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Via Federal Express and Facsimile (electronic and US mail)
Chief Administrator
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Associate Administrator for Safety Assurance (NVS-215)
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, W46-421
Washington, DC 20590

Regarding: 10V-365

Dear Sir/Madam:

First, we thank the Agency for their review and approval of our proposed owner's notification. Enclosed please find hard copies of the Technical Bulletin issued to our dealers as well as the approved owner's letter. All Yamaha motorcycle and scooter dealers will receive a copy of this Technical Bulletin. To facilitate repairs, dealer's invoiced affected products under this recall receive an additional bulletin with a print-out of the affected VIN's for the units they have received. The mailing of both the dealer bulletin and owner's notification letter was completed approximately 8/12/10, so your assumption is correct as to the timing of our quarterly reports.

The determination date for this campaign was July 23, 2010. The starting production period for the affected vehicles was August, 2005, ending March, 2010. As this campaign is international in scope we could only provide in our initial report an estimate of affected vehicles in the U.S. We are now obviously in a position to provide the accurate range. The Technical Bulletin provides the final VIN ranges by model with a total of 53,449 vehicles in the U.S. For TREAD purposes obviously it goes without saying similar campaigns are being conducted in other jurisdictions.

In the event I can provide further information or answer any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. My direct telephone number is 714-761-7842. The fax number is 714-229-7944. My email is brad_franklin@yamaha-motor.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brad Franklin", written over a horizontal line.

Brad Franklin
Manager, Government Relations

BRF/lf

cc: By Fed Ex and Facsimile
Defects & Recall Information Analysis Division
Mrs. Kelly Schuler (via email)
Mr. Robert Young (via email)

Technical BULLETIN

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SAFETY RECALL

This modification has top priority. This bulletin must be performed immediately to ensure customer safety.

NOTE: Bulletins that announce a recall will have an "R" at the end of the bulletin number.

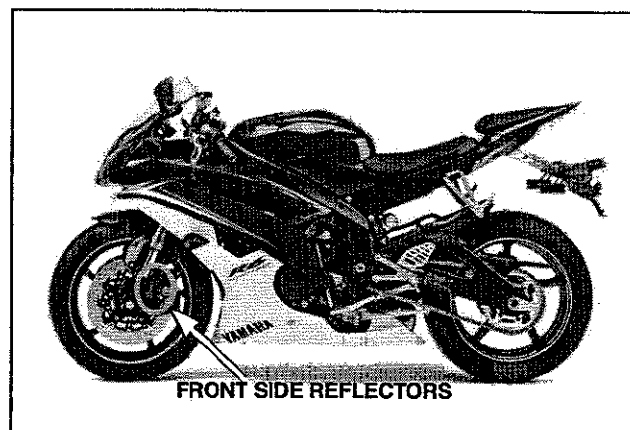
2006 ~ 2010 YZF-R6 MODELS

FACTORY MODIFICATION CAMPAIGN – Front Side Reflectors

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INTRODUCTION

Yamaha Motor Corporation, U.S.A. has decided that certain 2006~2010 YZF-R6 model motorcycles fail to conform to the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 108, "Lamps, Reflective Devices, and Associated Equipment." In affected motorcycles, the front side reflector height does not meet Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard §571.108. This standard specifies that the center point of front side reflectors on a vehicle must be located between 381mm and 1524mm from the ground. The reflector center point on 2006~2010 YZF-R6 models is 358mm, which is too low and could increase the risk of a crash.



To correct this noncompliance, Yamaha is initiating a Factory Modification Campaign. Affected units must have both right and left side front reflector brackets replaced with new type brackets that raise the reflector's center point to a position within the range specified by the regulation.

Yamaha is notifying all registered owners of affected motorcycles by mail. A copy of this letter is included in this bulletin. The customer should take the letter along with the affected motorcycle to an authorized Yamaha dealer for the modification.

A computer report listing all affected motorcycles invoiced to your dealership is included with this bulletin. Use the list to help ensure all motorcycles are modified. All sold motorcycles that have been registered with Yamaha will show the customer's name and address. Your dealership must notify the owner of any affected motorcycle that was actually sold but is listed as "unsold" in the report.

