

SAFETY RECALL



CAMPAIGN BULLETIN

Takata Passenger Airbag Inflator Voluntary Safety Recall Campaign

Reference: R1618, R1619

Date: December 9, 2016

Attention: Retailer Principal, Sales, Parts and Service Managers

UPDATE December 9, 2016

The announcement from October 6, 2016 has been revised to include the following:

- Updated Affected Model/Years
 - MY2006-2008 FX35/FX45 now identified by Campaign ID R1622 – Final Remedy
 - MY2006-2010 M35/M45 now identified by campaign ID R1622 – Final Remedy
- Do not perform interim repairs on above models removed from this campaign
- Updated parts final remedy timing for remaining models eligible for interim repair

Please discard earlier versions of this bulletin.

Affected Models/Years:	Affected Population:	Retailer Inventory:	SERVICE COMM Activation date:	Stop Sale In Effect
MY2003-2005 FX35/FX45	44,324	NA	July 7, 2016	YES
MY2003-2004 I35	9,797			

***** Recall Expansion Action Plan *****

On July 7, 2016, Infiniti announced it was recalling the affected vehicles referenced above due to a Takata passenger airbag inflator issue. Final remedy parts are expected to be available in **the first quarter of 2017**. In the meantime, affected clients were sent interim recall notification letters advising them of the recall in July. Affected clients were advised not to allow passengers to ride in the front passenger seat until the final remedy was performed.

In order to better serve clients who do not want to or are unable to wait for the final remedy, Infiniti will enable clients to use their front passenger seat safely until the final remedy parts are available by providing an interim repair. Clients will need to schedule an appointment to receive the final repair once they receive notification that final remedy parts are available.

***** What Retailers Should Do *****

1. Verify if vehicles are affected by this Voluntary Safety Recall Campaign using Service Comm I.D. **R1618 or R1619**
2. Retailers should not sell, lease, trade, rent or loan any vehicles in retailer inventory affected by this recall campaign until after the vehicle has been repaired.
3. If a retailed vehicle affected by this campaign ID visits the retailer for service, the retailer should inform the client about the recall campaign and communicate that final remedy parts are not yet available.

- If a client is concerned about being unable to use their front passenger seat as recommended in the owner notification, retailers may offer an interim repair. The interim repair, once completed, will enable clients to use their front passenger seats safely until the final remedy parts are available.
4. If interim repair parts are not immediately available, retailers can use the attached vehicle storage form to allow a client to store their vehicle at their home or location of their choice until final remedy parts are available.
- The campaign vehicle storage form is included after the FAQ section of this announcement.

******* Release Schedule *******

Parts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final remedy parts are expected to begin arriving in the first quarter of 2017.
Repair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No action is required at this time. • If a client elects to have an interim repair performed, please use the following parts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2003-05 FX35/45: K8561-7994D ○ 2003-04 I35: K8E61-7994D • Retailers may refer to ITB14-034h for interim repair instructions, but use the parts and claims information provided with this announcement. <p>Pursuant to APRM policy 2.35.5 & 2.35.6, Infiniti retailers must properly retain all warranty, campaign, goodwill, and service contract replaced parts for a required timeframe. After the required time frame has expired, all parts need to be disposed of. Some instrument panels approved for replacement may be collected for engineering investigation purposes.</p> <p>NOTE: Parts requested are VIN and repair order specific. It is important for retailers to return parts applicable to the VIN and repair order identified.</p>
Owner Notification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infiniti has sent owners of all potentially affected vehicles an interim notification letter in July, 2016. An invitation to repair notice will be sent once new replacement inflators manufactured by another supplier are available.

******* Claims Information *******

Submit a "CM" line claim using the following claims coding:

CM I.D.	DESCRIPTION	OP CODE	FRT
R1618	Remove and Replace Passenger Front Airbag Inflator 2003-2004 I35 (CA33)	R16180	0.8 hrs.
R1618	Remove and Replace Passenger Front Airbag Inflator 2003-2005 (S50)	R16181	1.1 hrs.

Expense:

Sublet Code / Name	Qty (Max)	Required / Optional
502 Rental	\$60.00 @ 30 Days (\$1800 MAX)*	Optional
Contact the Warranty claims call center 1-800-933-3712 Option 7, if additional rental expense is required.		
Shorting Pin	Napa Item #784566 or Grainger Item # 4YT50	Optional (\$0.50 MAX)

*If rental reimbursement is needed prior to vehicle repair, incremental billing is available in 30-day increments:

- o 0-30 days, 31-60 days, and 61-90 days

Please contact the Warranty Claims Call Center to obtain an OP Code to bill for rental still in progress without closing the campaign. **Once the vehicle is repaired, do not resubmit for rental time that has already been reimbursed.**

Part numbers are required on warranty claims submitted

******* Retailer Responsibility *******

It is the retailer's responsibility to check Service Comm using the appropriate Campaign I.D. for the campaign status on each vehicle falling within the range of this voluntary safety recall campaign which for any reason enters the service department. This includes vehicles purchased from private parties or presented by transient (tourist) owners and vehicles in retailer inventory. If a VIN subject to this recall campaign was part of a retailer trade, the letter associated with that VIN should be forwarded to the appropriate retailer for service completion.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ):

Q: Is this a safety recall campaign?

A: Yes.

