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Recall Management Division National Highway Traffic Safety Administration 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

Re: Toyota Safety Recall 12V-305 - Owner Notification (Remedy)

To whom it may concern,

Please find attached, for your records, representative copies of the previously approved Owner Notification Letter for Safety Recall 12V-305 on the following models:

• 2008 to 2011 Model Year Land Cruiser

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (310) 468-5316.

Sincerely,

**Quality Compliance Assistant Manager** 

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Attachments:

• Toyota 12V-305 (90L Ph12) Owner Notification (Remedy)



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#### **URGENT SAFETY RECALL**

This is an important Safety Recall.

The remedy will be performed at **NO CHARGE** to you.

# 2008 to 2011 Model Year Land Cruiser Vehicles Potential Floor Mat Interference with Accelerator Pedal SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

[VIN]

Dear Toyota Owner:

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 2008 to 2011 Model Year Land Cruiser vehicles.

#### What is the condition?

The defect is the potential for an unsecured or incompatible driver's floor mat to interfere with the accelerator pedal and cause it to get stuck in the wide open position. A stuck open accelerator pedal may result in very high vehicle speeds and make it difficult to stop the vehicle, which could cause a crash, serious injury or death. Toyota has determined that this defect does not exist in vehicles in which the driver side floor mat is compatible with the vehicle and properly secured.

### What will Toyota do?

- To make it less likely that an unsecured or incompatible driver's floor mat can interfere with the accelerator pedal on your vehicle, any Toyota dealer will remedy your vehicle at **NO CHARGE** to you. The remedy will entail modifying the accelerator pedal.
- If your vehicle is equipped with a set of optional genuine Toyota All Weather Floor Mats (AWFM), it will be inspected to determine if the AWFM set is of an older design. If it is, the older design AWFMs for the driver and the front seat passenger will be replaced with newly designed ones at **NO CHARGE** to you.
- Before the vehicle is returned to you, Toyota will inspect the driver's carpet and will clean it if necessary at NO CHARGE
  to you.

# What should you do?

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Please contact your authorized Toyota dealer to make an appointment to have these important remedies performed on your vehicle as soon as possible.

The remedy will take approximately 1 hour. However, depending upon the dealer's work schedule, it may be necessary to make your vehicle available for a longer period of time.

Until these important remedies are completed, we request that you take out <u>any removable</u> driver's floor mat, place it in the trunk, and NOT replace it with any other floor mat until the campaign remedy has been implemented on your vehicle. If you have an optional genuine Toyota All Weather Floor Mat, please bring it to the dealership at the time of your remedy.

In the event you choose not to take out your removable floor mat, Toyota strongly recommends that you ensure that the correct floor mat is being used; you may use the table below to confirm if your vehicle has the most current floor mat part number installed. If your vehicle has the most current floor mat, ensure that it is properly installed and secured; that it is not flipped over with the bottom-side up, and that one floor mat is not stacked over another. If your vehicle does not have one of these mats properly installed, please remove it immediately. Please read the important warning information enclosed with this letter.

Floor Mat Type	Color	Correct Part Number	
Carpet	Gray	PT206-60080-01	
	lvory	PT206-60080-10	

If you would like to update your vehicle ownership or contact information, you may do so by registering at <a href="https://www.toyota.com/ownersupdate">www.toyota.com/ownersupdate</a>. You will need your full 17-digit Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) to input the new information.

# What should you do if you experience accelerator pedal interference?

Should the vehicle continue to accelerate rapidly after releasing the accelerator pedal, this could be an indication of floor mat interference. If this occurs, Toyota recommends you take the following actions:

First, if it is possible and safe to do so, pull back the floor mat and dislodge it from the accelerator pedal; then pull over and stop the vehicle.

If the floor mat cannot be dislodged, then firmly and steadily step on the brake pedal with both feet. Do NOT pump the brake pedal repeatedly as this will increase the effort required to slow the vehicle.

Shift the transmission gear selector to the  $\underline{\text{Neutral}}$  (N) position and use the brakes to make a controlled stop at the side of the road and turn off the engine.

If unable to put the vehicle in Neutral, turn the engine OFF. This will not cause loss of steering or braking control, but the power assist to these systems will be lost.

