

U.S. Department of Transportation

# National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

July 26, 2021

NEF-107SS 21V-555

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

Mr. Will Swindell Senior Engineer Nissan North America, Inc. P.O. Box 685001 Franklin, TN 37068

Subject: Seat Belt Locking Retractor Malfunction/FMVSS 208

Dear Mr. Swindell:

This letter serves to acknowledge Nissan North America, Inc.'s notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

#### Makes/Models/Model Years:

NISSAN/ROGUE SPORT/2021

Mfr's Report Date: July 21, 2021

NHTSA Campaign Number: 21V-555

## **Components:**

SEAT BELTS:FRONT:RETRACTOR SEAT BELTS:REAR/OTHER:RETRACTOR

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 4,083

### **Problem Description:**

Nissan North America, Inc. (Nissan) is recalling certain 2021 Rogue Sport vehicles. The seat belt automatic locking retractor (ALR) may deactivate early, reducing the protection offered to an installed child seat. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 208, "Occupant Crash Protection."

### **Consequence:**

A seat belt retractor that does not function as intended can increase the risk of injury during a crash.

## Remedy:

Dealers will replace the front passenger seat belt and as necessary both outer rear seat belts, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed September 14, 2021. Owners may contact Nissan customer service at 1-800-867-7669. Nissan's number for this recall is RT049 & RT050.

#### Notes

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.nhtsa.gov.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:



You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Nissan North America, Inc.'s contact for this recall will be Sarah Shiver who may be reached by email at sarah.shiver@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Alex Ansley

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

Enforcement

