## **SAFETY RECALL**



### **CAMPAIGN BULLETIN**

# Rear Seat Belts Voluntary Safety Recall Campaign

Reference: R20A5 Date: June 10, 2020

Attention: Retailer Principal, Sales, Parts and Service Managers

# UPDATE June 10, 2020 Please discard earlier versions of this bulletin

The announcement from March 25, 2020 has been revised to include:

- The following parts are no longer on restriction and may be ordered via normal process.
  - o H8844-5CAOA Rear Seat Belt (RH)
  - o H8845-5CAOA Rear Seat Belt (LH)
- Parts currently on order in DBS will be fulfilled.

**IMPORTANT:** It is a violation of Federal law for retailers to sell or deliver vehicles in their inventory covered by this notification until the campaign action is performed.

Affected Models/Years:	Affected Population:	Retailer Inventory:	SERVICE COMM  Activation date:	Stop Sale In Effect
MY2020 Q60	290	139	March 25, 2020	YES

#### \*\*\*\*\* Campaign Summary \*\*\*\*\*

As previously announced on March 18, 2020, INFINITI has notified the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) that it will conduct a Voluntary Recall Campaign on certain MY2020 INFINITI Q60 vehicles to inspect the manufacturing date on the rear seat belt tags and replace the right hand, left hand, or both seat belt retractor assemblies if they were manufactured within the affected production period.

Due to a manufacturing process issue that has since been corrected, the left-hand and right-hand rear seat belt assemblies on some of the affected vehicles may have been manufactured out of specification. In certain cases of severe, multi-impact crashes, an affected rear seat belt assembly may not properly restrain the passenger, increasing the risk of injury.

#### \*\*\*\*\* What Retailers Should Do \*\*\*\*\*

- Verify if vehicles are affected by this Voluntary Safety Recall Campaign using Service Comm or DBS National Service History - Open Campaign I.D. <u>R20A5</u>
  - New vehicles in retailer inventory can also be identified using DBS (Sales -> Vehicle Inventory, and filter by Open Campaign)
    - Refer to IPSB 15-286 for additional information

- 2. Retailers <u>must not</u> sell, lease, trade, rent or loan any vehicles in retailer inventory affected by this recall campaign until after the vehicle has been repaired.
  - Retailers should not use INFINITI Courtesy Vehicles subject to this recall until they have been inspected, and if necessary, repaired.
- 3. Retailers should use ITB20-012 to inspect and, if necessary, remedy affected vehicles in retailer inventory. Once repaired, retailers should submit the claim, using the claims coding provided for the applicable action taken, and release the vehicle.

#### \*\*\*\*\* Release Schedule \*\*\*\*\*

Parts	<ul> <li>The following parts are no longer on restriction and may be ordered via normal process:         <ul> <li>H8844-5CAOA – Rear Seat Belt (RH)</li> <li>H8845-5CAOA – Rear Seat Belt (LH)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Parts currently on order in DBS will be fulfilled.</li> </ul>	
Repair	• ITB20-012	
Owner Notification		

#### \*\*\*\*\* Retailer Responsibility \*\*\*\*\*

It is the retailer's responsibility to check Service Comm or DBS National Service History – Open Campaign 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 stop sale?
- A. Yes.
- Q: Is this a safety recall?
- A. Yes.
- Q. What is the reason for this Voluntary Safety Recall Campaign?
- A. Due to a manufacturing process issue that has since been corrected, the left-hand and right-hand rear seat belt assemblies on some of the affected vehicles may have been manufactured out of specification.

#### Q. What is the possible effect of this condition?

A. In certain cases of severe, multi-impact crashes, an affected rear seat belt assembly may not properly restrain the passenger, increasing the risk of injury.

#### Q. What will be the corrective action?

A. Retailers will inspect the manufacturing date on the rear seat belt tags and replace the right hand, left hand, or both seat belt retractor assemblies if they were manufactured within the affected production period.

#### Q. How long will the corrective action take?

A. This service, which is conducted at no charge to you for parts and labor, could take up to approximately one (1) hour to complete, if replacement is necessary. However, your INFINITI retailer may require your vehicle for a longer period of time based upon their work schedule.

#### Q. When will vehicle owners be notified?

A. INFINITI began notifying owners of all potentially affected vehicles in **May 2020** via U.S. Mail.

#### Q. Are parts readily available?

A. Yes.

#### Q. I did not receive a letter, how can I tell if my vehicle is affected?

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

#### Q. Is my vehicle safe to drive?

A. Affected owners are encouraged to have their vehicles inspected, and if necessary, repaired as soon as possible upon notification.

#### Q. Is there anything owners can do to mitigate this condition?

A. Yes. Until the remedy is performed, do not allow passengers to ride in the rear seats.

#### Q. Is there any charge for the repair?

A. No, the inspection and remedy, if necessary, will be performed for the client free of charge for parts and labor.

- Q. Will a rental vehicle be provided while the retailer is servicing the vehicle?
- A. Rental is available while replacement parts are or order.

EXPENSE CODE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT		
502	Rental Expense	\$180 (Max)		
Contact the Warranty Claims Call Center @ 800-933-3712 if additional expense is required				

- Q. I have lost confidence in the vehicle. Will INFINITI replace or repurchase the vehicle?
- A. The remedy will fully correct this condition. As the condition will be corrected, there is no basis for repurchasing or replacing your vehicle.
- Q. Will I have to take my vehicle back to the selling retailer to have the service performed?
- A. No, any authorized INFINITI retailer is able to perform the voluntary safety recall campaign.

For Consumer Affairs: Please inform us of the retailer where you would like to have the corrective action completed.

- Q. What model year vehicles are involved?
- A. Specific model year 2020 INFINITI Q60 vehicles manufactured between August 26, 2019 and September 24, 2019 are affected.
- Q. Are you experiencing this condition on any other INFINITI (or Nissan) models?
- A. No.

#### Revision History:

Date	Announcement	Purpose	
March 18, 2020	Preliminary	Preliminary Campaign notice	
March 25, 2020	Orignal Announcement	Original Voluntary Safety Recall Camapign Announcement	
June 10, 2020 Revision 1		Parts are no longer restricted	