

SAFETY RECALL BULLETIN

SUBJECT:

GEAR SHIFT KEY INTERLOCK CABLE — SAFETY RECALL CAMPAIGN

No: SR-06-005

DATE: November, 2006

MODEL: See below

| CIRCULATE TO: | [] GENERAL MANAGER | [X] PARTS MANAGER | [X] TECHNICIAN |
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| [X] SERVICE ADVISOR | [X] SERVICE MANAGER | [X] WARRANTY PROCESSOR | [] SALES MANAGER |

PURPOSE

The gear shift key interlock cable may be improperly manufactured on some affected vehicles. This could allow the automatic transmission gear selector lever to be moved out of the park position with the key removed from the ignition switch. If the park brake is not applied, and the gear shift lever is moved out of park, the vehicle may roll and result in a vehicle crash.

A list of affected inventory and sold VINs for your dealership is included with this mailing.

AFFECTED VEHICLES

2007 Eclipse with automatic transmission 2007 Eclipse Spyder with automatic transmission

IMPORTANT

Affected new or used inventory vehicles must be repaired before the vehicle is sold. Dealers must check their inventory vehicles' VINs on the Warranty Super Screen to verify whether the vehicle is involved in this recall campaign.

CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION

A letter will be sent to all owners of affected vehicles telling them to bring their vehicle to their Mitsubishi Motors dealer to have the gear shift key interlock cable inspected and replaced if necessary. A copy of the customer notification letter appears later in this bulletin.

PROCEDURE

Before starting this campaign procedure, **CHECK ON THE WARRANTY SUPERSCREEN** to verify that the vehicle is an affected VIN for this campaign and that this campaign procedure has not already been completed.



- 1. Using a trim stick, carefully remove the audio unit faceplate.
- 2. Move transmission gear shift lever out of park.

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FILE UNDER:



- 3. Unsnap the HVAC panel and allow it to hang by the harness to the right of the console.
- 4. Put transmission gear shift lever back into park.
- 5. Pull up on the parking brake handle.



6. Unsnap and remove the console cover.



7. Inspect the T-end of the gear shift key interlock cable as described below.



 If the cable end is fully contained within the lever and snap lock, the cable DOES NOT need to be replaced.

Install the removed parts in the reverse order of removal.



b. If the T-end of the cable is visible (flush or extends past the white plastic lever), the cable must be replaced.

Follow the service manual procedure in Group 23A of the 2007 Eclipse/Eclipse Spyder service manual for replacing the gear shift key interlock cable.

PARTS INFORMATION

Use the Genuine Mitsubishi Parts listed below.

<u>NOTE:</u> DO NOT automatically order parts for inventory. Only a small number of affected vehicles will require parts replacement.

| Description | Part Number |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Gear Shift Key Interlock Cable | MR567431 |

WARRANTY INFORMATION

Enter as a "Recall" claim on the MDL

Campaign Labor Operation Number: C0606KXX

Allowed Labor Times:

Inspection only: 0.2 hrs

Inspection and replacement if needed: 0.8 hrs

A sample claim with both scenarios has been provided on the following pages.

Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc.

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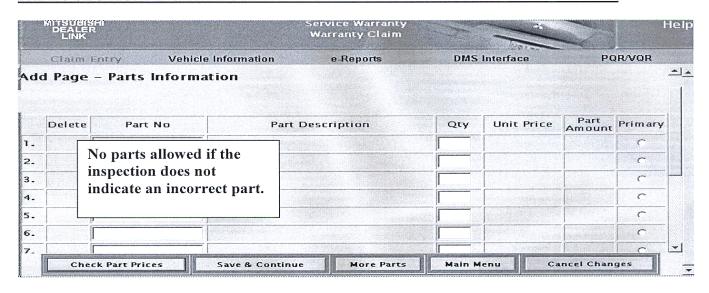
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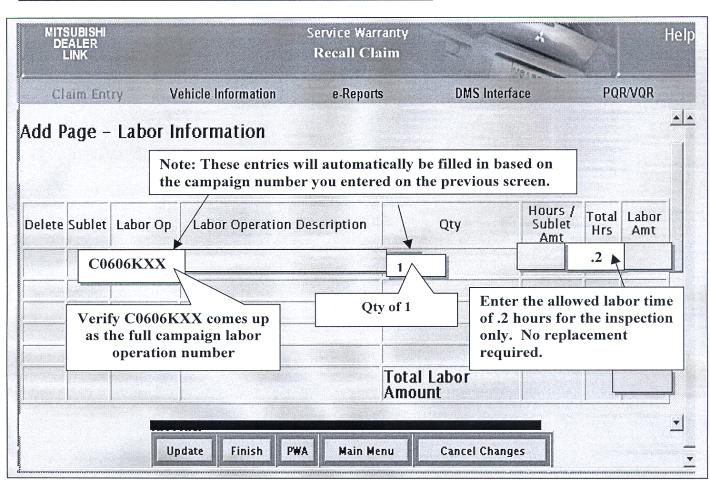
Note: In some instances, it may be necessary to arrange towing and/or to provide a temporary rental / loaner vehicle to a customer. Please use the entry fields at the bottom of the campaign claim's labor section.

