

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

Passenger Air Bag Inflator Replacement – Safety Recall 9416E

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Campaign No. 16V-354

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20xx Mazda Modelname VIN		

Dear John Smith:

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

Mazda Motor Corporation has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in 2003-2008 Mazda6, 2006-2007 Mazdaspeed6, 2004-2006 MPV, and 2004-2011 RX-8 vehicles. If you are a recipient of this notice, your vehicle is included in this Safety Recall. You may have received a previous notice for an interim repair. This recall is for the final repair, and replaces the previous recall.

What is the problem?

In the subject vehicles, continued exposure to high levels of absolute humidity may cause the passenger frontal air bag inflator housing to rupture and deploy abnormally in the event of a crash necessitating deployment of the passenger frontal air bag. An inflator rupture could result in metal fragments striking the driver or other vehicle occupants, resulting in serious injury or death. It is extremely important to schedule this repair as soon as possible, to ensure your safety and the safety of your passengers.

What will Mazda do?

Your Mazda dealer will replace the passenger frontal air bag inflator with a new one, **free of charge**. The repair should take less than one hour to complete; however, it may take longer.

TO SCHEDULE THIS IMPORTANT RECALL REPAIR:

- Make a dealer appointment online at <u>www.MazdaRecallInfo.com</u>
- Or contact your Mazda dealer by phone

To locate your closest Mazda dealer, go to www.MazdaRecallInfo.com or call (800) 222-5500, option #4.

Mazda will provide alternate transportation when your vehicle is at an authorized Mazda dealership for a recall repair. To be eligible for alternate transportation, you must schedule an appointment with any authorized Mazda dealer so that they can discuss and accommodate your needs.

What should you do?

Please make an appointment with any authorized Mazda dealer to have the airbag inflator replaced as soon as possible. You can make a dealer appointment online at www.MazdaRecallInfo.com. Until this repair is performed, do not allow passengers to ride in the front passenger seat. Making an appointment provides the dealer the opportunity to reserve the necessary part for your repair and plan their service activity, thus minimizing your wait time and inconvenience this recall may cause you. You do not need to bring this notice to the dealer, but it may assist in the check-in process.

If you have not done so already, please provide your contact information, such as a mobile phone number or email address, to our customer Experience Center (800) 222-5500, option #4, or your dealer so we have additional contact information and can reach you. This information will not be used for marketing purposes and we will not share this information with anyone else.

Where is the closest Mazda dealer?

To locate your nearest Mazda dealer, visit our website <u>www.MazdaRecallInfo.com</u>, consult your local yellow pages, or call our customer Experience Center (800) 222-5500, option #4.

Moved or no longer own this vehicle?

If you have moved or no longer own your Mazda vehicle, please complete the enclosed prepaid *Information Change Card* as soon as possible. This enables us to update our records and notify the current owner.

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

Still have questions?

If you have any questions regarding this vehicle recall, visit our website www.MazdaRecallInfo.com. If you still have questions, contact our **Customer Experience** Center at (800) 222-5500, option #6.

If Mazda or its dealers do not repair the defect free of charge and within a reasonable amount of time, you may notify the Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., 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.

Your safety is our first priority at Mazda. We apologize for any inconvenience this recall may have caused you.

As a reminder, you can always go to www.MazdaRecallInfo.com and enter your VIN to view recalls and service campaigns that apply to your vehicle.

Sincerely,

Mazda North American Operations