



AUTOMOBILE DIVISION
American Honda Motor Co., Inc.
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Safety Recall: Brake Pedal May Be Soft or Low

Dear Element Owner:

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

What is the reason for this notice?

Honda Motor Co., Ltd. has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain 2007-08 model year Element vehicles. Air may enter the brake system's VSA modulator that could result in a brake pedal that feels soft, or a pedal height that gets lower or closer to the floor before the vehicle stops which may affect braking performance, increasing the risk of a crash.

What should you do?

Call any authorized Honda dealer and make an appointment to have your vehicle repaired. The dealer will remove any existing air from the brake system and install sealant and caps to prevent air from entering the VSA modulator. This work will be done *free of charge*. Please plan to leave your vehicle for half a day to allow the dealer flexibility in scheduling.

Who to contact if you experience problems?

If you are not satisfied with the service you receive from your Honda dealer, you may write to:

American Honda Motor Co., Inc.
Honda Automobile Customer Service
Mail Stop 500-2N-7A
1919 Torrance Blvd.
Torrance, CA 90501-2746

If you believe that American Honda or the dealer has failed or is unable to remedy the defect in your vehicle, without charge, within a reasonable period of time (60 days from the date you first contact the dealer for a repair appointment), you may submit a complaint to:

Administrator
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
1200 New Jersey Ave., SE
Washington, DC 20590

Or call the toll-free Safety Hotline at 888-327-4236 (TTY 800-424-9153), or go to [http:// www.safercar.gov](http://www.safercar.gov).

What to do if you feel this notice is in error.

Our records show that you are the current owner or lessee of a 2007 or 2008 Element involved in this campaign. If this is not the case, or the name/address information is not correct, please fill out and return the enclosed, postage-paid *Information Change Card*. We will then update our records.

If you previously paid to have the VSA modulator replaced, you may be eligible for reimbursement. Refer to the attached Instructions for Reimbursement for the eligibility requirements and the reimbursement procedure.

Lessor Information.

Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within 10 days.

If you have questions.

If you have any questions about this notice, or need assistance with locating a Honda dealer, please call Honda Automobile Customer Service at 800-999-1009, and select option 4.

We apologize for any inconvenience this campaign may cause you.

Sincerely,

American Honda Motor Co., Inc.
Honda Automobile Division