A simple guide to TPMS service
Installation instruction for Huf tire pressure sensors
Huf Group is a leader in the development and manufacturing of electronic and mechanical locking systems and supplies to the German automotive industry and well-known foreign vehicle manufacturers. With annual revenues of about 1.5 billion Euro, Huf has more than 7,800 employees in facilities located in Europe, North America and Asia.

Huf Electronics Bretten, Germany, is one of the pioneers in the development of modern direct measuring tire pressure monitoring systems. More than 20 years ago Huf started engineering TPMS for well-known car manufacturers. We continue to develop new systems today with our large engineering staff.

Huf Independent Aftermarket (IAM) The department IAM distributes worldwide tire pressure monitoring systems (TPMS) manufactured by Huf as well as the corresponding accessories for the automotive aftermarket.
Installation instruction for Huf tire pressure sensors

**Note:** The following are needed for the installation of the Huf tire pressure sensor with clamp-in metal valve:
1. A suitable valve. Only use approved and recommended Huf products
2. Torque wrench set to 4 Nm
3. TPMS diagnostic tool

**Note:** The following are needed for the installation of the Huf tire pressure sensor with snap-in rubber valve:
1. A suitable valve. Only use approved and recommended Huf products
2. Torque wrench set to 1.25 Nm for torx screw
3. Mounting paste
4. TPMS rubber valve mounting tool
5. TPMS diagnostic tool

Huf tire pressure sensors with metal valve contain:
1 | Carriage bold
2 | Sensor
3 | Valve stem
4 | Torque nut
5 | Cap

Huf tire pressure sensors with rubber valve contain:
1 | Torx bold
2 | Sensor
3 | Rubber valve
4 | Cap
This instruction for servicing tire pressure monitoring systems (TPMS) is divided into four steps.

**Step 1:** Incoming goods inspection  
**Step 2:** Selection of the Huf tire pressure sensor  
**Step 3:** Installation of the Huf tire pressure sensor  
**Step 4:** Relearn process

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For workshops, there are two standard situations that arise in relation to tire pressure monitoring systems (TPMS).

- TPMS light is lit or flashes
- Customer wants an additional set of tires (winter or summer tires)

The Huf IntelliSens Universal Sensor must be programmed with a TPMS diagnostic tool before use.

1.1 How to complete a TPMS initial customer support

The TPMS initial customer report is needed to document the data for your customer. By using a TPMS diagnostic tool, complete a TPMS initial customer report with the determined values pertaining to

- sensor ID (assigned number, consisting of letters and /or numbers as a unique identifier for a sensor)
- tire pressure
- status TPMS light.

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To create an initial customer report a TPMS diagnostic tool is needed.
1.2 Checking TPMS sensors

Hold the TPMS diagnostic tool against the valve of each wheel and follow the instructions of the tool for “testing” or “check”.

Please list the results in the TPMS initial customer report. If the TPMS diagnostic tool does not get a response
– the vehicle is not equipped with TPMS
– or the sensors are broken

Check whether the valves show any signs of corrosion or damage.

Please check whether the TPMS light is blinking or the light in the dashboard is permanently on. This should also be reported on the TPMS initial customer report.

You can find a suitable Huf tire pressure sensor:
a. on our Huf website [www.intellisens.com](http://www.intellisens.com) under our product finder section
b. in your TPMS diagnostic tool, which shows you the matching sensor
c. TecDoc catalog

For the selection, you will require the following vehicle data:
– manufacturer
– model
– year of manufacture (date of production)

The Huf IntelliSens Universal Sensor needs to be programmed with a TPMS diagnostic tool before use.
This step is omitted if you use a Huf OE replacement sensor (RDE sensor).

There are two possibilities to program the Huf IntelliSens Universal Sensor:

a. **Copy or clone a sensor:**
Select the manufacturer, model and year of manufacture in the menu of the TPMS diagnostic tool and program the Huf IntelliSens Universal Sensor with a new ID. Transfer the ID of the respective sensor to the Huf IntelliSens Universal Sensor with your TPMS diagnostic tool. Please ensure that the wheel positions (e.g. front left) of the old and new sensors match. As a rule, the relearn process is not required when cloning the sensor.

b. **Creating a new sensor:**
Select the manufacturer, model and year of manufacture in the menu of the TPMS diagnostic tool and program the Huf IntelliSens Universal Sensor with a new ID.

Once the Huf IntelliSens Universal Sensor has been programmed, it must be relearned to the vehicle.

The valve must be replaced during every tire change!

Please notice that the speed maximum for sensors with a rubber valve is 210 km/h.
Step 3: Installation of the Huf tire pressure sensor

### 3.1 Breaking the tire’s bead

The valve must be positioned at a distance of between 90 and 270 degrees relative to the bead breaker blade.