- If the vehicle is equipped with an Engine Start/Stop button, firmly and steadily push the button for at least three seconds to turn off the engine. Do NOT tap the Engine Start/Stop button.
- If the vehicle is equipped with a conventional key-ignition, turn the ignition key to the ACC position to turn off the engine. Do NOT remove the key from the ignition as this will lock the steering wheel.

Please place this letter in your Owner's Manual for future reference.

## 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 the Toyota Customer Experience Center at 1-888-270-9371 Monday through Friday, 5:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturday 7:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m. Pacific Time. Your satisfaction is extremely important to us. In the event you are not satisfied with the modification of your accelerator pedal after it is completed, a replacement accelerator pedal will be offered. Customers who have had the remedy completed will have the opportunity to receive a new pedal at no charge if desired.

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 <a href="https://www.safercar.gov">www.safercar.gov</a>.

# What if you have previously paid for your vehicle's accelerator pedal to be modified to address the same condition described above?

If you have previously paid for your vehicle's accelerator pedal to be modified to address the same condition described above, please mail a copy of your repair order, proof-of-payment and proof-of-ownership to the following address for reimbursement consideration:

Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. Toyota Customer Experience, WC10 19001 South Western Avenue Torrance, CA 90509

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.

#### Toyota Carpeted or All-Weather Floor Mat Inspection, Application and Installation Instructions



#### Read these important Warnings BEFORE installing ANY type of Floor Mat.

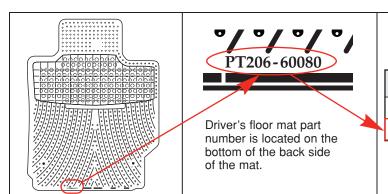
#### A. General Floor Mat Warnings

- Only install floor mats designed specifically for that model and model year. Check for correct model name and part number on the packaging label to confirm vehicle application.
  - Never install a floor mat if you are uncertain of the model application.
  - Never install the floor mat upside down or turned over for any reason.
  - Only install the driver's floor mat in the driver's foot area.
- Always properly secure the driver's floor mat using the retaining hooks (clips) supplied in the bag with the floor mats (in the case of Toyota with the carpet floor mats). Follow the floor mat retention clip installation instruction supplied with the clips. If the mat is properly secured and you have confirmed vehicle applicability, it will not interfere with the accelerator pedal.
  - Never install the front driver's floor mat without all retaining hooks (clips) securing the mat firmly in place.
- The retaining hooks (clips) are designed to accommodate only one floor mat at a time.
  - Do not install another floor mat(s) on top of an existing driver's floor mat.
- After installation, always check the operation of the accelerator, brake and clutch (if applicable) pedals to assure the floor mat does not interfere with them.
- Carefully read the warning tag attached to the driver's floor mat regarding installation.

# **B.** Floor Mat Inspection Instructions and Application Information

- · Before placing a floor mat in a vehicle be familiar with the procedure outlined below.
  - Identify the correct driver's floor mat for the specific vehicle application.
  - Correctly install the driver's floor mat.
- Regularly verify the correct floor mat is securely installed in the appropriate model using the retaining hooks (clips).

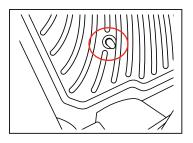
NOTE: Use the Application Information Chart to verify mat-to-vehicle application.



(Sample of Application Information Chart)
See Attachments for details specific to your vehicle.

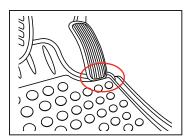
Part Number	Model	Туре	Color
PT206-60080- 01	Land Cruiser	Carpeted	Gray
PT206-60080- 10	Land Cruiser	Carpeted	Ivory

The last 2 digits on the part number indicate the color code



Make sure the driver's floor mat is properly secured by the retaining hooks (clips). Confirm that the retaining hooks (clips) are secured into the grommet holes in the vehicle's floor (carpet).

Warning: Do not stack the floor mats in any vehicle. The retaining hooks (clips) are designed to accommodate only one floor mat at a time.



- Check the following pedal operation (fully depress the pedal) to assure the floor mat does not interfere with it. Make sure the vehicle is turned off and in the "Park" position when testing:
  - Accelerator Pedal
  - Brake Pedal
  - Clutch Pedal (if equipped)