

DEFECT INFORMATION REPORT

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Identification of potentially affected vehicles:

<u>Make/Model</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>VIN Range/Dates of Manufacture</u>
Honda Fury (VT1300CX)	Certain 2010 model year	TBD
Honda Fury (VT1300CX)	Certain 2016 model year	TBD
Honda Fury (VT1300CX)	Certain 2017 model year	TBD

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Identification of affected component:

Component: Fuel Tank
Part No.: 17520-MFR-740ZD; 17520-MFR-740ZA

Description of the basis for the determination of the recall population:

The recall population was determined based on manufacturing records (original equipment for 2017 model year) and service part sales records (replacement part for 2010 and 2016 model years). The VIN range reflects all possible motorcycles that could potentially experience the problem.

Description of how the vehicles being recalled differ from similar vehicles not included in the recall:

Only motorcycles potentially equipped with suspect fuel tanks (either as original equipment or replacement service part) are affected.

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Total number of potentially affected vehicles: 20

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Percentage of affected vehicles that contain the defect: 15%

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Defect description:

Due to an improper manufacturing process, certain fuel tanks may not have received the necessary welds around the stay bracket. Without these welds, road and engine vibrations may cause the tack weld on the stay bracket to separate, allowing for fuel leakage. Fuel leakage in the presence of an ignition source may increase the risk of a fire.

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Chronology:

September 22, 2017

First market occurrence of a fuel leak.

October 24, 2017

Second market occurrence of a fuel leak.

November - December 2017

Honda launched a root cause investigation of the fuel leaks. Production records showed that during a single day of fuel tank production, a disruption in the manufacturing process allowed some fuel tanks to bypass the final welding stage for the stay bracket. Without final welding, the tack welds used in setting the stay bracket can separate when subjected to road and engine vibrations.

December 12, 2017

Honda made the determination that a defect related to motor vehicle safety exists and decided to conduct a safety recall.

As of December 12, 2017, Honda has received two warranty claims, and no field reports or reports of injuries or fires related to this issue.

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Program for remedying the defect:

Registered owners of all affected motorcycles will be contacted by phone and mail and asked to take their motorcycle to an authorized Honda motorcycle dealer. The dealer will inspect the fuel tank welds, and if not properly welded, replace the fuel tank for free.

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The estimated date to start notification to dealers: 12/14/2017

The estimated date to start notifications to owners: 12/14/2017

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Representative copies of all notices, bulletins and other communications:

A copy of the dealer service bulletin, the final customer notification letter and other dealer communication will be submitted to your office as soon as possible.

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Proposed owner notification letter submission:

A draft of the owner notification letter will be submitted to your office as soon as possible.

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Manufacturer's campaign number: TBD