

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 21V-831

**Manufacturer Name :** BMW of North America, LLC**Submission Date :** MAR 10, 2022**NHTSA Recall No. :** 21V-831**Manufacturer Recall No. :** NR**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : BMW of North America, LLC

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**Population :**

Number of potentially involved : 2,577

Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

**Vehicle Information :**

Vehicle 1 : 2022-2022 BMW X4 xDrive30i, X4 M40i, X4M

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : SUV

Power Train : GAS

**Descriptive Information :** Approximately 2,577 vehicles may not fully conform to FMVSS 108 (Lamps, reflective devices and associated equipment) Section 7.7.13.3.

**Basis for recall population determination:** Vehicle assembly information and supplier production records were used to determine the production dates potentially affected vehicles.

**Recall component difference to non-recall component:** The rear license plate bracket may not allow illumination of the rear license plate to fully conform to FMVSS 108 Section 7.7.13.3.

Production Dates : JUL 15, 2021 - OCT 15, 2021

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

 Not sequential**Description of Noncompliance :**

**Description of the Noncompliance :** This non-compliance recall involves illumination of the rear license plate. On potentially affected vehicles, illumination of the rear license plate may not fully conform to FMVSS 108 Section 7.7.13.3.

FMVSS 1 : 108 - Lamps, reflective devices, and assoc. Equipment

FMVSS 2 : NR

**Description of the Safety Risk :** This section of the regulation is strictly for law enforcement to be able to read the license plate. Therefore, in very rare cases where law enforcement may not be able to read the license plate clearly, there is a possibility that this could lead to a distraction and increase the risk of a crash.

Description of the Cause : NR  
Identification of Any Warning NR  
that can Occur :

## Involved Components :

Component Name 1 : Rear License Plate Bracket  
Component Description : Rear License Plate Bracket  
Component Part Number : 9448724 / 9853320

## Supplier Identification :

### Component Manufacturer

Name : BMW AG  
Address : NR  
NR  
Country : NR

## Chronology :

On October 8, 2021, BMW became aware of a potential issue involving the illumination of the rear license plate on a Model Year 2022 BMW X4. An engineering review was initiated.

Vehicle build configurations, varying trim levels, including packages/options, and model year designs were evaluated, including a recent vehicle midlife-cycle design change. Regulatory requirements were examined which included an assessment and comparison between world-wide and US-specific details. Supplier production, process, and potential supply chain affects were examined.

It was found that, due to a design change to the rear bumper, and in combination with the license plate bracket, vehicles may not fully conform to FMVSS 108 Section 7.7.13.3 regarding illumination of the rear license plate.

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

On October 15, 2021, BMW decided to conduct a voluntary non-compliance 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 rear license plate bracket will be modified.

Owners will be notified by First Class mail and instructed to take their vehicle to an authorized BMW dealer to have the remedy performed for free. If this condition were to occur to a potentially affected vehicle prior to this 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 : Recall component: Rear License Plate Bracket – p/n (9448724 / 9853320)

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : Recall notification to dealers is planned to begin and end on October 22, 2021.  
Recall notification to owners is planned to begin and end on December 14, 2021.

## Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Recall notification to dealers is planned to begin and end on October 22, 2021.  
Recall notification to owners is planned to begin and end on December 14, 2021.

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

Planned Owner Notification Date : DEC 14, 2021 - DEC 14, 2021

\* NR - Not Reported