You must modify all affected motorcycles in your inventory as well as all customer-owned motorcycles brought to you for this service. Any affected motorcycle that you purchase from Yamaha in the future will also require modification. If you purchase a motorcycle from another dealer, check to see if the procedures in this bulletin have already been performed before you sell the motorcycle.

Motorcycles that are affected should not be operated until they are modified. It is a violation of Yamaha policy for your dealership to deliver any affected motorcycles to customers until the procedures in this bulletin are performed.

When the modification on each motorcycle is performed, follow the Warranty Information section of this bulletin to receive reimbursement. Be sure to use the Factory Modification Campaign procedures in Chapter 7 of the **Warranty and Y.E.S. Handbook** (LIT-11760-00-08).



DEALER ACTION SUMMARY

Unsold

Units: Install the R6 Reflector Bracket Kit during PDI service.

Sold

Units: Install the R6 Reflector Bracket Kit. Check first to be sure the modification has not already been performed (see *Identification Procedure* section in this bulletin).

Parts: Yes, order an R6 Reflector Bracket Kit for each affected unit. See the *Parts Information* section for details.

Warranty: Factory Modification Campaign. See the *Warranty Information* section of this bulletin. This modification applies to all affected units regardless of ownership or warranty status.

Notify

Customers: Yes. You must immediately contact any customer whose motorcycle shows as unregistered on the enclosed report. Yamaha has sent letters to customers whose motorcycles were registered with state departments of motor vehicles of 8/1/10, as well as any motorcycles registered for warranty after 8/1/10 up to and including 8/9/10.



AFFECTED RANGE

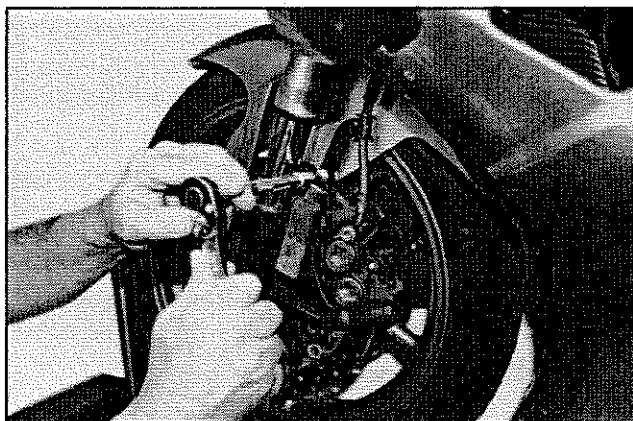
2006 ~ 2010 YZF-R6 Models

Model Code	PID Range
2C05, 2C08, 2C0F	RJ12E-0000016~0023383
2C06, 2C09, 2C0G	RJ12Y-0000004~0006063
13S4, 13S7, 13SE, 13SH, 13SR	RJ16E-0000010~0020911
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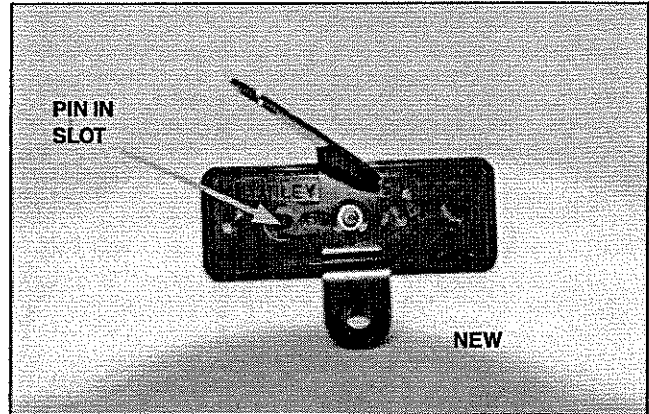
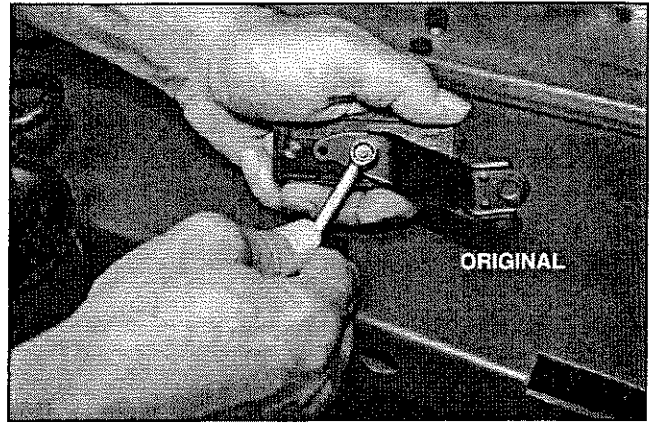


