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2009 F-150 Ford Truck  
Vehicle ID #: 11S15

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

Ford Motor Company has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in your vehicle, with the Vehicle Identification Number shown above.

We apologize for this situation and want to assure you that, with your assistance, we will correct this condition. Our commitment, together with your dealer, is to provide you with the highest level of service and support.

**What is the issue?**

The springs holding each interior side door handle in place on your vehicle may lose tension, resulting in the handles not fully returning to the closed position. In the event of a side impact crash, a side door handle may unlatch and potentially allow the door to open, increasing the risk of injury to an occupant. It is anticipated that parts to complete the door handle repair will be available in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of 2011.

In the interim, if any interior door handle on your vehicle fails to return fully to the closed position after activation, please contact your dealer without delay and request a service appointment for Recall 11S15.

**What will Ford and your dealer do?**

When parts are available, Ford Motor Company will authorize your dealer to reinforce the interior door handles on your vehicle free of charge (parts and labor). Ford is currently working closely with suppliers to expedite part availability, which is anticipated to be in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of 2011.

Vehicle owners will be re-notified by mail when parts are available.

In the interim period until the reinforcement parts are available, your dealer will replace any door handle that has lost spring tension. If the interim repair is performed on your vehicle, you will need to return to your dealer for reinforcement of the remaining door handles once you are notified by Ford that parts are available.

**How long will it take?**

The time needed for this repair is less than one-half day. However, due to service scheduling requirements, your dealer may need your vehicle for a longer period of time.

**What should you do?**

If your vehicle has an interior door handle that fails to return to the closed position after activation, please call your dealer without delay and request a service date for Recall 11S15. Provide the dealer with the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) of your vehicle. The VIN is printed near your name at the beginning of this letter.

If you do not already have a servicing dealer, you can access [www.Fordowner.com](http://www.Fordowner.com) for dealer addresses, maps, and driving instructions.

Ford Motor Company wants you to have this safety recall completed on your vehicle. The vehicle owner is responsible for making arrangements to have the work completed. Ford Motor Company can deny coverage for any vehicle damage that may result from the failure to have this recall performed on a timely basis. Therefore, please have this recall performed as soon as possible.

**Please note: Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.**

**What if you no longer own this vehicle?**

If you no longer own this vehicle, and have an address for the current owner, please forward this letter to the new owner.

You received this notice because government regulations require that notification be sent to the last known owner of record. Our records are based primarily on state registration and title data, which indicate that you are the current owner.

**Can we assist you further?**

If you have difficulties getting your vehicle repaired promptly and without charge, please contact your dealership's Service Manager for assistance.

**RETAIL OWNERS:** If you still have concerns, please contact the Ford Motor Company Customer Relationship Center at 1-866-436-7332 and one of our representatives will be happy to assist you. For the hearing impaired call 1-800-232-5952 (TDD). Representatives are available Monday through Friday: 8:00AM - 5:00PM (Your Local Time).

If you wish to contact us through the Internet, our address is: [www.Fordowner.com](http://www.Fordowner.com).

**FLEET OWNERS:** If you still have concerns, please contact the Fleet Customer Information Center at 1-800-34-FLEET, select option #3 and one of our representatives will be happy to assist you. Representatives are available Monday through Friday: 8:00AM - 5:00PM (Your Local Time).

Or you may contact us through the Internet at [www.fleet.ford.com](http://www.fleet.ford.com).

If you are still having difficulty getting your vehicle repaired in a reasonable time or without charge, you may write the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave. 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 [www.safercar.gov](http://www.safercar.gov).

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

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