

Fact Checking



In 2017, Portugal issued the above stamp (as part of a set of stamps commemorating a Rally) showing an automobile described as an “**Audi Quattro S1 1982**” . This is unfortunately, incorrect.



In 1980, Audi had a 2-door “**Quattro**” model that was used as the basis for its’ Quattro rally competition car (now also known as the “UrQuattro” in the 1980’s.

<— An UrQuattro that was sold to customers (non-racing version).

The Portugal stamp above shows a rally version of the UrQuattro.

The Paraguay stamp to the right shows an actual “Sport Quattro S1”. This is a short-wheelbase version of the UrQuattro that was produced specifically for the homologation of “Group B” rallying in 1985 and the “S1” is designated for this model only.

The Sport Quattro S1 also won the 1985 Pikes Peak International Hill Climb.



To summarize: Whoever designed the Portugal stamp at the top got the description wrong, as the “S1” Quattro would need to show the short-wheelbase version of the vehicle and the date for an S1 Quattro would have to be 1984 or 1985! The stamp designer / illustrator could simply have found the correct details at https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Audi_Quattro