# TECHNICAL NEWSLETTER

# Speed Sensor (VSS)











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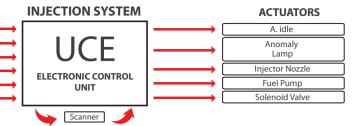
## Technical Newsletter - Speed Sensor (VSS)

#### CONCEPT:

Speed Sensor is a pulse generator either magnetic or hall effect that provides a proportional signal to the speed of the vehicle. Malfunction on this sensor may cause high fuel consumption and interruptions when decelerating.

SERISONS	
Lambda Probe	
S. Temperature ECT	
S. Speed (VSS)	
S. Knock	
S. MAP	
S. Rotation	

SENSORS



Generally it is located at the exit axis of transmission (gear level) or on

#### **PRINCIPLE:**

Its pulsed signal (digital) is used to calculate movement speed of vehicle. With this information (stationary vehicle or in movement) UCE performs the adjusted tracking;

- Air/fuel mixture enrichment or not during acceleration;
- Fuel cut-off;
- Engine rotation (idle speed) to prepare system for more deceleration;
- Allows for electric fan of radiator to disengage when in high speed (in some cases)
- Calculates distance and consumption in vehicles equipped with single board computer;

In vehicles with automatic transmission (Self Shifting), this information also controls blocking of the torque converter.

### HOW TO TEST THE SPEED SENSOR (VSS): FIORINO 1.4 (DS 2504)





1st Check Sensor Power With the ignition engaged, check terminals A and C of sensor. (Electric wiring harness connected to part); this sensor is fed by 12V.

LOCATION:

the speedometer axis.



2nd Analyze Signal of Sensor To analyze the signal, you can use an oscilloscope or a Hertz frequency scale (Hz) automotive multimeter conferring the signal generated on pins B and C.





Lift the two front wheels. Start engine and engage 3rd level shift (when not using an elevator, leave a person inside the car for safety)





The frequency on this specific car will be between 0,076 and 0,086 KHz and speed nearly 20km/h

Check if there is no oscillation on speedometer



- CAUTION:
- There are factors that may lead speed sensor to have incorrect readings:
- Incorrect positioning
- Vibrations on vehicle
- Warped pulley or gearing

- Incorrect Sensor
- Cables of sensor with weld
- Dirty or worn sensor
- Oxidization, grouding and/or disruption on electric wiring harness connections.