

2004-07 HDM Accord Incorrect Passenger Airbag Assy Noncompliance Recall

What is the reason for this recall?	Original airbag modules designed for installation into vehicles for sale in South America were mistakenly supplied during production of affected U.S. specification Accord vehicles. The incorrect airbag modules do not comply with United States Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards.
What will be done to recalled vehicles?	The dealer will inspect the airbag module. If it is found to be a South American specification module, a new passenger front airbag module will be installed by a Honda dealer, free of charge. If the dealer finds a US specification module, the dealer will replace the airbag inflator as part of the Takata airbag inflator recall. Note: If a vehicle has already been repaired as part of a Takata front passenger airbag inflator recall or campaign, it will not be included in this new recall.
How long will the inspection/repair take?	Customers should ask their dealers for a total time estimate when making an appointment, as each dealer's daily schedule is different. Once the technician has the vehicle, the repair should take less than half an hour.
Is this a Takata airbag module?	The original airbag module was supplied by Takata.
Is this related to the airbag inflator recall?	While this issue was discovered during repairs related to the Takata front passenger inflator recalls and safety improvement campaign, it is a separate, unrelated issue.
Why didn't Honda notice that the wrong airbag module was wrong back in 2003?	From the outside, there is no obvious visual difference from a correct airbag module. However, inside, it contains a South American specification airbag cushion and inflator.
How did Honda discover the issue?	All of the affected Accord vehicles are also included in a Takata front passenger airbag inflator recall or safety improvement campaign, which require replacement of only the airbag inflator within the airbag module. Each Honda dealer is required to verify that the removed airbag inflator is part of the recall before completing repairs, and through that process, Honda dealers discovered this issue. If a vehicle has already been repaired as part of a Takata front passenger airbag inflator recall or campaign, it will not be included in this new recall.
When will customers be notified?	Owners can check their vehicle recall status now at www.recalls.honda.com and immediately schedule an appointment with their local dealer. Letters to owners of affected vehicles will be mailed starting early-May 2016.
What should a customer do if their vehicle is experiencing a problem now?	All of these vehicles are eligible for the recall repair immediately. If a customer's vehicle is included in the recall, they should contact a Honda dealer as soon as possible to schedule repair. If the vehicle is not included in the recall or is experiencing another issue, a Honda dealer can assist with diagnosis and repair.
Are all 2004-2007 Accord vehicles part of this recall?	No. Only 11,602 specific vehicles are affected by this recall. If a vehicle has already been repaired as part of a Takata front passenger airbag inflator recall or campaign, it will not be included in this new recall.
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 El Salto, Jalisco, Mexico.
How many vehicles are affected by this recall?	US: 11,602 Worldwide Total: 11,602