

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 20V-152

**Manufacturer Name :** BMW of North America, LLC**Submission Date :** MAR 18, 2020**NHTSA Recall No. :** 20V-152**Manufacturer Recall No. :** NR**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : BMW of North America, LLC

Address : P.O. Box 1227

Westwood NJ 07675-1227

Company phone : 18005257417

**Population :**

Number of potentially involved : 15

Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

**Vehicle Information :**

Vehicle 1 : 2019-2020 BMW X4 xDrive30i, X4 M40i

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : SUV

Power Train : GAS

**Descriptive Information :** Approximately 2 vehicles may contain an instrument panel in which the connection between the panel casing and the passenger air bag may not have been performed according to specifications.

**Basis for recall population determination:** Supplier production records were used to determine the specific dates in which the connection between the panel casing and the passenger air bag may not have been performed to specifications. Vehicle assembly information was used to determine the specific dates of vehicles in which suspect instrument panels may have been installed.

**Recall component difference to non-recall component:** The connection between the instrument panel casing and the passenger air bag may not have been performed to specifications.

Production Dates : JAN 22, 2019 - AUG 17, 2019

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

 Not sequential

Vehicle 2 : 2018-2020 BMW X3 sDrive30i, X3 xDrive30i, X3 M40i, X3M

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : SUV

Power Train : GAS

**Descriptive Information :** Approximately 13 vehicles may contain an instrument panel in which the connection between the panel casing and the passenger air bag may not have been performed according to specifications.

**Basis for recall population determination:** Supplier production records were used to

determine the specific dates in which the connection between the panel casing and the passenger air bag may not have been performed to specifications. Vehicle assembly information was used to determine the specific dates of vehicles in which suspect instrument panels may have been installed.

Recall component difference to non-recall component: The connection between the instrument panel casing and the passenger air bag may not have been performed to specifications.

Production Dates : DEC 14, 2017 - NOV 01, 2019

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

Not sequential

## Description of Defect :

Description of the Defect : This safety recall involves the connection between the instrument panel casing and the passenger air bag. During supplier production, two of the necessary six fasteners may not have achieved the required torque.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : In a crash of sufficient severity, deployment of the passenger air bag could damage the instrument panel which could cause small pieces of the panel to separate, increasing the risk of injury.

Description of the Cause : NR

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : NR

## Supplier Identification :

### Component Manufacturer

Name : DAA Draexlmaier Automotive of America LL

Address : 1751 East Main Street  
Duncan SOUTH CAROLINA 29334

Country : United States

## Chronology :

On January 22, 2020, the supplier informed BMW that certain instrument panels were produced in which the connection between the panel casing and the passenger air bag may not have been performed according to specifications. The supplier indicated that these instrument panels may also have been made available for vehicle assembly.

Between February and March, further reviews of supplier production records, and an engineering review, was conducted. The supplier was able to identify 46 instrument panels in which two of the six fasteners which secure the panel casing to the air bag may not have achieved the required torque. It was not clear whether these panels were also made available and used during vehicle assembly. The engineering review suggested that deployment of the passenger air bag could damage the instrument panel which could cause small pieces of the panel to separate.

Vehicle assembly and supplier production records were reviewed to determine the number, and production dates, of potentially affected vehicles.

On March 11, 2020, BMW decided to conduct a voluntary safety recall.

BMW has not received any reports, nor is BMW otherwise aware, of any accidents or injuries related to this issue.

### Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : The instrument panel casing will be replaced.

If this condition were to occur to a potentially affected vehicle prior to the recall, the remedy would be covered by the BMW New Vehicle Limited Warranty program. Therefore, reimbursement for a pre-notification remedy re Part 573.13 and Part 577.11 is not necessary.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : Recalled Component: Instrument Panel Casing; p/n - 9363390

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : NR

### Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Notification to dealers is expected to begin and end on March 18, 2020. Notification to owners is expected to begin and end on May 11, 2020.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : MAR 18, 2020 - MAR 18, 2020

Planned Owner Notification Date : MAY 11, 2020 - MAY 11, 2020

\* NR - Not Reported