



HYUNDAI OF PUERTO RICO
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AFFECTED HYUNDAI VEHICLES:
• 2005 TUCSON

Date :September 2005



RE : **IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTIFICATION**
(Parking Brake Lever– Recall no. 05V-342)

VIN : **KM8JM12B25U204792**

Dear Tucson Owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the **National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act**. Hyundai of Puerto Rico has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain 2005 Hyundai Tucson vehicles that were produced during the period beginning on March 29, 2004 through May 20, 2005.

What is the problem?

The parking level ratchet pawl in your vehicle was not properly remanufactured and may damage the teeth of the parking lever ratchet. Damaged parking brake lever ratchet teeth may prevent the parking brake from engaging or may allow the parking brake to release after it has been engaged.

The inability to engage, or the inadvertent release of the parking brake lever may allow your vehicle to roll while it is parked and may result in a crash. To prevent your vehicle from rolling while it is parked, always place the automatic transmission in the Park position and place the manual transmission gearshift lever in one of the gear positions, even if you have engaged the parking brake.

What should you do?

We urge you to call your Hyundai dealer to schedule an appointment to have this work performed as soon as possible. If you have already encountered the problem described above and you have paid for the repairs, please call **Hyundai of Puerto Rico at 1-800-981-0188** for counsel on a possible reimbursement.

What will Hyundai do?

To ensure that your vehicle's parking brake lever works properly, we are asking you to schedule an appointment as soon as possible to take your vehicle to your Hyundai dealer. The Hyundai dealer will replace your vehicle's parking brake lever assembly. This procedure will be performed at no charge to you. The time needed for the actual repair is approximately less than an hour, but you should plan to leave your vehicle at your Hyundai dealer to have this service performed. Repair times will vary and depend on your dealer's appointment schedule.

What if you have other questions?

If you have any difficulty having this repair performed, we recommend that you call the Hyundai of Puerto Rico Customer Service at 1-800-981-0188. If you are still not satisfied that we have remedied this situation without charge, and within a reasonable amount of time, you may wish to write to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20590 or call their toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 TTY:1-800-424-9153), or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

Notice to Lessors: If you are a lessor receiving this recall notice of vehicles involved in this recall as of the date of this letter, you have an obligation under Federal Law, 49 CFR Part 577, to forward the lessee of the above referenced vehicle with a copy of this letter by first class mail within **ten days of receipt**. You must also maintain a record identifying the lessee to whom you sent a copy of this letter, the date you sent it, and the VIN of the subject vehicle.

We urge your prompt attention to this safety matter.