



YAMAHA MOTOR CORPORATION, U.S.A. 6555 Katella Avenue, Cypress, CA 90630-5101 800-962-7926

## IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

This notice applies to your vehicle, VIN xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

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Dear Yamaha Owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Yamaha Motor Corporation, U.S.A. has decided that defects which relate to motor vehicle safety exist in certain 2015 and 2016 YZF-R3 motorcycles. Our records indicate that you own the affected motorcycle shown above.

**The reason for this recall:** In affected motorcycles, when the clutch is operated frequently, the clutch pressure plate bearing may break due to insufficient load rating of the bearing. This could cause the clutch to fail to operate so the transmission will not shift properly. In addition, in affected motorcycles, oil pressure may not be properly regulated due to an improper oil relief valve design in the oil pump, which can excessively stress the oil pump drive gear. In the worst case, the gear may break which could result in engine seizure from lack of oil supply. Either of these conditions could cause loss of control that could result in a crash with injury or death.

**What Yamaha and your dealer will do:** To correct these defects, your authorized Yamaha dealer will replace the clutch pressure plate assembly and oil pump assembly with parts of a different design. These procedures take about 2 hours to do but be aware that your Yamaha dealer may need to keep your motorcycle longer depending upon their current service schedule. **There will be no charge to you for this procedure.**

**What you should do now:** Please call your Yamaha dealer to make a service appointment to have these procedures performed. At that same time, you can find out how long they expect to keep your motorcycle for this service. Remember to take this letter with you when you take in your motorcycle.

**You should not ride your affected motorcycle shown above until these modifications are performed.**

If you are unable to return to the Yamaha dealer who sold you the motorcycle, this service will be performed by any authorized Yamaha motorcycle dealer. For the name of a dealer near you, call 1-800-88-YAMAHA or visit the Yamaha web site at [www.yamaha-motor.com](http://www.yamaha-motor.com).

If you have had this repair performed before you received this letter, you may be entitled to receive reimbursement for the cost of obtaining a pre-notification remedy of the problem associated with this repair. For more information, contact Yamaha Customer Relations at 1-800-962-7926.

Federal regulations require that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within 10 days.

**If you need help:** If, after contacting your dealership, you have questions or concerns which the dealership is unable to answer, please write to:

Yamaha Motor Corporation, U.S.A.  
Customer Relations Department  
P.O. Box 6555  
Cypress, CA 90630

Or call: 1-800-962-7926

If, after contacting Yamaha Customer Relations, you are still not satisfied that we have done our best to remedy the situation without charge and within a reasonable time, you may submit a written complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590; or call the Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>. Refer to campaigns 16V459 (Oil Pump) and 16V460 (Clutch Pressure Plate Bearing).

**If you no longer own this Yamaha:** If you have sold your motorcycle to another party, please call us toll-free at 1-800-962-7926 with the name and address of the new owner, along with the serial number shown to the right of your name on the address label above.

We're sorry to cause you any inconvenience, but we are sincerely concerned about your safety and continued satisfaction with our products. Thank you for giving your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,  
Customer Support Group  
Yamaha Motor Corporation, U.S.A.