

NHTSA Recalls of Interest September 16, 2019

Delay In Seatbelt-Unfastened Telltale/FMVSS 208

Without the seatbelt warning reminder, the driver may forget to fasten the seatbelt, increasing the risk of injury in the event of a crash.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V644000

Manufacturer General Motors LLC

Components ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Potential Number of Units Affected 91,399

Summary

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain 2019 Chevrolet Express and GMC Savana vehicles. The seatbelt-unfastened warning light will not illuminate for approximately five seconds after the ignition is moved to the "on" or "start" position. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 208, "Occupant Crash Protection."

Remedy

GM will notify owners, and dealers will reprogram the instrument panel cluster, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule. Owners may contact Chevrolet customer service at 1-800-630-2438 or GMC customer service at 1-800-462-8782. GM's number for this recall is N192264500.

Vehicles

MAKE MODEL YEAR

CHEVROLET EXPRESS 2019 GMC SAVANA 2019

Vacuum Pump May Decrease Power Brake Assist

As the vacuum level drops, the brake assist decreases, increasing braking effort, extending the distance required to stop the vehicle, thereby increasing the risk of a crash.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V645000

Manufacturer General Motors LLC

Components SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC

Potential Number of Units Affected 3,456,111

Summary

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain 2015-2017 Cadillac Escalade, 2014-2018 Chevrolet Silverado, GMC Sierra, 2015-2018 Chevrolet Suburban, Tahoe, GMC Yukon vehicles. The amount of vacuum created by the vacuum pump may decrease over time.

Remedy

GM will notify owners, and dealers will reprogram the Electronic Brake Control Module, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule. Owners may contact Chevrolet customer service at 1-800-630-2438, Cadillac customer service at 1-800-458-8006 or GMC customer service at 1-800-462-8782. GM's number for this recall is N192268490.

Vehicles

MAKE	MODEL	YEAR
CADILLAC	ESCALADE	2015-2017
CHEVROLET	SILVERADO 1500	2014-2018
CHEVROLET	SUBURBAN	2015-2018
CHEVROLET	TAHOE	2015-2018
GMC	SIERRA 1500	2014-2018
GMC	YUKON	2015-2018

Front Brake may Drag

The swollen seals can cause the brakes to drag, potentially overheating the brakes and increasing the risk of a crash.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V629000

Manufacturer Ford Motor Company

Components SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC

Potential Number of Units Affected 2,624

Summary

Ford Motor Company (Ford) is recalling certain 2019 Fiesta vehicles. The brake calipers may have been manufactured with the incorrect assembly fluid, which can cause the caliper's rubber seals to swell.

Remedy

Ford will notify owners, and dealers will flush the brake fluid and replace the front brake calipers and brake hoses, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin October 7, 2019. Owners may contact Ford customer service at 1-866-436-7332. Ford's number for this recall is 19827.

Vehicle

MAKE MODEL YEAR

FORD FIESTA 2019

Steering Rack May Fail

A loss of steering control increases risk of a crash.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V631000

Manufacturer BMW of North America, LLC

Components STEERING

Potential Number of Units Affected 12

Summary

BMW of North America, LLC (BMW) is recalling certain 2020 X5 sDrive40i, X5 xDrive40i, X5 M50i, X7 xDrive40i and X7 M50i vehicles. The steering rack pinion teeth may break under load, resulting in a loss of steering control.

Remedy

BMW will notify owners, and dealers will replace the steering rack, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin October 16, 2019. Owners may contact BMW customer service at 1-800-525-7417.

Vehicles

MAKE MODEL YEAR

BMW	X5	2020
BMW	X7	2020

Steering Gear Motor May Detach

If the bolts corrode, the steering gear motor may detach from the gear housing resulting in a loss of power steering assist, requiring a greater steering effort, especially at lower speeds, and increasing the risk of a crash.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V632000

Manufacturer Ford Motor Company

Components STEERING

Potential Number of Units Affected 90,644

Summary

Ford Motor Company (Ford) is recalling certain 2013-2016 Ford Fusion and Lincoln MKZ, 2015-2016 Ford Edge, and 2016 Lincoln MKX vehicles originally sold, or currently registered in Connecticut, Delaware, the District of Columbia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. Road salt or other contaminants may corrode the electric power steering gear motor attachment bolts.

Remedy

Ford will notify owners, and dealers will replace the steering gear motor bolts and apply a wax sealer. If any of the steering gear motor attachment bolts are broken or missing, a new steering gear will be installed in the vehicle. These repairs will be performed free of charge. The recall is expected to begin October 7, 2019. Owners may contact Ford customer service at 1-866-436-7332. Ford's number for this recall is 19826.

Vehicles

MAKE MODEL YEAR

 FORD
 EDGE
 2015-2016

 FORD
 FUSION
 2013-2016

 LINCOLN
 MKX
 2016

 LINCOLN
 MKZ
 2013-2016

Crash Pads Missing from Rear Side Trim Panels

Without a crash pad, rear seat passengers would have an increased risk of injury in the event of a side impact crash.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V634000

Manufacturer BMW of North America, LLC

Components STRUCTURE

Potential Number of Units Affected 683

Summary

BMW of North America, LLC (BMW) is recalling certain 2020 MINI Hardtop 2-Door Cooper, Cooper S, and JCW vehicles. The rear side trim panels may have been assembled without a crash pad. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 214, "Side Impact Protection."

Remedy

MINI will notify owners, and MINI dealers will install crash pads, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin October 16, 2019. Owners may contact MINI customer service at 1-866-825-1525.

Vehicles

MAKE MODEL YEAR

MINICOOPER2020MINICOOPER S2020MINIJCW2020

ECM May Disable Fuel Injectors

Disabled fuel injectors would prevent the engine from starting and may cause a stall, increasing the risk of a crash.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V642000

Manufacturer General Motors LLC

Components FUEL SYSTEM, GASOLINE, ELECTRICAL SYSTEM, ENGINE

Potential Number of Units Affected 177,276

Summary

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain 2018 Chevrolet Malibu vehicles equipped with 1.5L turbo engines. An error in the Engine Control Module (ECM) software may result in the fuel injectors being disabled.

Remedy

GM will notify owners, and dealers will reprogram the ECM software, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule. Owners may contact GM customer service at 1-800-630-2438. GM's number for this recall is N192221960.

Vehicle

MAKE MODEL YEAR

CHEVROLET MALIBU 2018

Front Seat Frames May Have Exposed Sharp Edges

Occupants my contact the sharp edges when reaching between the power front seat and center console, increasing their risk of injury.

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V651000

Manufacturer Ford Motor Company

Components SEATS

Potential Number of Units Affected 311,907

Summary

Ford Motor Company (Ford) is recalling certain 2017 Ford Explorer vehicles equipped with power front seats. The seat frames may have sharp edges.

Remedy

Ford will notify owners, and dealers will install protective tape on the exposed inside edge and tab of the power seat frames, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin October 14, 2019. Owners may contact Ford customer service at 1-866-436-7332. Ford's number for this recall is 19S29.

Vehicle

MAKE MODEL YEAR

FORD EXPLORER 2017