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| | 95200040 | TOWING CHARGES | Towing Company Invoice Number | |

SCENARIO 1: UPON INSPECTION, THE CABLE <u>DOES NOT</u> NEED TO BE REPLACED PARTS SECTION: NO PARTS ARE ALLOWED FOR INSPECTION ONLY CLAIMS

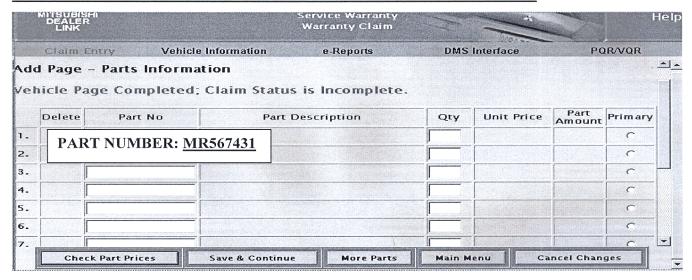


LABOR SECTION: INSPECTION OF THE CABLE ONLY

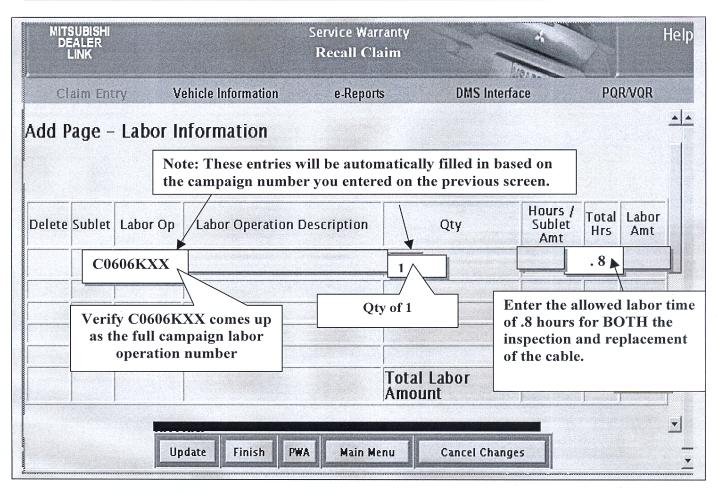


SCENARIO 2: UPON INSPECTION, THE CABLE DOES NEED TO BE REPLACED

PARTS SECTION: INSPECTION AND REPLACEMENT OF THE CABLE



LABOR SECTION: INSPECTION AND REPLACEMENT OF THE CABLE





AFFECTED VEHICLES
MODELS: 2007 Eclipse/Eclipse Spyder

Date: November 2006

RE: IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTIFICATION: SR-06-005

Dear Mitsubishi Owner,

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

Reason For Notice: Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc. has decided that a defect that relates to vehicle

safety exists in certain 2007 Eclipse and Eclipse Spyder vehicles. The gear shift key interlock cable may be improperly manufactured. This could allow the automatic transmission gear selector lever to be moved out of the park position with the key removed from the ignition switch. If the park brake is not applied, and the gear shift lever

is moved out of park, the vehicle may roll and result in a vehicle crash.

What you should do: Please contact your Authorized Mitsubishi Dealer to schedule an appointment to have

your vehicle inspected for this condition. When you bring your vehicle in, show this letter. (If you misplace this letter, they will still make the repair, free of charge.)

What your dealer will do: The dealership will inspect the gear shift key interlock cable and replace it if necessary.

How long will it take? The time needed for the inspection is approximately 10 minutes. If the gear shift key interlock cable requires replacement, actual repair time is approximately 1 hour. The

dealer may need your vehicle for a longer period of time due to service scheduling issues,

but every effort will be made to minimize your inconvenience.

If you have any trouble having your vehicle repaired promptly and at no charge, please inform us by calling the Mitsubishi Customer Relations Department at 888-648-7820.

Hours: Monday - Friday 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Pacific Time).

If after contacting Mitsubishi Customer Relations, you still have a problem having this repair made promptly and without charge, write to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street SW, Washington, D.C. 20590, or call the Auto Safety Hotline toll-free (888) 327-4236 (TTY 800-424-1953), or go to http://www.safercar.gov.

If you have already encountered a problem regarding the above and have paid for the repair, you may send your original receipts and/or other adequate proof of payment to the following address for reimbursement:

Mitsubishi Customer Relations Department, P.O. Box 6400, Cypress, CA 90630-0064

Notice to Lessors: If you are a lessor of five or more leased vehicles as of the date of this letter, you have an obligation under federal law, (49 CFR Part 577), to provide the lessee of the above referenced vehicle with a copy of this letter by first class mail within ten days of receipt. Further, you must maintain a record, which identifies the lessee to whom you sent a copy of this letter, the date you sent it, and the vehicle identification number (VIN) of the subject vehicle

We appreciate your prompt attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please contact your Mitsubishi Dealer.

Sincerely,

Mitsubishi Motor Sales of North America, Inc.

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