

BMW P1036: VALVETRONIC (VVT) CAN TIMEOUT VVT-DESIRED MESSAGE (BANK 1)

OVERVIEW

Severity	:	Medium
DIY Difficulty Level	:	Intermediate
Repair Cost	:	\$75-\$200
Can I Still Drive?	:	Yes

What Does The BMW P1036 Code Mean?

After the key has been on for 800ms (within two messages) or the engine running for 400ms, with a battery voltage at 10 volts, the difference between the deactivation and the starting positions exceeds specification. No suspension of BUS activity.

What Are The Potential Causes Of The BMW P1036 Code?

- ECU failure (or SZL or ZGM)
- Bus system failure
- Defective bus controller (SZL or ZGM)
- Short circuit in CAN wire or open circuit.
- Defective DME
- Defective VVT-SG

Reference Sources

[BMW P1036](#), DTCDECODE.