

98V-192 (01)

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August 17, 1998

Mr. Kenneth Weinstein
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Pursuant to Part 573 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Defect and Noncompliance Reports, Ford Motor Company submits the following information concerning a safety-related recall action that it is initiating.

573.5 (c) (2)

Certain 1999 model year F150/250 trucks built at the Norfolk Assembly Plant from June 8, 1998 through August 5, 1998.

Because these vehicles are not produced in VIN order, information as to the applicability of this action to specific vehicles can best be obtained by either calling Ford's toll-free line (1-800-392-3673) or contacting a local Ford or Lincoln/Mercury dealer, who can obtain specific information regarding the vehicles from the Ford CASIS computer system.

573.5 (c) (3)

Approximately 1500 vehicles.

573.5 (c) (4)

Unknown.



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573.5 (c) (5)

The affected vehicles have a speed control cable that may not have been fully seated into the accelerator bracket at time of installation. If the cable is not fully seated into this bracket, there is the potential that the cable could separate from the bracket. A loose cable may result in the throttle not fully returning to idle and cause an increase in stopping distance.

573.5 (c) (6)

Ford has received reports from Norfolk Assembly Plant of the speed control cable not fully seated in the accelerator bracket. This condition has been confirmed on 1 of 81 vehicles inspected at the Plant. There have been no field reports of this condition.

573.5 (c) (8)

Ford will begin notifying dealers of record of affected vehicles on or about August 11, 1998 to add a retaining clip to the speed control cable fitting at the accelerator bracket. These vehicles are not yet released for sale to the public so Ford does not intend to notify owners or make any public statement about this recall.

573.5 (c) (9)

Ford does not plan to make a public statement concerning the subject matter of this action because the vehicles are not yet released for sale to the public. A copy of the Notification letter to dealers from Ford Customer Service Division will be forwarded when available.

573.5 (c) (11)

Ford has assigned campaign number 98S22 to this action.

Very truly yours,



L. W. Camp

RECALL CAMPAIGNS

NAME OF MANUFACTURER : FORD

SUBJECT OF RECALL : SPEED CONTROL CABLE

RECALL CAMPAIGN NUMBER : 98V-192

ACTION THAT INFLUENCED RECALL

MANUFACTURED INFLUENCED YES

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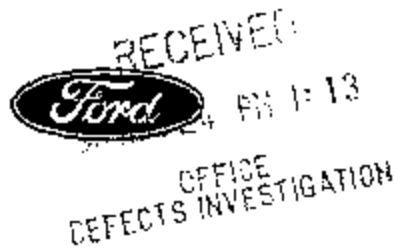
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**National Highway
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Dear Mr. Camp:

This acknowledges receipt of your Defect Information Report dated August 17, 1998, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports." This recall involves 1,500 Ford Motor Company (Ford) 1999 F150/F250 trucks manufactured from June 8 through August 5, 1998. A speed control cable was not properly seated into the accelerator bracket at the time of installation. A loose cable can result in the throttle not fully returning to idle and cause an increase in stopping distance. **The assigned identification number for this recall is 98V-192 (Ford Recall No. 98S22).**

Ford is responsible for the remedy of these vehicles from this date forward, regardless of vehicle age, mileage, or ownership. You should know that the agency provides a listing of safety recalls to the media at the end of each month. This recall will be a part of that listing.

Quarterly Status Reports

As stated in Part 573.6, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin August 11, 1998. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by October 30, 1998.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Pat Wallace at (202) 366-5232 or fax at (202) 366-7882.

Sincerely,

Jonathan D. White, Chief
Recall Analysis Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Safety Assurance



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September 30, 1998

Kenneth N. Weinstein
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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street, SW
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Mr. Weinstein:

**Subject: Safety Recall 98V-192 NSA-111paw
(Ford Number 98S22)**

Enclosed are dealer and owner letters issued by Ford Customer Service Division regarding a recall of certain 1999 F-150 and F-250 trucks. Specific details were forwarded to you in our letter dated August 17, 1998.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "L. W. Camp".

