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Recall Campaign No. 08V-290, R1200 R, R1200 GS, R1200 GS Adventure
Gearbox

Dear BMW Owner:

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

BMW AG has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain 2008 BMW R1200 R, R1200 GS and R1200 GS Adventure motorcycles. Our records indicate that you are the owner of a potentially affected motorcycle.

We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you.

DESCRIPTION OF DEFECT

The problem involves the gearbox. Due to a material defect in the intermediate shaft of the transmission, the shaft could break. If this occurred, it is possible for the transmission to seize. If this happened, lock-up of the rear tire could occur. It is also possible for the transmission housing to break. If this happened, oil could leak onto the rear wheel.

You must have this problem corrected immediately. Failure to observe the following precautions, in conjunction with traffic and road conditions, and the rider's reactions, could increase the risk of a crash.

PRECAUTIONS FOR YOUR SAFETY

- 1. PLEASE CONTACT YOUR AUTHORIZED BMW MOTORCYCLE DEALER IMMEDIATELY TO HAVE THE NECESSARY REPAIR PERFORMED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**
- 2. Should you need BMW Motorcycle Roadside Assistance, they can be reached at 1-877-680-2176.**
- 3. If you are not the only rider of this motorcycle, please advise all other riders of this motorcycle of this important information.**

DESCRIPTION OF REPAIR

Your motorcycle will have the gearbox replaced.

The actual repair may take up to four hours; however additional time may be required depending upon the BMW motorcycle dealer's scheduling and processing. This work will be performed *free of charge* by your Authorized BMW motorcycle dealer.

OTHER INFORMATION

If you are no longer the owner of this motorcycle, we would appreciate you furnishing us with the name and address of the new owner using the enclosed postage-paid card.

If you are a lessor of this motorcycle, Federal Regulations require you to forward this notice to your lessee.

If you have already had this repair performed at your own expense, please see the attachment regarding possible eligibility for reimbursement.

Again, we sincerely apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you.

Should you have any questions about this campaign, please contact your Authorized BMW motorcycle dealer.

We appreciate your confidence in our product, and we wish to do everything we can to retain your confidence. Should you need additional assistance, you may contact BMW Customer Relations and Services by telephone at 1-800-831-1117, or by email at CustomerService@bmwmotorcycles.com.

If the BMW motorcycle dealer is unable to remedy the defect without charge or within a reasonable period of time, you may notify the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., S.E., Washington, DC 20590, call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153), or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

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