

ID.3 passes 100,000 km test from German ADAC



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High-voltage battery shows no abnormalities even after 2.5 years

- Charging speed permanently increased by software updates
- Engineers praise long-distance capability and intelligent Electric Vehicle Route Planner

The German ADAC, Europe's largest automobile association, gives the ID.3 a good report card. The engineers at the Test and Technology Center in Landsberg am Lech have already covered more than 100,000 kilometers. The most important finding: the high-voltage battery still has a net capacity of 93 percent. An ID.3 Pro S with 77 kWh net battery energy content was tested for which Volkswagen, as for all other models in the ID. family, guarantees that the battery still has at least 70 percent of its original net capacity after eight years in operation or 160,000 kilometers of driving.

The ADAC testers did not spare the battery. To reach the 100,000 kilometer mark as quickly as possible, the ID.3 was often charged to 100 percent at fast charging stations. In addition, contrary to the recommendation, the vehicle was usually ready for the next tester at the charging station with a 100 percent charge level, sometimes for several days.

The endurance test is the first of its kind for a vehicle of the ID. family. Between test drives, the ID.3 was repeatedly checked by engineers at the Landsberg am Lech Test and Technical Center. The ADAC examines eight main criteria and more than 300 sub-criteria - ranging from technology and safety to handling, ease of operation and environmental impact.

The ADAC has a clear recommendation for customers: Software updates should always be installed. During the endurance test, the ID.3 received several software updates. In addition to various bug fixes, the updates brought, among other things, an increase in

charging power up to 170 kW. The updates also had a positive effect on consumption and thus range. In particular, the new software significantly improved power consumption over short distances and winter temperatures of 0 to 5° C.

The intelligent Electric Vehicle Route Planner, which the ID.3 also received via an update, is also praised by the ADAC testers. On a longer route, it plans the charging stops in such a way that the destination is reached as quickly as possible. In addition to the battery's state of charge, the system also takes into account the current traffic situation and forecasts. The charging stops are evaluated dynamically and are based on the performance of the pillars. As a result, route planning can suggest two short charging stops with high power instead of a single long one with low power.

All further information and test data can be found here:

<https://www.adac.de/rund-ums-fahrzeug/autokatalog/autotest/vw-...>

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