



Applies To: **2012 Ridgeline** – Check the iN VIN status for eligibility

**August 31, 2012**

**Safety Recall: Hazard Switch Assembly With Incorrect “Passenger Airbag Off” Indicator**

**BACKGROUND**

A dashboard hazard switch assembly incorporating an incorrect “passenger airbag off” indicator may have been installed on seventeen 2012 Ridgelines. The passenger airbag off indicator on the switch does not comply with FMVSS 208.

**CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION**

All owners of affected vehicles will be notified of this safety recall.

Do an **iN VIN status inquiry** to make sure the vehicle is shown as eligible.

Some vehicles affected by this recall may be in your new or used vehicle inventory. As a matter of federal law, these vehicles **must** be repaired before they are sold.

Should a dealership sell an unrepaired vehicle that subsequently causes injury or damage because of the recalled item, the dealership will be solely responsible to the damaged party, and will be required to defend and indemnify American Honda for any resulting claims. To see if a vehicle in inventory is affected by this recall, do a VIN status inquiry before selling it.

**CORRECTIVE ACTION**

Inspect the passenger airbag indicator, then replace the hazard switch assembly, if needed.

**NOTE:** Since there are only 17 affected vehicles and not all of them are anticipated to have the incorrect passenger airbag indicator, to minimize unnecessary parts demand, only order a replacement switch after you have confirmed that an incorrect switch was installed. You may be able to determine whether a new assembly is needed when the customer makes a repair appointment.

**PARTS INFORMATION**

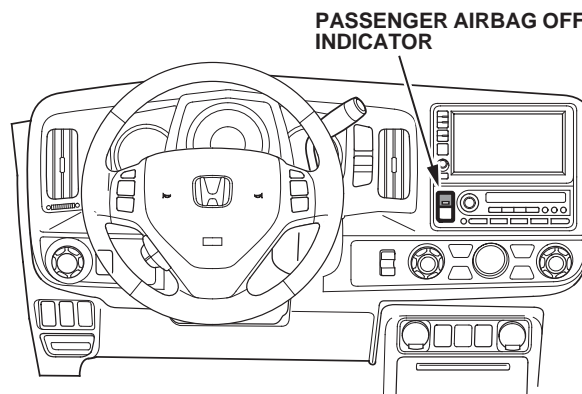
Hazard Switch Assembly:  
P/N 35510-SJC-A11ZB

**WARRANTY CLAIM INFORMATION**

Operation Number: 7271B3  
Flat Rate Time: 0.2 hour  
Failed Part: 35510-SJC-A11ZB  
Defect Code: 5WJ00  
Symptom Code: S5200  
Skill Level: Repair Technician

**INSPECTION PROCEDURE**

Inspect the passenger airbag off indicator; it is on the dashboard hazard switch assembly.



Use the illustrations to determine if the indicator is correct or not correct.



**CORRECT**



**NOT CORRECT**  
Replace the switch.

**Correct** – If the indicator is correct, no repair is necessary.

**Not Correct** – If the indicator is **not** correct, go to **REPAIR PROCEDURE**.

**REPAIR PROCEDURE**

Replace the hazard switch assembly:

- Refer to the appropriate service manual, or
- Online, enter keyword **INSTRUMENT**, and select **Instrument Panel Removal/Installation** from the list.



**CUSTOMER INFORMATION:** The information in this bulletin is intended for use only by skilled technicians who have the proper tools, equipment, and training to correctly and safely maintain your vehicle. These procedures should not be attempted by “do-it-yourselfers,” and you should not assume this bulletin applies to your vehicle, or that your vehicle has the condition described. To determine whether this information applies, contact an authorized Honda automobile dealer.