

**2016 Civic Piston Pin Snap Ring Misset Safety Recall**

What is the reason for this recall?	During assembly of certain 2.0 liter engines, piston assembly manufacturing errors could result in a missing or mis-set piston pin circlip. Engine vibration can cause an unsecured piston pin to move out of place and interfere with the engine cylinder wall, potentially resulting in a seized engine. A seized engine will cause unexpected deceleration and loss of motive power, increasing the risk of crash. Engine block damage could also occur and allow for engine oil leakage, increasing the risk of fire in the presence of an ignition source.
Does this affect the 1.5 liter turbo engine?	No. This issue only affects certain 2.0 liter Civic engines. No turbo engines are included in this recall.
What will be done to recalled vehicles?	A Honda dealer will inspect the engine pistons to determine if the piston pin circlips are properly installed. If a circlip is found to be missing or mis-set, the dealer will replace the affected piston assembly and remedy any engine damage that may have been caused by movement of the piston pin.
How long will the inspection/repair take?	The time to complete the recall repair will depend on the results of the inspection and any necessary repairs if a problem is found. If all piston pin circlips are found to be properly installed, the process should take less than 3 hours to complete.
When will customers be notified?	The most up-to-date available consumer information about this action can be obtained at <a href="http://www.recalls.honda.com">www.recalls.honda.com</a> or by calling (888) 234-2138. Mailed notification to owners of affected vehicles will begin in late-March 2016.
Can dealers begin repairs immediately?	Some of the parts necessary to complete the engine inspection process are in short supply at this time. Thus dealers may need to delay the inspection process until they can obtain the required parts.
What parts are needed for an inspection?	Certain parts must be removed to complete the inspection including sealing gaskets and other components that are not frequently replaced in normal operation. Honda is working to obtain enough of these components to allow inspection of all affected vehicles.
What should a customer do if their vehicle is experiencing a problem now?	All of the potentially affected vehicles should still be covered by the limited powertrain warranty. If a customer experiences any engine problem now, they should immediately contact their local Honda dealer for assistance.
If a customer doesn't want to drive their car or wait for parts to be available for the inspection, what should be done?	Honda is working to acquire the required parts as soon as possible. For customers who express concerns or who don't want to wait for repairs, the dealer should consider each request on a case by case basis based on each customer's particular needs and concerns. Resolution options include utilizing the limited available parts supplies to repair that customer's vehicle or, after consulting the DPSM, potentially placing the customer into a loaner or rental vehicle until the parts become available.
Are all 2016 Civics affected?	No. Only a limited number of specific Civic Sedans equipped with the 2.0 liter engine will be affected by this recall.  This recall also only affects those 2016 Civic 2.0 liter models built before January 8, 2016, when engine production process improvements were made to prevent the type of error at the root of this recall.
What Civic trims are equipped with the 2.0 liter engine?	The Civic LX (all) and Civic EX Sedans are available with the 2.0 liter engine.  The Civic EX is also available with a 1.5 liter turbo engine, which is not affected by this recall.
Have all of the vehicles being recalled been sold to customers?	No. A significant number of these vehicles were unsold when Honda determined a recall was necessary. A stop sale order was issued to Honda dealers for these cars, and any unsold vehicles in dealer inventory will be repaired prior to sale.
Is there a potential to include other vehicles in the future?	We are confident that we have identified all of the potentially affected vehicles and do not expect to add any in the future.
Where were these vehicles built?	Affected vehicles were built in Alliston, Ontario, Canada and Greensburg, Indiana.  The affected 2.0 liter engines were assembled at Honda of Canada Manufacturing's Alliston, Ontario, engine plant.
How many countries does this affect?	This recall only affects vehicles sold in the US and Canada.
How many vehicles are affected by this recall?	US: 42,129 Canada: 10,697 Worldwide Total: 52,827