



**SALEEN**  
Corporate Office

10/18/05

John Doe  
Service Manager  
XYZ Ford Dealer  
1111 Main St.  
Anywhere, CA 91111

Dear Mr. Doe:

Contained in this packet is a Safety Recall Notice and corresponding Saleen Technical Service Bulletin (STSB) pertaining to the NHTSA recall 05V-413, as issued at the request of Saleen, Inc. (hereafter referred to as "Saleen"). Included in the service bulletin is a description of the defect, the affected vehicles, and the methods and parts required for remedy. Please review the information carefully and contact Saleen immediately should any questions arise. In addition, please note that it is a violation of Federal law to deliver an affected vehicle, either by sale or lease, covered by this notification before performing the recall service.

As you may know, the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act provides that each vehicle subject to recall 05V-413 must be serviced in a timely manner. Failure to complete required services within sixty (60) days of vehicle delivery is prima facie evidence of failure to repair within a reasonable time. If this should occur, the customer may be entitled to an identical or reasonably similar vehicle, or a full refund less reasonable depreciation. As can be seen in the enclosed copy of the Customer Notification letter, the customers have been advised of the available methods for contacting the NHTSA should their vehicle not be serviced in a timely manner. Saleen is making every effort to prevent this outcome; it is Saleen's intent to work closely with [DEALER] toward a timely resolution of each recall service.

In an effort to minimize inconvenience to the customer and to [DEALER]'s Service Department, Saleen asks that any outstanding service and/or warranty repairs be completed while the vehicle is tendered to the dealer for recall service. With this in mind, Saleen has advised the customer to notify [DEALER]'s service personnel of any issues or concerns relating to their vehicle at the time the recall service appointment is scheduled. For your records, a blank Saleen Warranty Claim Form has been included.

Saleen understands that [DEALER]'s Service Department is extremely busy, and it is our sincerest desire that this matter be resolved with minimal disruption. However, please understand that the safety of our customers is Saleen's primary concern. Please call with any questions or comments regarding this recall via the toll free number shown below. Again, Saleen apologizes for any inconvenience this may cause; thank you for your understanding.

Sincerely,

Saleen Warranty Department  
1-866-829-8945



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Fax: 949-457-0859

Ph: 866-829-8832

### **Saleen Hood Recall Procedure**

**In order for us to help facilitate the installation and payment of this recall we have listed the procedure below. Please follow the steps below as we must document all correspondence by federal request.**

- 1. Please schedule each vehicle for recall service**
- 2. Submit attached *Warranty Claim Form* for Recall materials. (Please place “HOOD RECALL” AND VEHICLE VIN# IN *CUSTOMER CONCERN SECTION*)**
- 3. Materials will be sent overnight to your dealership for service of vehicle.**
- 4. Perform work as instructed on recall description/ instruction by scheduled time standard instructed below.**
- 5. Please submit invoice along with complete Warranty Claim Form including all parts requested for service and recall.**
- 6. Invoice is paid by Saleen to dealer.**

#### **Scheduled time standard:**

**In order to conduct the Hood recall, Saleen has allowed 1 hour of labor to complete R&I of hood bolts. Saleen will pay out 1 hour at your current Ford authorized labor rate.**

If you have any questions regarding status, service assistance, or customer service please contact us at our toll free number: 866-829-8832

