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Wireless Charging: The ŠKODA Phonebox

- › ŠKODA expands their range of modern infotainment devices
- › Phonebox charges your Smartphone using the Qi wireless standard
- › Technology featured in ŠKODA Octavia and ŠKODA Superb from spring 2016

Mladá Boleslav, 19 February 2016 – ŠKODA is expanding their range of state-of-the-art infotainment devices: From April 2016, customers purchasing a Superb or Octavia will be able to opt for 'Phonebox with wireless charging'. This technology charges compatible smartphones inductively according to the Qi standard.

The Phonebox with wireless charging is an upgrade to the Phonebox, which is already available for the ŠKODA Superb and ŠKODA Octavia. The technological centrepiece is a planar array, communicating with the smartphone via near-field coupling and transmitting signals to the car antenna. The Phonebox combines good voice quality and high connection security with convenient operation.

In spring 2016, Phonebox with wireless charging will be available for the Superb and Octavia model series, which the brand will be displaying at the Geneva Motor Show. This technology charges compatible smartphones inductively according to the Qi standard. The current flows wirelessly from a coil in the bottom of the Phonebox with wireless charging to a receiver coil in the phone; data is also transferred between the transmitter and receiver to ensure optimum energy transfer. The mobile phone remains fully operational during charging.

Many smartphones by Google, Blackberry, LG, Nokia, Microsoft, Samsung and Sony already feature Qi technology. Other devices, such as the iPhone can be charged wirelessly using specially designed cases.

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ŠKODA Phonebox: Wireless phone charging in the car

This new 'Simply Clever' solution will be available from April 2016; the technology will be demonstrated one month prior at the Geneva Motor Show.

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- > is one of the longest-established vehicle production companies in the world. In 1895, the Czech headquarters in Mladá Boleslav began producing bicycles, followed by the production of motorbikes and cars.
- > currently offers the following models in the range: Citigo, Fabia, Rapid, Octavia, Yeti and Superb.
- > in 2015 delivered more than 1 million vehicles to customers worldwide.
- > has belonged to Volkswagen since 1991. The Volkswagen Group is one of the most successful automotive groups in the world. ŠKODA, in association with the Group, independently manufactures and develops vehicles, as well as components, engines and gear transmissions.
- > operates at three locations in the Czech Republic, produces in China, Russia, Slovakia and India mainly through Group partnerships, as well as in Ukraine and Kazakhstan through local partners.
- > employs over 25,900 people globally and is active in more than 100 markets.

