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**2009 Through Certain 2010 Model Year Venza Vehicles
Potential Floor Mat Interference with Accelerator Pedal
Safety Recall Campaign**

Please make an appointment with your local Toyota Dealer to have this important remedy completed.

Dear Toyota Owner:

This notice is being sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Toyota has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in 2009 through certain 2010 model year Venza vehicles.

What is the Condition?

- The defect is the potential for an unsecured or incompatible driver's floor mat to interfere with the accelerator pedal and cause it to get stuck in the wide open position. A stuck open accelerator pedal may result in very high vehicle speeds and make it difficult to stop the vehicle, which could cause a crash, serious injury or death. Toyota has determined that this defect does not exist in vehicles in which the driver side floor mat is compatible with the vehicle and properly secured.

What will Toyota do?

- To make it less likely that an unsecured or incompatible driver's floor mat can interfere with the accelerator pedal on your vehicle, any Toyota dealer will remedy your vehicle at **NO CHARGE** to you. The remedy will entail modifying the accelerator pedal and the floor surface in the driver's foot-well.
- If your vehicle is equipped with a set of optional genuine Toyota All Weather Floor Mats (AWFM), it will be inspected to determine if the AWFM set is of an older design. If it is, the older design AWFM's for the driver and the front seat passenger will be replaced with newly designed ones at **NO CHARGE** to you.
- Before the vehicle is returned to you, Toyota will inspect the driver's carpet and will clean it if necessary at **NO CHARGE** to you.

As an additional measure independent of the vehicle-based recall remedy, Toyota will install a newly designed override system in your vehicle to provide an extra measure of confidence. This system will cut engine power in case of simultaneous application of both accelerator and brake pedals at certain speeds and driving conditions. This installation will also be conducted at **NO CHARGE** to you.

What should you do?

This is an important Safety Recall

Please contact your authorized Toyota dealer to make an appointment to have these important remedies performed on your vehicle as soon as possible.

The remedy will take approximately 1½ hours. However, depending upon the dealer's work schedule, it may be necessary to make your vehicle available for a longer period of time.

Until these important remedies are completed, we request that you take out **any removable** driver's floor mat, place it in the trunk, and NOT replace it with any other floor mat until the campaign remedy has been implemented on your vehicle. **If you have an optional genuine Toyota All Weather Floor Mat, please bring it to the dealership at the time of your remedy.**

In the event you choose not to take out your removable floor mat, Toyota strongly recommends that you ensure that the correct floor mat is being used, that it is properly installed and secured, that it is not flipped over with the bottom-side up, and that one floor mat is not stacked over another. Please visit <http://www.toyota.com/floor mats> for additional information.

What should you do if you experience accelerator pedal interference?

Should the vehicle continue to accelerate rapidly after releasing the accelerator pedal, this could be an indication of floor mat interference. If this occurs, Toyota recommends you take the following actions:

First, if it is possible and safe to do so, pull back the floor mat and dislodge it from the accelerator pedal; then pull over and stop the vehicle.

If the floor mat cannot be dislodged, then firmly and steadily step on the brake pedal with both feet. Do NOT pump the brake pedal repeatedly as this will increase the effort required to slow the vehicle.

Shift the transmission gear selector to the Neutral (N) position and use the brakes to make a controlled stop at the side of the road and turn off the engine.

If unable to put the vehicle in Neutral, turn the engine OFF. This will not cause loss of steering or braking control, but the power assist to these systems will be lost.

- If the vehicle is equipped with an Engine Start/Stop button, firmly and steadily push the button for at least three seconds to turn off the engine. Do NOT tap the Engine Start/Stop button.
- If the vehicle is equipped with a conventional key-ignition, turn the ignition key to the ACC position to turn off the engine. Do NOT remove the key from the ignition as this will lock the steering wheel.

Please place this letter in your Owner's Manual for future reference.

What if you have other questions?

Please visit <http://www.toyota.com/floormats> for further information. Your local Toyota dealer will be more than happy to answer any of your questions as well. If you require further assistance, you may contact the **Toyota Customer Experience Center at 1-888-270-9371** Monday through Friday, 5:00 am to 6:00 pm, or Saturday 7:00 am through 4:00 pm Pacific Time. Your satisfaction is extremely important to us. In the event you are not satisfied with the modification of your accelerator pedal after it is completed, a replacement accelerator pedal will be offered. Customers who have had the remedy completed will have the opportunity to receive a new pedal at no charge if desired.

If you believe that the dealer or Toyota has failed or is unable to remedy the defect within a reasonable time, you may submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20590; or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153) or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

What if you have previously paid for your vehicle's accelerator pedal or floor surface to be modified to address the same condition described above?

if you have previously paid for your vehicle's accelerator pedal or floor surface to be modified to address the same condition described above, please mail a copy of your repair order, proof-of-payment, and proof-of-ownership to the following address for reimbursement consideration:

Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc.
Toyota Customer Experience, WC10
19001 South Western Avenue
Torrance, CA 90509

If you are a vehicle lessor, Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the vehicle lessee within ten days of your receipt of this letter.

We have sent this notice in the interest of your continued satisfaction with our products.

Thank you for driving a Toyota.

Sincerely,

TOYOTA MOTOR SALES, U.S.A., INC.

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