Q: Is this related to the Occupant Classification System Recall?

A: No.

Q: How do I know if my vehicle has a problem with the front passenger airbag inflator?

A: If your vehicle is subject to this campaign you will receive an Owner Notification letter from Infiniti. If you'd like, I can check your vehicle identification number (VIN) right now to see if your vehicle is affected by a different recall.

Q. What is the problem?

A. Due to Takata (the airbag supplier) inflator quality issues, it is possible that the front passenger airbag inflator housing in the subject vehicles could rupture and deploy abnormally in the event of a crash. An inflator rupture could result in metal fragments striking and potentially seriously injuring vehicle occupants.

Q. Have all affected owners already been notified?

A. Clients affected by this expansion were sent interim notification letters in **July, 2016**. An invitation to repair notice will be sent once final remedy parts are available. We urge you to have this important campaign performed once you receive an invitation to repair letter.

Q. I have not received a letter but want to make sure my vehicle is not affected.

A. Please give me your vehicle identification number (VIN) so that I can check if your vehicle is included in this recall.

Q. Is it safe to drive my vehicle?

A. Infiniti strongly recommends that if your vehicle is confirmed to be affected, you have this safety recall repair performed as soon as parts become available. Please contact your retailer once you receive an invitation to repair letter to schedule an appointment. **In the meantime, do not allow passengers to ride in the front passenger seat until the repair is performed.** If you remain concerned about the airbag inflator in your vehicle, retailers are authorized to perform an interim repair that will enable clients to use their front passenger seat safely until the final remedy parts are available in the fall of 2016.

Q. Is there anything owners can do to avoid the risk/danger?

A. If you received a safety recall notice about the passenger front airbag, **do not allow passengers to ride in the passenger seat until the repair is performed.** If you remain concerned about the airbag inflator in your vehicle, retailers are authorized to perform an interim repair that will enable clients to use their front passenger seat safely until the final remedy parts are available in the first quarter of 2017.

Q. Does my vehicle have Takata Airbag inflators?

A. Many vehicles are equipped with Takata Airbag inflators. However, only certain specific ones are affected by these recalls. **Let me check your VIN to confirm whether your vehicle is affected – if affected, it needs to be remedied as soon as parts become available.** If your vehicle is not affected, no further action is needed.

Q. Will alternate transportation be provided while the retailer is servicing the vehicle?

A. Infiniti has authorized alternate transportation for clients electing to have the interim repair performed when the retailer must order parts. Please check with your retailer for alternate transportation availability while your vehicle is being repaired.

Q. Are parts available for the recall repair?

A. Final remedy parts are not expected to become available until the first quarter of 2017. Retailers can provide an interim repair upon client request to allow owners to safely use the front passenger seat until the final remedy parts are available.

Q. Will I have to take my vehicle back to the selling retailer to have the service performed?

A. No, any authorized Infiniti retailer can repair Infiniti vehicles.

Q. How long will the corrective action take?

A. This free service should take about 2 hours to complete, but your Infiniti retailer may require your vehicle for a longer period of time based upon their work schedule.

Q. I have other concerns, who do I talk to?

A. Please contact Consumer Affairs at the numbers below.

Region	Division	Number
United States	Infiniti North America	1-800-662-6200

Q. The media has contacted me with questions about Infiniti's recall campaigns. What should I do?

A. Please direct all media inquiries to Infiniti Corporate Communications.

Media Contacts:

Office: 615-725-1000



Retailer Campaign Vehicle Storage Agreement

_____ are the owner/lessee of a _____
Client Name *Model Year*

Infiniti _____ VIN: _____
Model *Current Odometer*

You have been informed that your vehicle (referenced above) is subject to the Takata Front Passenger Airbag Recall issued by Infiniti Motor Company Ltd. The replacement parts to address this safety recall are not available at this time.

The authorized Infiniti retailer is providing you with a loaner/courtesy vehicle to drive until Infiniti Motor Company Ltd. notifies you that parts are available to remedy your vehicle, or until such time as your retailer requests that you return the loaner/courtesy vehicle, whichever is earlier.

The Infiniti retailer will allow you to take your vehicle (referenced above) home and store it while you are driving the loaner/courtesy vehicle.

You therefore agree to the following:

- You will drive the vehicle directly home without any other passenger in the vehicle and will not drive the vehicle again, other than to return it without any other passenger in the vehicle to the Infiniti retailer when parts are available to perform the recall remedy.
- You will store your vehicle at home, or another safe location of your choice, at your own risk and expense (if applicable)
- You will ensure that the vehicle's keys are secured and inaccessible to others.
- You will maintain your vehicle and will not alter, modify, or sell the vehicle (except in the case of a leased vehicle, which you may return upon the expiration of your lease, if that time pre-dates the availability of parts to remedy your vehicle).
- You understand that you will be responsible for any and all damages caused to the vehicle if it is driven prior to the performance of the recall remedy, other than directly from or to the Infiniti retailer.

By signing below, you expressly agree to all of the terms and conditions set forth herein.

_____ *Date* _____ *Phone number (Text Yes or No)* _____ *email*

_____ *Signature* _____ *Name (Printed)*

_____ *Street Address* _____ *City* _____ *State* _____ *Zip*

_____ *Status (i.e. owner, lessor, lessee, etc.)*