



U.S. Department  
of Transportation  
**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

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Washington, DC 20590

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NVS-215dgl  
10V-357

**SUBJECT: CENTER STAND SCREWS**

**DEAR MR. LAFORTE:**

This letter serves to acknowledge Ducati North America's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety defect in the products described below for which a safety recall campaign shall be conducted pursuant to Federal law.

Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

**Makes/Models/Model Years:**  
DUCATI/MTS 1200ST/2010

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 10V-357

**Mfg's Report Date:** July 28, 2010

**Components:** STRUCTURE MOTORCYCLE KICKSTAND/CENTER STAND

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 495

**Summary:**

DUCATI IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2010 MULTISTRADA 1200 S TOURING EDITION MOTORCYCLES. THE MOTORCYCLE'S CENTER STAND MOUNTING SCREWS MAY COME LOOSE DURING NORMAL OPERATION. THIS SITUATION COULD CAUSE THE CENTER STAND TO POSSIBLY BECOME DISPLACED FROM ITS INTENDED MOUNTING POSITION RESULTING IN DAMAGE TO THE MOTORCYCLE AND A POTENTIAL HAZARD TO THE RIDER.

**Consequence:**

ANY DISPLACEMENT OF THE CENTER STAND COULD ADVERSELY AFFECT THE DRIVER'S ABILITY TO CONTROL THE MOTORCYCLE INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

**Remedy:**

DEALER WILL REMOVE THE CENTER STAND SCREWS APPLY THREAD-LOCKING COMPOUND AND REINSTALL THE SCREWS TO THE SPECIFIED TORQUE. THIS SERVICE WILL BE PERFORMED FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING AUGUST 2010. OWNERS MAY CONTACT DUCATI AT 800-231-6696.

**Notes:**

DUCATI SAFETY RECALL NO. RCL-10-002. OWNERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

The information in your defect report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6.

We have reviewed your proposed owner letter and it meets the requirements of 49 CFR Part 577.


Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Delia Lopez who may be reached by phone at 202-366-9525, or by email at [Delia.lopez@dot.gov](mailto:Delia.lopez@dot.gov), or through the office email at [RMD.ODI@dot.gov](mailto:RMD.ODI@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you toward a successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jennifer Timian  
Acting Chief, Recall Management Division  
Office of Defects Investigation  
Enforcement