

Bulletin No.: 14594

Date: October 2014





PRODUCT SAFETY RECALL

SUBJECT: Drivers Airbag Module Retention

MODELS: 2015 Chevrolet Corvette

It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by this notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied.

Vehicles involved in this recall were placed on stop delivery September 11, 2014. Once the service procedure contained in this bulletin has been performed on the vehicle, the vehicle is released from stop delivery and the vehicle can be delivered to the customer.

All involved vehicles that are in dealer inventory must be held and not delivered to customers, dealer traded, or used for demonstration purposes until the repair contained in this bulletin has been performed on the vehicle.

CONDITION

General Motors has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain 2015 model year Chevrolet Corvette vehicles. If one of these vehicles is involved in a crash in which the driver air bag deploys, the module reaction plate may fracture. This fracture may allow the driver airbag's retention wire to pull through the housing, which can result in the driver air bag separating from the steering wheel. If the driver air bag separates from the steering wheel, the driver air bag may provide reduced restraint and increase the potential for occupant injury.

<u>CORRECTION</u>

Dealers are to replace the Driver Airbag Module with a revised Driver Airbag Module.

VEHICLES INVOLVED

All involved vehicles are identified by Vehicle Identification Number on the Investigate Vehicle History screen in GM Global Warranty Management system. Dealership service personnel should always check this site to confirm vehicle involvement prior to beginning any required inspections and/or repairs. It is important to routinely use this tool to verify eligibility because not all similar vehicles may be involved regardless of description or option content.

For dealers with involved vehicles, a listing with involved vehicles containing the complete vehicle identification number, customer name, and address information has been prepared and

will be provided to US and Canadian dealers through the GM GlobalConnect Recall Reports. Dealers will not have a report available if they have no involved vehicles currently assigned.

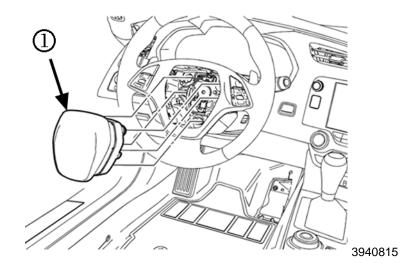
The listing may contain customer names and addresses obtained from Motor Vehicle Registration Records. The use of such motor vehicle registration data for any purpose other than follow-up necessary to complete this recall is a violation of law in several states/provinces/countries. Accordingly, you are urged to limit the use of this report to the follow-up necessary to complete this recall.

PART INFORMATION

Parts required to complete this recall are to be obtained from General Motors Customer Care and Aftersales (GMCC&A). Initial orders will be pre-shipped to dealers with involved vehicles starting the week of October 6. All orders will be cancelled until October 9 when parts will be become available for ordering. At the time of open order, normal orders should be placed on a DRO = Daily Replenishment Order. In an emergency situation, parts should be ordered on a CSO = Customer Special Order

| Part Number | Description | Quantity/Vehicle |
|-------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 23291929 | AIRBAG ASM-STRG WHL | 1 |

SERVICE PROCEDURE



- 1. Remove the steering wheel airbag module (1). Refer to *Steering Wheel Airbag Replacement* in SI.
- 2. Install the new steering wheel airbag module. Refer to *Steering Wheel Airbag Replacement* in SI.

COURTESY TRANSPORTATION – For US and Canada

The General Motors Courtesy Transportation program is intended to minimize customer inconvenience when a vehicle requires a repair that is covered by the New Vehicle Limited Warranties. The availability of courtesy transportation to customers whose vehicles are within the warranty coverage period and involved in a product program is very important in maintaining customer satisfaction. Dealers are to ensure that these customers understand that shuttle

service or some other form of courtesy transportation is available and will be provided at no charge. Dealers should refer to the General Motors Service Policies and Procedures Manual for Courtesy Transportation guidelines.

WARRANTY TRANSACTION INFORMATION

Submit a transaction using the table below. All transactions should be submitted as a ZFAT transaction type, unless noted otherwise.