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06-05-01	

DATE OF ISSUE: 10/25/2005

MODEL / YEAR: S281 SUPERCHARGED / 2005

VEHICLES AFFECTED: ALL

ISSUE: HOOD BOLTS MAY BECOME LOOSE

**SERVICE PROCEDURE:**

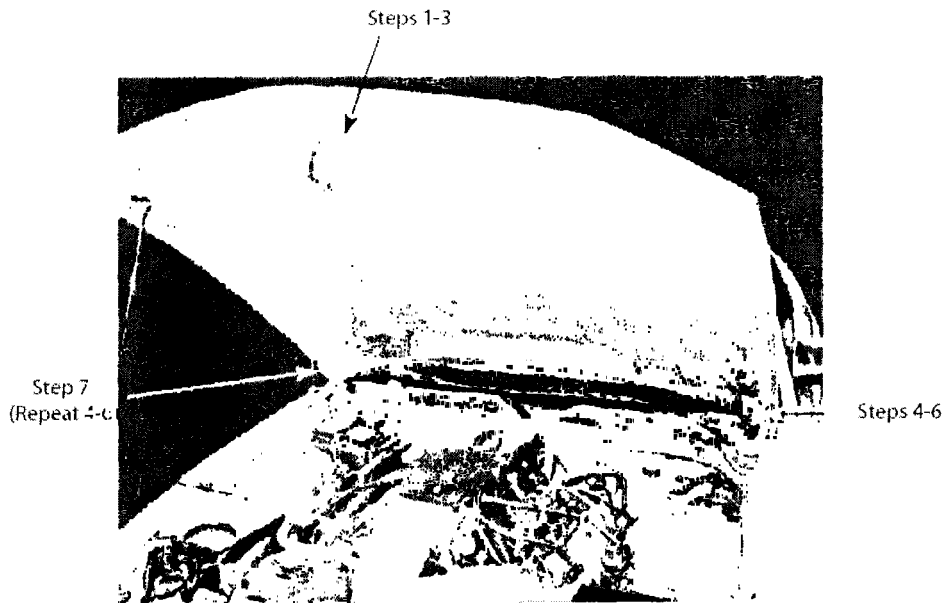
TOOLS

Ratcheting wrench  
 Calibrated torque wrench (120 in-lb capacity min)  
 10 mm socket  
 13 mm socket

PARTS LIST

Part No.	Description	Qty.
06-9001-C12800A	10 mm M6 Bolt w/ Nylock	2
06-9001-C12799A	13mm M8 Bolt w/ Nylock	4
06-1106-C13002B	Striker Backing Plate	1

OVERVIEW




**PROCEDURE:**

**WARNING: STOP IMMEDIATELY IF BOLTS WILL NOT TORQUE TO SPECIFIED VALUES. CONTACT SALEEN WARRANTY BY CALLING 1-866-829-8945 FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTION.**

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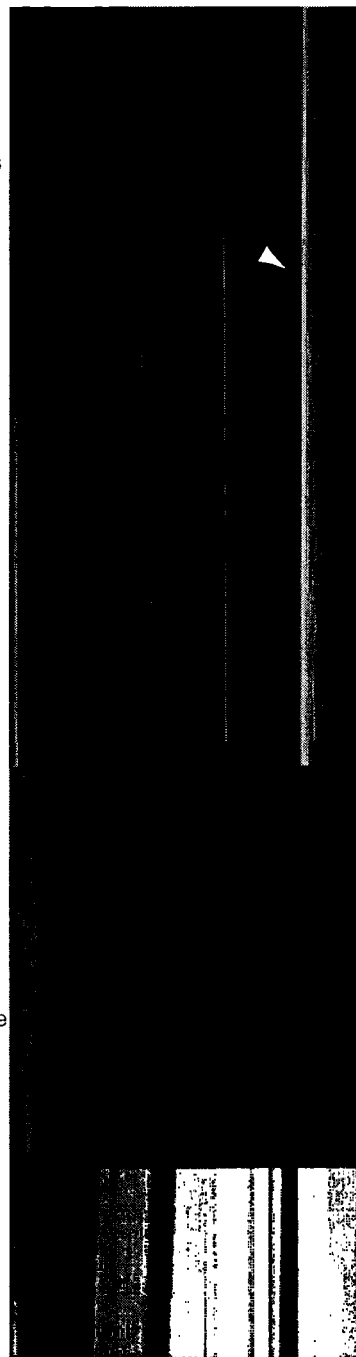
- 1) Remove striker bolts, shown in Figure 1, using ratcheting wrench with 10 mm socket

Striker bolts  


- 2) Locate 06-1106-C13002B striker backing plate by aligning holes in plate with the corresponding holes in hood. The large hole provides clearance for the hood latch while the hood is in the closed position; if these holes do not align, the hood will not close properly. Correct orientation shown in Figure 2.

