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**Certain 2007 – 2008 Model Year RAV4 Vehicles and
Certain 2008 Model Year Highlander/Highlander HV Vehicles
Curtain Shield Airbag (CSA) Sensor
SAFETY RECALL NOTICE *(Interim Notice)***

Dear Toyota Customer:

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 certain 2007 – 2008 Model Year RAV4 vehicles and certain 2008 Model Year Highlander/Highlander HV vehicles.

The purpose of this letter is to explain what the recall is about and to keep you informed of Toyota's implementation plan. We are currently making preparations to implement the Safety Recall remedy. **We will send you another notification when the replacement parts are ready and preparations are complete.**

What is the condition?

In the curtain shield airbag (CSA) system of the subject vehicle, there are two sensors in the airbag sensor assembly which are designed to detect vehicle roll angle. If one of these sensors malfunctions, the airbag warning light (Malfunction indicator Light: MIL) will illuminate and the roll detection system will be suspended; however, the airbag (CSA) remains available in the event of a side crash. If both sensors fail nearly simultaneously, the CSA and the seat belt pretensioner could inadvertently deploy upon vehicle startup (or within several seconds of startup) or during vehicle operation. Inadvertent deployment of the CSA and/or the seat belt pretensioner can cause injury to a vehicle occupant.

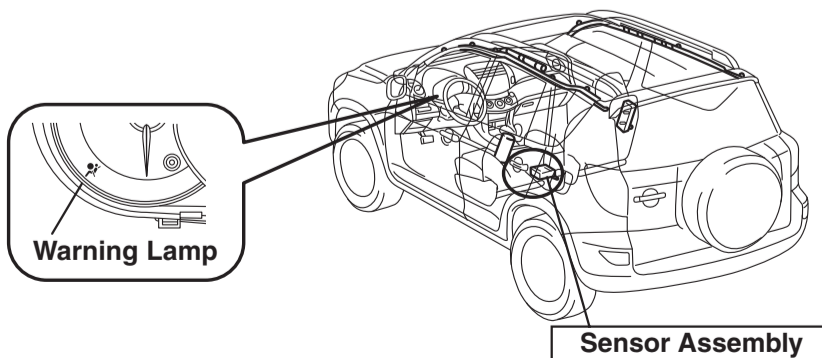
What is Toyota going to do?

Toyota is currently working on the remedy. You will receive a second owner notification letter when the remedy is available.

What should you do?

We appreciate your patience while we prepare the remedy. You may reduce the risk of injury by having all occupants properly seated with their seat belts fastened, including all infant and child occupants fastened in child restraints, prior to turning on the vehicle ignition. All vehicle occupants should remain properly seated with their seat belts fastened while the vehicle is in operation.

In addition, please pay close attention to the air bag warning light. The air bag warning light is designed to come on, during the ignition cycle check function, when the engine switch is turned to the "ON" position. The light then goes off after about 6 seconds. ***This means the system is operating as designed.*** If the airbag warning light (1) illuminates or remains illuminated ***after*** this 6 second check period, or (2) comes on while driving, or (3) at times previously stayed illuminated while driving, please contact your local Toyota dealer immediately for diagnosis and appropriate repair. If the problem is related to the issue addressed by this recall, the repair will be performed at **no charge** to you.



If you would like to update your vehicle ownership or contact information, please go to www.toyota.com/ownersupdate. You will need your full 17-digit Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) to input the new information.

What if you have other questions?

Your local Toyota dealer will be more than happy to answer any of your questions. If you require further assistance, you may contact Toyota Customer Experience Center at 1-888-270-9371 Monday through Friday, 5:00 am to 6:00 pm, Saturday 7:00 am through 4:00 pm Pacific Time.

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 Hot Line at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153), or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

What if you have previously paid for repairs to your vehicle for this specific condition?

If you have previously paid for repairs to your vehicle for this specific condition prior to receiving this letter, we will provide you instructions for reimbursement consideration in the second owner letter once the remedy preparations are completed.

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 lessee within ten days.

We have sent this notice in the interest of your continued satisfaction with our products, and we sincerely regret any inconvenience this condition may have caused you.

Thank you for driving a Toyota.

Sincerely,

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