Break the tires bead several times on the outside.

In the process, the bead must not touch the well of the rim in the proximity of the sensor.

Finally, break the tires bead several times on the inside and adhere to the same instructions that apply to breaking the bead on the outside.

The Huf tire pressure sensor is always bolted with the valve and located at the height of the valve.

### 3.2 Exposing the sensor by pulling off the tire

Position the tire so that the valve is in the 11 o’clock position (when viewed from the mounting head). Start by releasing the upper tire bead. Release the lower tire bead with the valve in the same position.

Loosen valve stem from the inside of the valve hole.
**Step 3: Installation of the Huf tire pressure sensor**

### 3.3 Mounting the Huf tire pressure sensor with metal valve

By using the carriage bolt, mount the valve and sensor finger-tight together (about two turns). Both, valve and sensor, should still be flexible.

Put the valve with the mounted sensor through the hole from the inside of the rim. Press the sensor onto the rim and mount the torque nut by hand.

Adjust the torque wrench to 4 Nm or 35 in-lbs and tighten the valve without interruption. Around 3Nm / 30 in-lbs you will notice a sluggish movement until the shear collar breaks free. Turn further until the final torque moment of 4 Nm or 35 in-lbs is reached. Then you have mounted the sensor and valve correctly.

**Make sure that you tighten the torque nut in one movement without any interruption. Our sensors are tailored to rims in accordance with the ETRTO. Please note the information provided by the rim manufacturers. The valve must be replaced every time the tire is changed.**

### 3.4 Mounting the Huf tire pressure sensor with rubber valve

Lubricate the rubber valve with mounting paste. Ensure that the sensor is not coated with mounting paste.

Insert the rubber valve through the hole from the inside of the rim and pull the rubber valve in by using an appropriate rubber valve mounting tool.

When inserting the rubber valve, ensure that the valve is pulled vertically through the valve hole of the rim and that the sensor is not tilted. After installation, check that the rubber valve is positioned correctly.

After the rubber valve is mounted, the sensor must not touch the rim at any point. The valve must be replaced every time the tire is changed.

**Please notice the speed maximum for sensors with a rubber valve is 210 km/h.**
3.5 Fitting the tire to the rim

Ensure that the bead engages with the well of the rim at the opposite of the sensor. Start mounting the lower bead by turning the rotary disc clockwise.

Mount the upper bead at the same starting position of the valve.

Please make sure that the sensor is not pinched between the bead and the rim.

Please make sure that the bead plate lube does not cover the sensor’s pressure port.

4.1 Conducting the relearn procedure

Conduct the specified relearn process according to the instructions of the vehicle manufacturers.

Possible relearn processes:
- Automatic relearn
- Manual relearn
- Relearn via OBDII interface

Please follow the instruction manual of the car manufacturer. The complete procedure is finished after the relearn procedure is done and the TPMS light turns off.

Depending on the vehicle, it may be necessary to save the new tire pressure as the standard pressure.
Check and note following data on the final TPMS customer report:

- sensor ID
  (assigned number, consisting of letters and/or numbers as a unique identifier for a sensor)
- tire pressure
- status TPMS light
  (please check the information in your car manual instruction)

Hand the car over to the customer.

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Important Notes:

The instructions described below may not be suitable for Runflat tires, UHP tires, and Michelin Pax®-tires.

Carefully read the installation instructions and safety notes before installing the sensor. Reproduction mistakes, errors, and changes reserved. Illustrations may differ from the products.

For safety reasons and to ensure optimal functionality, Huf recommends to have all maintenance and repair work carried out exclusively by trained specialists and according to the guidelines of the respective vehicle manufacturer and/or ETRTO and DIN. Tire valves are safety-relevant parts and must only be installed by trained specialists. Huf does not assume any liability in case of faulty or improper installation of the product.

In case of failure to comply with the safety and installation indications and improper installation, the sensor may not be functional or limited in its function, which can lead to accidents resulting in bodily injury and/or death.

The sensor must only be installed with the matching valves and appropriate accessories and installation tools in order to ensure optimal functionality.

Do not use the sensor if it is damaged and/or other visible defects are present. In this case, use a new sensor and contact your supplier’s customer service. Mounting machines, valves, tools and processes might vary.

In any case the regulations of the respective vehicle manufacturer have to be obtained!

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“The tire pressure monitoring system (TPMS) was checked at the incoming goods inspection as well as when the vehicle was delivered and was found to be working properly. The remaining charge in the built-in batteries of the sensors cannot be definitively tested from a technical point of view and can therefore not be guaranteed.”

Source: Bundesverband Reifenhandel und Vulkaniseur-Handwerk e.V.
(German federal association of tire retailers and vulcanizers – BRV)