- 3) Reposition striker over backing plate and thread in supplied 06-9001-C12800A bolts by hand, tightening until difficult to turn or head of bolt is within approx. 1/8 inch of seating against the striker. Using a calibrated torque wrench, tighten the striker mounting bolts to **96 in-lb (8 ft-lb)**. **DO NOT OVER-TIGHTEN BOLTS!**

- 4) *To maintain hood position, hood mounting bolts (hood / hinge bolts) are replaced one at a time. Be sure that bolts are fully torqued before proceeding.* Starting with the driver's side of the vehicle, remove one of the bolts that attach the hood to its hinge using a ratcheting wrench with a 10 mm socket.



**Replace one (1) bolt at a time to maintain hood orientation  
Torque to 120 in-lb.**

Figure 4.

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- 5) Replace with supplied 06-9001-C12799A bolt, hand threading in the same fashion as used on the striker bolts. Complete by torquing bolt to 120 in-lb (10 ft-lb). **DO NOT OVER-TIGHTEN BOLTS!** Note that replacement bolt requires a 13 mm socket.
  
- 6) Repeat steps 4-5 on second hood mounting (hood / hinge) bolt.
  
- 7) Repeat steps 4-6 on passenger's side hood mounting bolts.

**Warranty Status:**

Full warranty coverage on all affected vehicles as specified above.

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NOTE: The information in Saleen Technical Service Bulletins (STSB) is intended for use by trained, professional technicians with the knowledge, tools, and equipment to do the job properly and safely. It informs these technicians of conditions that may occur on some vehicles, or provides information that could assist in proper vehicle service. The procedures should not be performed by "do-it-yourselfers." Do not assume that a condition described affects your car or truck. Contact an authorized Saleen dealership to determine whether this STSB applies to your vehicle. Warranty Policy documentation determines Warranty coverage unless stated otherwise in the STSB article. The information in this STSB was current at the time of printing. Saleen, Inc. reserves the right to supersede this information with updates. The most recent information is available through Saleen Warranty.

Dear Saleen Vehicle Owner:

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

**Reason for this recall:**

Saleen, Inc. has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain 2005 Saleen S281 Supercharged vehicles. These vehicles have bolts that attach the hinges to the fiberglass body of the hood that can become loose. This may cause the hood to become loose and/or separate from its latch and/or hinge(s) while driving, which could result in a crash.

**Your vehicle**, identified on the enclosed form, **is affected**. For this reason we ask that you arrange for service to correct the condition without delay. The service and required parts as described in this letter will be provided free of charge. To correct this condition, your dealer will install new fasteners that incorporate security measures ensuring that these fasteners will remain properly secured over the lifetime of the vehicle.

The work will take approximately one half of an hour to complete. However, additional time may be required depending on how dealer appointments are scheduled and processed. To obtain this free service:

Contact your authorized Saleen dealer as soon as possible to schedule an appointment for the free service.

Take the enclosed Owner Notification Form with you at the time of your appointment and give it to your dealer. The form identifies the vehicle and the service that is required.

If you have any problem obtaining the needed repair, please contact our Saleen customer service toll free at 1-866-829-8832. A representative will assist you in arranging prompt attention to your vehicle.

We are concerned about your safety and we regret any inconvenience this action may cause you. If your dealer fails or is unable to remedy this defect without charge and within a reasonable time, you may submit a written complaint to:

Administrator  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
400 Seventh Street, SW.  
Washington, DC 20590

As an alternative, you may register a complaint to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration by telephone toll free at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or via the internet at <http://www.safercar.gov>.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.  
Saleen, Inc.

## SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

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