SERVICE PROCEDURES

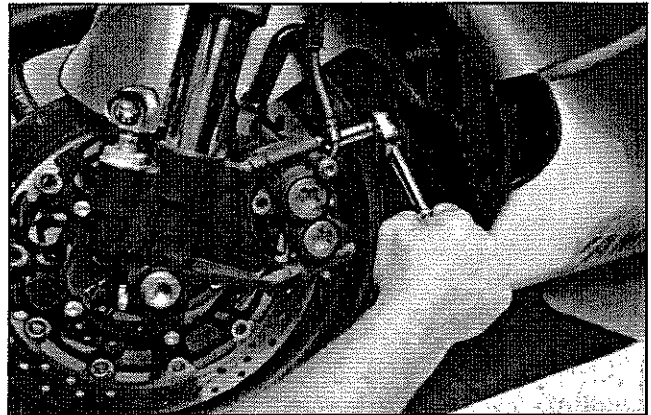
1. Remove the original front reflectors and brackets (RH & LH) by removing the 6mm Allen bolt and nut.



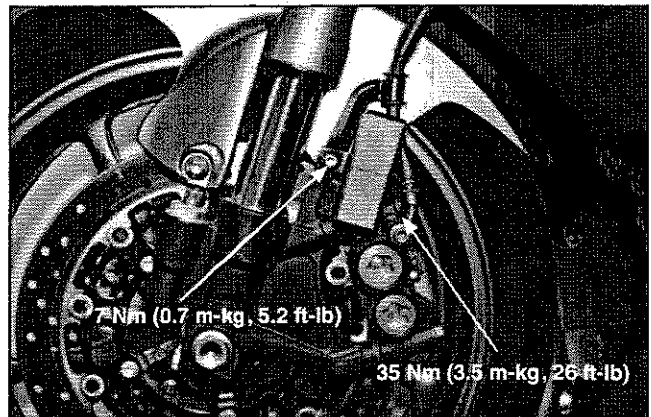
2. Remove the reflectors from the original brackets and install them on the new brackets, aligning the pin on the reflector with the corresponding slot in the new bracket.



3. Remove the upper brake caliper mounting bolts.



4. Install the new reflector brackets (RH & LH side) with the reflector installed, using the original mounting point and the new upper brake caliper mounting point. Torque the mounting bolts to specification

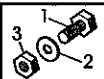
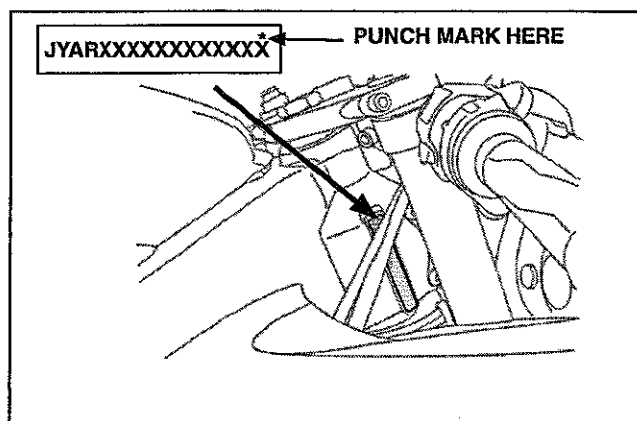




IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURE

When the modification is complete, put a punch mark above the last number of the VIN as shown. Check for this punch mark if you encounter an unfamiliar unit. You can also check unit status on YDS or by contacting your Regional Technical Advisor.