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Service Recall Bulletin

TO: All Ford and Lincoln-Mercury Dealers August 1998

Reference: All-Dealer Delivery Hold Fax, Dated August 10, 1998

SUBJECT: Safety Recall 98S22 - Certain 1998 Model Year F-Series Trucks -
Speed Control Cables

AFFECTED VEHICLES

Certain 1998 model year F-series (F150/250) trucks equipped with 4.6L engines and speed control built at the Norfolk Assembly Plant from June 9, through August 7, 1998.

Please note that some of these vehicles are also involved in Safety Recall 98S21. That recall is being announced in a separate bulletin.

REASONS FOR RECALL

A safety defect may exist on the affected trucks as a result of speed control cables that may not have been fully engaged into the accelerator bracket. If the speed control cable is not fully engaged the throttle may not return to full engine idle.

SERVICE ACTION

To correct this condition, a locking pin is to be inserted through the speed control cable retaining tabs at the accelerator bracket.

If you have trucks affected by this recall you will receive locking pins. No owner letters will be required, since the referenced all-dealer Fax dated August 10, placed a delivery hold on the affected trucks.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment I

- Administrative Information

Attachment II

- Labor Allowances
- Parts Information (parts will be direct shipped to dealers with affected trucks)

Attachment III

- Technical Information

QUESTIONS?

Claims Information 1-800-423-8851
Other Recall Questions 1-800-325-5621

Sincerely,

A. R. Kaduk
Manager
Vehicle Service and Programs

ATTACHMENT 1
Safety Recall 96S22

CASIS

Dealers with affected trucks will receive locking pins. Use CASIS to verify if a vehicle is eligible for this recall.

PLEASE NOTE

Correct all affected trucks before delivery. Federal law requires dealers to complete any outstanding safety recall service before a new vehicle is delivered to the buyer or lessee. Violation of this requirement by a dealer could result in a civil penalty of up to \$1,100 per vehicle.

CLAIMS SUBMISSION

Enter claims using DWE. See ACESII Manual, Sections 5 and 6.

WARRANTY AND POLICY MANUAL

See Sections 5 and 6 of the ACESII Manual.

LABOR ALLOWANCES

Install Speed Control Cable Locking Pin

Labor Time 0.2 Hrs.

Labor Operation 98S228

Administrative Allowance

0.1 Hrs. Misc. Expense Code "ADMIN"

PARTS REQUIREMENTS

Parts (locking pin) will be direct shipped to dealers with affected trucks for this recall. *Do Not Order Parts For This Recall; Dealerships having VIN's of affected Trucks Will Automatically Receive Parts Via Interim Orders.*

<u>PART NUMBER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
F3S2-2K865-A	Pin, Locking

DEALER PRICE

For latest prices, check or call your:

- Order Processing Center
- BOES II
- Updated Price Book

SPEED CONTROL CABLE LOCKING PIN

AFFECTED VEHICLES: CERTAIN 1999 MODEL YEAR F-SERIES (F150/250) TRUCKS BUILT AT THE NORFOLK ASSEMBLY PLANT FROM JUNE 8, THROUGH AUGUST 7, 1998 EQUIPPED WITH 4.6L GASOLINE ENGINES AND SPEED CONTROL

SERVICE PROCEDURE

1. Open hood.
2. Remove shield covering throttle body assembly.
3. Locate accelerator cable bracket on intake manifold.
4. Install secondary retaining clip on rear of speed control cable clip. See Figure 1.

