

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 21V-703

**Manufacturer Name :** Maserati North America, Inc.**Submission Date :** SEP 16, 2021**NHTSA Recall No. :** 21V-703**Manufacturer Recall No. :** 434**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Maserati North America, Inc.

Address : One Chrysler Drive

Auburn Hills MI 48326

Company phone : 877-969-2737

**Population :**

Number of potentially involved : 701

Estimated percentage with defect : 1 %

**Vehicle Information :**

Vehicle 1 : 2021-2021 Maserati Quattroporte

Vehicle Type :

Body Style : 4-DOOR

Power Train : NR

**Descriptive Information :** Some 2021 MY Quattroporte vehicles may contain seatbelt retractors with suspect Automatic Locking Retractor ("ALR") levers that affect the ALR function of the seatbelt retractor.

The suspect period was determined, using part traceability and vehicle production records, to be some 2021 MY Maserati Quattroporte vehicles built from the beginning of MY 2021 production through July 22, 2021, when suspect retractors were no longer used in vehicle production. Similar vehicles that are not included in the recall were built with seatbelt retractors that did not contain a suspect ALR lever.

The total affected vehicles for this model is 89.

Production Dates : DEC 31, 2020 - JUL 22, 2021

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

 Not sequential

Vehicle 2 : 2021-2021 Maserati Ghibli

Vehicle Type :

Body Style : 4-DOOR

Power Train : NR

**Descriptive Information :** Some 2021 MY Ghibli vehicles may contain seatbelt retractors with suspect Automatic Locking Retractor (“ALR”) levers that affect the ALR function of the seatbelt retractor.

The suspect period was determined, using part traceability and vehicle production records, to be some 2021 MY Maserati Quattroporte vehicles built from the beginning of MY 2021 production through July 22, 2021, when suspect retractors were no longer used in vehicle production. Similar vehicles that are not included in the recall were built with seatbelt retractors that did not contain a suspect ALR lever. The total affected vehicles for this model is 109.

Production Dates : DEC 31, 2020 - JUL 22, 2021

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

Not sequential

Vehicle 3 : 2021-2021 Maserati Levante

Vehicle Type :

Body Style : SUV

Power Train : NR

**Descriptive Information :** Some 2021 MY Levante vehicles may contain seatbelt retractors with suspect Automatic Locking Retractor (“ALR”) levers that affect the ALR function of the seatbelt retractor.

The suspect period was determined, using part traceability and vehicle production records, to be some 2021 MY Maserati Quattroporte vehicles built from the beginning of MY 2021 production through July 26, 2021, when suspect retractors were no longer used in vehicle production. Similar vehicles that are not included in the recall were built with seatbelt retractors that did not contain a suspect ALR lever. The total affected vehicles for this model is 503.

Production Dates : DEC 31, 2020 - JUL 26, 2021

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

Not sequential

## Description of Noncompliance :

Description of the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (“FMVSS”) 49 CFR 571.208 S7.1.1.5

Noncompliance : “Occupant crash protection” requires “Each designated seating position [ ... ] shall have a seat belt assembly whose lap belt portion is lockable so that the seat belt assembly can be used to tightly secure a child restraint system.”

Vehicles built with suspect seatbelt retractors may not meet this requirement.

FMVSS 1 : 208 - Occupant crash protection

FMVSS 2 : NR

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**Description of the Cause :** NR

**Identification of Any Warning that can Occur :** This noncompliance does not impact the compliance or functionality of the seat belt assemblies with respect to their normal use by adult passengers or use of the LATCH system to secure child restraint seats. With child restraint seats for which the vehicle owner elects to use the seat belt to secure the child restraint seat instead of the LATCH system, if the seat belt is not lockable so that the seat belt assembly can be used to tightly secure the child restraint seat, there is an increased risk of injury in a crash to the occupant of the child restraint seat.

## Involved Components :

**Component Name 1 :** ALR (KiSi) Lever

**Component Description :** Rear Right Retractor for Ghibli

**Component Part Number :** 06700174370E and 06700174390E

**Component Name 2 :** ALR (KiSi) Lever

**Component Description :** Rear Left Retractor for Ghibli

**Component Part Number :** 06700174370E and 06700174390E

**Component Name 3 :** ALR (KiSi) Lever

**Component Description :** Rear Center Retractor for Ghibli

**Component Part Number :** 06700174400E

**Component Name 4 :** ALR (KiSi) Lever

**Component Description :** Rear Right Retractor for Ghibli

**Component Part Number :** 06700630630E

Component Name 5 : ALR (KiSi) Lever

Component Description : Rear Left Retractor for Ghibli

Component Part Number : 06700630630E

Component Name 6 : ALR (KiSi) Lever

Component Description : Rear Center Retractor for Ghibli

Component Part Number : 6700630660

Component Name 7 : ALR (KiSi) Lever

Component Description : Rear Center Retractor for Quattroporte

Component Part Number : 06700125100E

## Supplier Identification :

### Component Manufacturer

Name : Autoliv ASP, Inc.

Address : 1320 Pacific Drive  
Auburn Hills Michigan 48326

Country : United States

## Chronology :

On August 13, 2021, three seatbelt retractors with out of specification ALR levers were tested in vehicle. It was confirmed that one of the ALRs deactivated earlier than intended and may not meet the FMVSS 208 S7.1.1.5 requirement.

On September 2, 2021, the Vehicle Regulations Committee decided to proceed with a recall action for the affected vehicles for safety noncompliance with FMVSS 208.

## Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Maserati North America will conduct a voluntary safety recall of all affected vehicles to inspect seatbelt retractors and replace as needed. Maserati North America has a longstanding policy and practice of reimbursing owners who have incurred the cost of repairing a problem that subsequently becomes the subject of a field action. To ensure consistency, Maserati North America, as part of the owner letter, will request that customers send the original receipt and/or other adequate proof of payment to the company for confirmation of the expense.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : Remedy components are built with properly formed ALR lever.

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

## Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : \*9/10/2021: Maserati North America, Inc., will notify dealers and begin notifying owners on or about 10/22/2021.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : OCT 22, 2021 - OCT 22, 2021

Planned Owner Notification Date : OCT 22, 2021 - OCT 22, 2021

\* NR - Not Reported