IMPORTANT: On 2006 models, there should also be a punch mark at the beginning of the VIN. If not, check Technical Bulletin M2006-018R regarding air filter element replacement to see if that modification also needs to be performed.



PARTS INFORMATION

Part Number	Description	Qty.	Dealer Cost
90891-20183-00	R6 Reflector Bracket Kit Contents: Bracket, Reflector 1 (13S-85112-00-00) Bracket, Reflector 2 (13S-85122-00-00)	1	\$2.05



WARRANTY INFORMATION

The owner of each registered unit will receive a letter announcing this campaign. The customer's letter includes the Primary ID and Recall Number.

The modification is authorized for all motorcycles, both sold and unsold, regardless of ownership or warranty status. You do not need the customer's letter to perform the modification or to file for reimbursement.

Submit a Recall Request for the parts and labor for R6 Reflector Bracket Kit installation as described below using Recall Number **990058**. Choose the status **"M."** You will be reimbursed for the R6 Reflector Bracket Kit plus labor. The labor allowance is **0.3 hour**.

YDS:

When signed on to YDS, click on the Service Tab, and then "Recall Request-Add." This function will allow you to enter multiple Primary IDs for the same recall. Remember that YDS requires a 7-digit serial number, so use a "0" as the first digit. The system will check your submission instantly to make sure the Primary ID numbers you've entered are valid for the recall. You can check back the next day for your claim numbers to track your credit.

MAIL:

Complete a recall Reimbursement Request (LIT-11790-00-03) as shown below:

Dealer Number		Dealer Name					
Recal Number		Primary I.D.		Date Completed		Status	
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If you have any questions about proper procedures for Factory Modification Campaigns, see Chapter 7 in your **Warranty and Y.E.S. Handbook** (LIT-11760-00-08).



YAMAHA MOTOR CORPORATION, U.S.A.

6555 KATELLA AVENUE, CYPRESS, CALIFORNIA 90630-5101 800-962-7926

SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

August 10, 2010

Dear Yamaha Owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Yamaha Motor Corporation, U.S.A. has decided that certain 2006 through 2010 YZF-R6 ("R6") model motorcycles fail to conform to the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 108, "Lamps, Reflective Devices, and Associated Equipment." Our records show that you own the affected motorcycle shown above.

The reason for this recall:

In affected motorcycles, the front side reflector height does not meet Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard §571.108. This standard specifies that the center point of front side reflectors on a vehicle must be located between 381mm and 1524mm from the ground. The reflector center point on 2006-2010 YZF-R6 models is 358mm, which is too low and could increase the risk of a crash.

What Yamaha and your dealer will do:

To correct this noncompliance, your authorized Yamaha dealer will replace the front side reflector brackets with ones that raise the reflector's center point to a position within the range specified by the regulation. The replacement takes about 20 minutes, but your dealer may need to keep your motorcycle longer depending upon his schedule.

What you should do now:

Please call your Yamaha dealer to make a service appointment to have this procedure performed. At that same time, you can find out how long he expects he will need to keep your motorcycle for this service. Remember to take this letter with you when you take in your motorcycle.

You should not ride your motorcycle until this modification is performed.

If you are unable to return to the Yamaha dealer who sold you the motorcycle, this service will be performed by any authorized Yamaha Motorcycle dealer. For the name of a dealer near you, call 1-800-88-YAMAHA or visit the Yamaha web site at: www.yamaha-motor.com.

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

If you need help:

If, after contacting your dealership, you have questions or concerns which the dealership is unable to answer, please write to:

Yamaha Motor Corporation, U.S.A.
Customer Relations Department
P.O. Box 6555
Cypress CA 90630
or call 1-800-962-7926.

If, after contacting Yamaha Customer Relations, you are still not satisfied that we have done our best to remedy the situation without charge and within a reasonable time, you may submit a written complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590; or call the Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

If you no longer own this Yamaha:

If you have sold your motorcycle to another party, please call us toll-free at 1-800-962-7926 with the name and address of the new owner, along with the serial number shown above your name on the address label above.

We're sorry to cause you any inconvenience, but we are sincerely concerned about your safety and continued satisfaction with our products. Thank you for giving your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,
Customer Support Group
Yamaha Motor Corporation, U.S.A.

