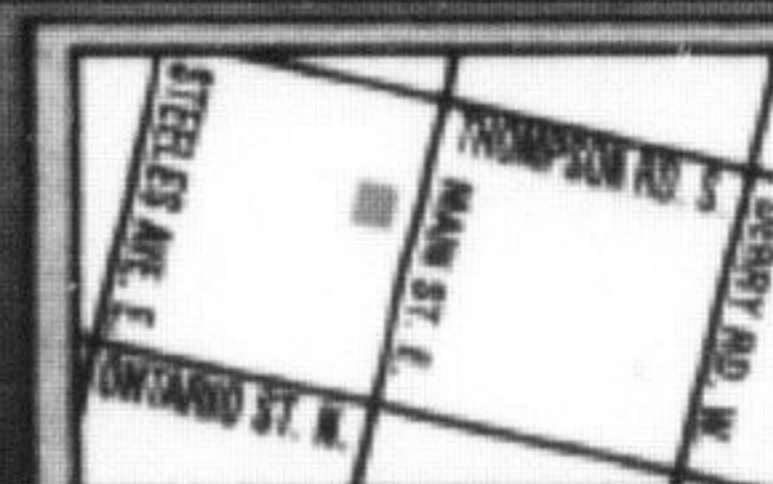


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