

Honda Recall Notification – Amendment to 15V-439

Starter Relay Recall Expansion

CBR300R/RA, CBR500R/RA, CB500F/FA, CB500X/XA

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Submit Expansion to NHTSA – December 21, 2015

573.6(c)(2)

Identification of potentially affected vehicles:

Honda CBR300R/RA	Certain 2015 model year	See attached VIN list
Honda CBR500R/RA	Certain 2014 model year	See attached VIN list
Honda CB500F/FA	Certain 2014 model year	See attached VIN list
Honda CB500X/XA	Certain 2014 model year	See attached VIN list

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Total number of potentially affected vehicles:

<u>Previous Population</u>	<u>New/Current Population</u>
45,066	47,168

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Percentage of affected vehicles that contain the defect: TBD

Description of the basis for the determination of the recall population:

The recall population was determined based on manufacturing records. The VIN range reflects all possible vehicles that could potentially experience the problem.

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Defect description:

During assembly of the starter relay switch, sealant may have been applied incorrectly which could increase resistance across the main fuse, potentially interrupting the motorcycle's battery voltage to the electrical system. An interruption of electrical system battery voltage could cause the engine to A) not start or B) stall while riding. In an extreme case, the increased resistance at the main fuse could cause the starter relay switch to catch on fire.

573.6(c)(2)(iv)

Identification of affected component:

Component:	Starter Magnetic Switch
Country of Origin:	Japan
Manufacturer:	Honda Lock
Contact Name	Kazumi Inomata
Address:	3700 Shimonaka, Sadowara-cho, Miyazaki-shi, Miyazaki, 880-0293, Japan
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573.6(c)(6)

Chronology:

June 24, 2015

Honda Motor Co., Ltd determined that a safety defect exists and decided to conduct a safety recall (15V-439).

July 2, 2015

HMC receives it first report of an affected starter relay on a unit outside the affected VIN range. Honda Lock begins an investigation of starter relay deliveries to the factory.

July 6, 2015

Honda Lock determines that due to incorrect production part labeling, affected starter relays were shipped to Honda factories in Japan and Thailand to be used in production.

July 9, 2015

American Honda Motor, Co., Inc. (AHM) issues the first report to HMC of a unit with an affected starter relay lot number outside the VIN range.

July 15, 2015

HMC requests to identify the units that could potentially be affected.

August 18, 2015

Affected units produced in Japan are identified.

August 19, 2015

Affected units produced in Thailand are identified.

December 14, 2015

HMC determined that a safety defect exists in motorcycles outside the VIN range of recall 15V-439 and decided to conduct a safety recall on the expanded VIN range.

As reported on July 1, 2015, American Honda had received 28 warranty claims, 1 field report, and 0 injuries related to this issue.

As of December 17, 2015 American Honda has received 25 warranty claims, 18 field reports and 0 injuries related to this issue for units outside the VIN range reported to NHTSA on July 1, 2015.

573.6(c)(8)(i)

Program for remedying the defect:

The owners of all affected vehicles will be contacted by mail and asked to take their vehicle to a Honda motorcycle dealer. The dealer will inspect the lot number of the starter relay switch and replace if necessary.

573.6(c)(8)(ii)

The estimated date to start notification to dealers:	December 21, 2015
The estimated date to stop notification to dealers:	TBD
The estimated date to start notifications to owners:	January 29, 2015
The estimated date to stop notifications to owners:	January 29, 2015

573.6(c)(11)

Manufacturer's campaign number: JS9, JT0

VIN List:

MY	Model Code	Type	VIN		Production Date	
			from	to	from	to
2015	CBR300RAF	9AC	MLHNC5150F5100001	MLHNC5150F5100032	6/3/2014	6/3/2014
	CBR300RF	A	MLHNC5102F5100005	MLHNC5103F5100174	5/9/2014	5/27/2014
		9AC	MLHNC5114F5100001	MLHNC5111F5100022	6/3/2014	6/3/2014
		8A	MLHNC5105F5100001	MLHNC5103F5100224	5/9/2014	5/28/2014
		2A	MLHNC5109F5100003	MLHNC5104F5100104	5/9/2014	5/26/2014
2014	CBR500RAE	AC	MLHPC4400E5100193	MLHPC4407E5100398	1/15/2014	4/9/2014
	CBR500RE	AC	MLHPC4416E5100191	MLHPC4418E5100340	1/24/2014	4/9/2014
		A	MLHPC4464E5101089	MLHPC4469E5101878	1/9/2014	4/23/2014
		3A	MLHPC4463E5101021	MLHPC4464E5101898	12/24/2013	4/23/2014
		2AC	MLHPC4413E5100245	MLHPC4419E5100346	1/24/2014	4/9/2014
2014	CB500FAE	AC	MLHPC450XE5100233	MLHPC4509E5100286	1/7/2014	3/17/2014
	CB500FE	AC	MLHPC4517E5100179	MLHPC4514E5100236	3/17/2014	3/27/2014
		A	MLHPC4565E5101195	MLHPC4566E5101254	3/25/2014	3/25/2014
		3A	MLHPC4568E5101255	MLHPC4564E5101298	3/28/2014	3/28/2014
		2AC	MLHPC451XE5100189	MLHPC4518E5100210	3/17/2014	3/17/2014
2014	CB500XAE	AC	MLHPC460XE5100067	MLHPC4608E5100102	12/20/2013	2/17/2014
	CB500XE	AC	MLHPC4614E5100087	MLHPC4618E5100142	12/20/2013	4/8/2014
		A	MLHPC4666E5100491	MLHPC4668E5100766	12/19/2013	4/8/2014