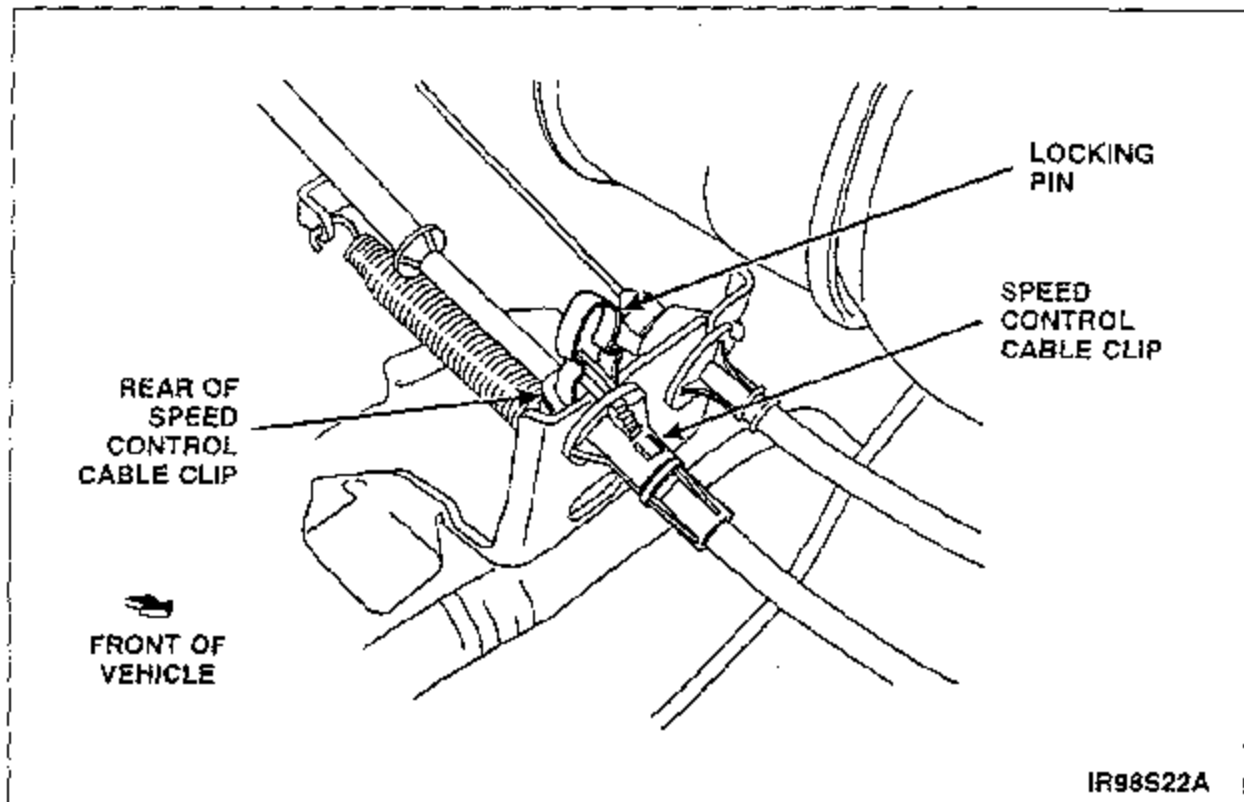


FIGURE 1



5. Make sure locking pin is spreading locking tabs on speed control cable clip. See Figure 2.

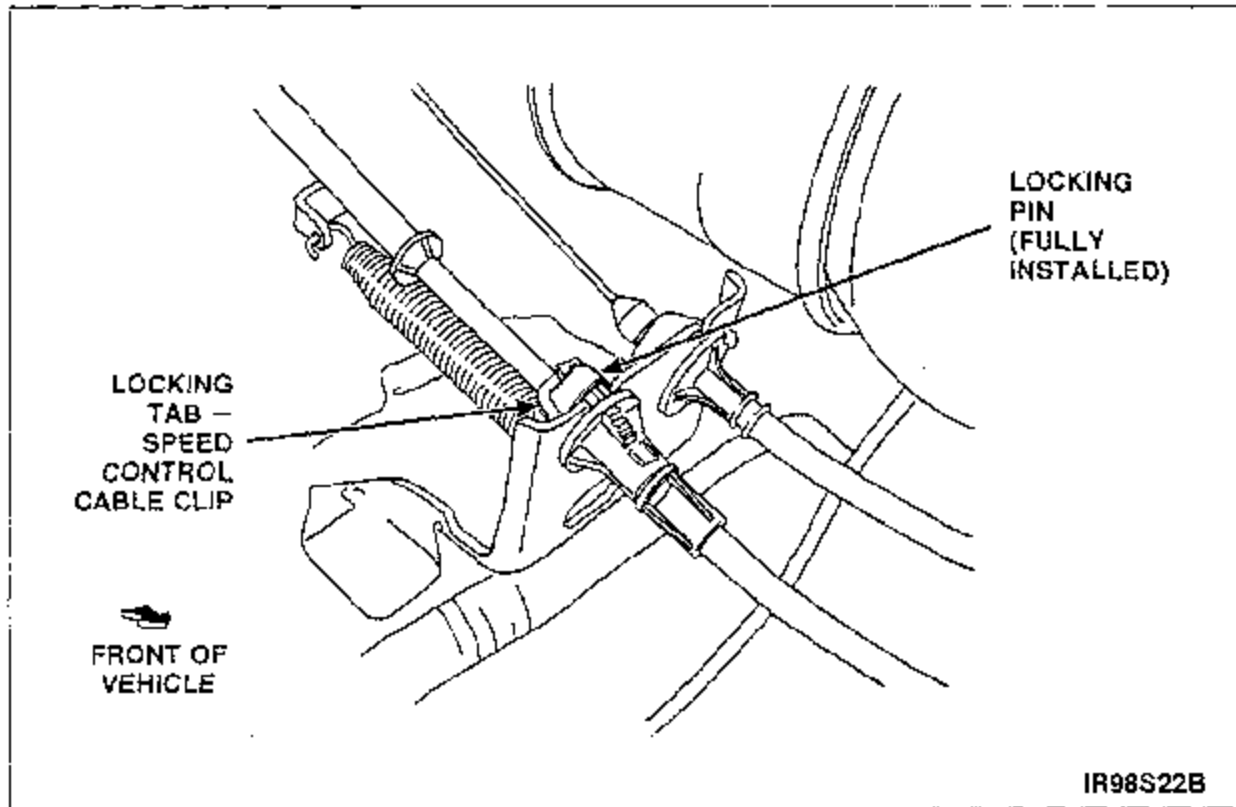


FIGURE 2

6. Install shield covering throttle body assembly. Tighten retainers to 3-4 Nm (27-35 lb-in).
7. Close hood.





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98S22

August 1998

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Serial Number: 12345678901234567

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Ford Motor Company has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain 1998 model year F-Series trucks equipped with 4.6L engines and speed control.

SAFETY DEFECT

A safety defect may exist on affected trucks as a result of the speed control cable, which may not have been fully secured to the accelerator bracket. If the speed control cable is not fully secured, the throttle may not return to full engine idle.

REPAIRS

At no charge to you, your dealer will inspect the speed control cable and, if necessary, install a locking pin to secure the speed control cable. Dealers currently have service repair instructions and parts ordering information.

HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE?

The time needed for this service is one-half day. However, due to service scheduling times, your dealer may need your vehicle for a longer period. Please call your dealer for a service date.

CALL YOUR DEALER

Call your dealer without delay. Ask for a service date and whether parts are in stock for Safety Recall 98S22.

If your dealer does not have the parts in stock, they can be ordered before scheduling your service date. Parts would be expected to arrive within a week.

When you bring your F-Series truck in, show the dealer this letter.

If you misplace this letter, your dealer will still do the work, free of charge.

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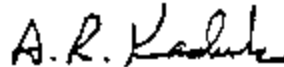
If you paid to have this service done before the date of this letter, Ford is offering a full refund. For the refund, please show your paid original receipt to your Ford dealer. To avoid delays, do not send receipts to Ford Motor Company.

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

If the dealer doesn't make the repair promptly and without charge, you may contact the Ford Customer Assistance Center, 16800 Executive Plaza Drive, P. O. Box 6248, Dearborn, Michigan 48121. You also may send a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, S. W., Washington, D. C. 20590 or call the toll free Auto Safety Hotline 1-800-424-9393 (Washington, D. C. area residents may call 366-0123).

We regret the inconvenience this service may cause you, but we want you to have the work done for your safety and satisfaction with your Ford-built truck.

Sincerely,



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Manager
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