



**BENTLEY**

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Mr. Daniel Smith  
Associate Administrator for Enforcement  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE  
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Washington, DC 20590

**Subject: Notification of Recall Pursuant to 49 CFR 573 (2009)  
2009 Model Year Bentley Continental Flying Spur and Continental Flying Spur  
Speed**

Dear Mr. Smith:

This information is submitted in accordance with the requirements of Part 573 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (49 CFR 573 (2009)).

573.6 (c) (1) **Manufacturer's Name**  
Bentley Motors Limited

**Importer**  
Bentley Motors, Inc.

573.6 (c) (2) **Identification of Vehicles**

Make	: Bentley	
Line	: Continental Flying Spur and Continental Flying Spur Speed	
Model Years	: Model Years 2009	
Month/Year of Manufacture	: 1 May 2008 and 11 September 2008	
VIN Numbers of Affected Vehicles	: SCBBR93W59C SCBBR93W69C SCBBR93WX9C SCBBP93W39C SCBBP93W59C SCBBR93W09C SCBBP93W89C SCBBP93W09C SCBBP93W39C SCBBP93W69C SCBBP93W49C SCBBR93WX9C SCBBP93W99C SCBBP93W49C	SCBBP93W49C SCBBP93W69C SCBBP93W49C SCBBR93W49C SCBBP93W09C SCBBR93W09C SCBBR93W09C SCBBR93W09C SCBBR93W29C SCBBR93W39C SCBBR93W09C SCBBP93W09C SCBBR93W09C SCBBP93W09C SCBBR93W19C

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- 573.6 (c) (3) **Number of Vehicles Potentially Containing the Defect**  
27 in the USA
- 573.6 (c) (4) **Percentage of Vehicles Actually Containing Defect**  
Cannot be determined. This is a corrective action following the discovery of a non-conformance following a repeat of the original certification pull-test
- 573.6 (c) (5) **Description of Noncompliance/Defect**  
On the vehicles affected, there is the potential for the centre rear seat belt upper guide bracket to distort in the event of a frontal impact. This distortion could result in the centre rear seat occupant travelling further forwards than the design intends. This occurrence has not been witnessed by or reported to Bentley Motors Limited, neither is Bentley otherwise aware of any accidents or injuries related to this matter.
- 573.6 (c) (6) **Basis for Determination**  
The potential defect was found when repeating the original anchorage pull-test and subsequent investigation confirmed that this could occur within normal manufacturing tolerances for the part. The range of affected vehicles has been determined to be all vehicles built with the original specification part up to the cut-off point for the fitment of an increased strength bracket.
- 573.6 (c) (7) **Noncompliance Test Result**  
Not applicable
- 573.6 (c) (8) **Proposed Remedial Program**  
Bentley Motors, Inc. will inform its authorized dealers to replace the seat belt guide bracket on all affected vehicles.  
Affected customers will receive notifications as described below.  
  
Notification dates are anticipated as follows:  
Dealers: On or about 01/25/2009  
Owners: On or about 01/30/2009
- 73.6 (c) (9) **Submission of Communications**  
A representative copy of all bulletins and other communications sent to dealers and owners will be submitted within five (5) days of dealer/owner notification.
- 573.6 (c) (10) **Proposed Owner Letter**  
A proposed owner notification letter will be submitted to you within the next few weeks for your review.
- 573.6 (c) (11) **Manufacturer's Recall Code**  
Bentley has assigned the code "RE09/01" to this recall.

Sincerely,



Stephen Worrall  
Fixed Operations Manager