Note: To avoid having to "H" route the floor plan transaction for approval, it must be submitted prior to the repair transaction.

| Labor Code | Description | Labor Time | Net Item |
|---------------|---|---------------|-------------|
| 9100938 | Steering Wheel Airbag Replacement (Includes Deploy) | 0.5 | N/A |
| 9100957 | Floor Plan Reimbursement | N/A | * |

* The amount identified in "Net Item" should represent the product of the vehicle's average daily interest rate (see table below) multiplied by the actual number of days the vehicle was in dealer inventory and not available for sale. This reimbursement is limited to the number of days from the date of the stop delivery message (September 11, 2014) to the date the repair is completed and the vehicle is ready for sale (not to exceed 33 days).

| Vehicle | US Reimbursement Amount | Canadian Reimbursement Amount |
|----------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Corvette | \$ 8.42 | \$ 9.85 |

CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION - For US and Canada

General Motors will notify customers of this recall on their vehicle (see copy of customer letter included with this bulletin).

<u>DEALER RECALL RESPONSIBILITY</u> – For US and Export (US States, Territories, and Possessions)

It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by this notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied.

The US National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act provides that each vehicle that is subject to a recall of this type must be adequately repaired within a reasonable time after the customer has tendered it for repair. A failure to repair within sixty days after tender of a vehicle is prima facie evidence of failure to repair within a reasonable time. If the condition is not adequately repaired within a reasonable time, the customer may be entitled to an identical or reasonably equivalent vehicle at no charge or to a refund of the purchase price less a reasonable allowance for depreciation. To avoid having to provide these burdensome remedies, every effort must be made to promptly schedule an appointment with each customer and to repair their vehicle as soon as possible. In the recall notification letters, customers are told how to contact the US National Highway Traffic Safety Administration if the recall is not completed within a reasonable time.

DEALER RECALL RESPONSIBILITY - AII

All unsold new vehicles in dealers' possession and subject to this recall <u>must</u> be held and inspected/repaired per the service procedure of this recall bulletin <u>before</u> customers take possession of these vehicles.

Dealers are to service all vehicles subject to this recall at no charge to customers, regardless of mileage, age of vehicle, or ownership, from this time forward.

Customers who have recently purchased vehicles sold from your vehicle inventory, and for which there is no customer information indicated on the dealer listing, are to be contacted by the dealer. Arrangements are to be made to make the required correction according to the instructions contained in this bulletin. A copy of the customer letter is provided in this bulletin for your use in contacting customers. Recall follow-up cards should not be used for this purpose, since the customer may not as yet have received the notification letter.

In summary, whenever a vehicle subject to this recall enters your vehicle inventory, or is in your dealership for service in the future, you must take the steps necessary to be sure the recall correction has been made before selling or releasing the vehicle.



IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

October 2014

Dear General Motors Customer:

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

General Motors has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain 2015 model year Chevrolet Corvette vehicles. As a result, GM is conducting a safety recall. We apologize for this inconvenience. However, we are concerned about your safety and continued satisfaction with our products.

IMPORTANT

- This notice applies to your vehicle.
- Your vehicle is involved in GM safety recall 14594.
- Schedule an appointment with your GM dealer.
- This service will be performed for you at no charge.

Why is your vehicle being recalled?

If your vehicle is involved in a crash in which the driver air bag deploys, the module reaction plate may fracture. This fracture may allow the driver airbag's retention wire to pull through the housing, which can result in the driver air bag separating from the steering wheel. If the driver air bag separates from the steering wheel, the driver air bag may provide reduced restraint and increase the potential for occupant injury.

What will we do?

Your GM dealer will replace the Driver Airbag Module with a revised Driver Airbag Module. This service will be performed for you at **no charge**. Because of service scheduling requirements, it is likely that your dealer will need your vehicle longer than the actual time of approximately 30 minutes.

What should you do?

You should contact your GM dealer to arrange a service appointment as soon as possible.

Do you have questions?

If you have questions or concerns that your dealer is unable to resolve, please contact the appropriate Customer Assistance Center at the number listed below.

| Division | Number | Text Telephones (TTY) |
|-----------------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Chevrolet | 1-800-222-1020 | 1-800-833-2438 |
| Puerto Rico – English | 1-800-496-9992 | |
| Puerto Rico – Español | 1-800-496-9993 | |
| Virgin Islands | 1-800-496-9994 | |

If after contacting your dealer and the Customer Assistance Center, you are still not satisfied we have done our best to remedy this condition without charge and within a reasonable time,

you may wish to write the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590, or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1.888.327.4236 (TTY 1.800.424.9153), or go to http://www.safercar.gov. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Campaign ID Number for this recall is 14V570.

Federal regulation requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

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