

# **SAFETY RECALL**

# CAMPAIGN BULLETIN

Stop Lamp Switch Voluntary Safety Recall Campaign

Reference: PM971 Date: June 10, 2022

## Attention: Dealer Principal, Sales, Service & Parts Managers

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

#### REVISED June10, 2022

Please discard earlier versions of this bulletin.

### The announcement from December 16, 2021 has been revised to include the following:

- The parts restriction will be removed and dealers can order parts, as needed, via normal ordering process **beginning July 1, 2022.** 
  - o Parts currently on order in DBS will be fulfilled.
- Nissan will begin sending owner notification letters to all potentially affected vehicles inviting them to have the remedy completed **beginning July 2022** via U.S. Mail.

Affected Models/Years:	Affected Population:	Dealer Inventory:	SERVICE COMM Activation date:	Stop Sale In Effect
2016-2019 Sentra (B17)	807,376	NA	March 9, 2021	YES

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

Nissan is issuing a Voluntary Safety Recall on specific 2016-2019 Sentra (B17) vehicles identified in Service Comm to address a stop lamp switch concern. The stop lamp switch on the subject vehicles may become contaminated with silicon off-gassing from silicon-based grease used in surrounding components (HVAC and brake booster clevis pin) in close proximity. Oxidation may occur at the switch contact surface due to electric arcing, resulting in silicon dioxide build-up. This build-up may lead to open circuit issues and an inoperative stop lamp switch.

If this condition occurs, the customer may notice illumination of the Anti-Lock Braking (ABS) or Vehicle Dynamic Control (VDC) warning lamp(s), the rear stop lamps may not illuminate and/or the engine may not start. Rear stop lamps not illuminating could potentially increase the risk of a crash.

Affected vehicles **are subject** to stop sale.

#### \*\*\*\*\* What Dealers Should Do\*\*\*\*

- Verify if vehicles are affected by this Voluntary Safety Recall Campaign using Service Comm or DBS National Service History Campaign I.D. <u>PM971.</u>
- 2. Dealers **must not sell, lease, trade, rent or loan** any vehicles in dealer inventory affected by this recall campaign until after the vehicle has been repaired.
- 3. If a retailed vehicle affected by this campaign ID visits the dealer for service, the dealer should

inform the customer about the recall campaign and communicate that parts may need to be ordered.

- If the customer is experiencing the following conditions, rental is available under the campaign until parts are available:
  - Illumination of the Anti-Lock Braking System (ABS) or Vehicle Dynamic Control (VDC) warning lamp(s)
  - o Rear stop lamps may not illuminate
  - o Engine may not start/crank
- If the customer's vehicle is not experiencing any of the subject conditions and the customer has been informed of the condition and potential effects, customer may continue to operate their vehicle until the conditions occur or parts are readily available.
- 4. Dealers should use NTB21-026 to correct any vehicles subject to this campaign.
- 5. Once remedied, dealers should submit the claim using the claims coding provided and release the vehicle.

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

Parts	The parts restriction will be removed and dealers can order parts, as needed, via normal ordering process <b>beginning July 1, 2022.</b>				
		Part Number	Description	Quantity	
		25320-AX10A	Switch Assy-Stop Lamp	1	
		24268-6KE0A	Grommet	1	
<b>NOTE:</b> Parts replaced under this campaign activity may be collected. Parts requested are VIN and repair order specific. It is important for dealers to return parts applicable to the VIN and repair order identified.					
Repair	• NTB21-026				
Owner Notification	<ul> <li>Nissan began sending owners of all potentially affected vehicles an interim notification letter in April 2021, via U.S. Mail.</li> <li>Nissan began sending owners of all potentially affected vehicles a second interim notification letter in January 2022, via U.S. Mail.</li> <li>Nissan will begin sending owner notification letters to all potentially affected vehicles inviting them to have the remedy completed beginning July 2022 via U.S. Mail.</li> </ul>				

### \*\*\*\*\* Dealer Responsibility \*\*\*\*\*

It is the dealer's responsibility to check Service Comm or DBS National Service History using the appropriate Campaign I.D. for the campaign status on each vehicle falling within the range of this voluntary 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 dealer inventory. If a VIN subject to this recall campaign was part of a dealer trade, the letter associated with that VIN should be forwarded to the appropriate dealer for service completion.

### **NISSAN NORTH AMERICA, INC.**

Total Customer Satisfaction

## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ):

#### Q. Is this a recall?

A. Yes.

### Q. What is the reason for the recall?

A. The stop lamp switch on the subject vehicles may become contaminated with silicon off-gassing from silicon-based grease used in surrounding components (HVAC and brake booster clevis pin) in close proximity. Oxidation may occur at the switch contact surface due to electric arcing, resulting in silicon dioxide build-up. This build-up may lead to open circuit issues and an inoperative stop lamp switch.

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

A. If this condition occurs, the customer may notice illumination of an Anti-Lock Braking System (ABS) or Vehicle Dynamic Control (VDC) warning lamp(s), the rear stop lamps may not illuminate and/or the engine may not start/crank. Rear stop lamps not illuminating could potentially increase the risk of a crash.

### Q. Is this a Stop Sale?

A. Yes.

# Q. What will be the corrective action for this voluntary recall campaign?

A. Dealers will replace the stop lamp switch, and add a grommet and electrical tape as a protective layer.

## Q. What should I tell inquiring customers?

- A. Ask the customer if any of the following conditions apply to their vehicle:
  - Illuminated Anti-Lock Braking System (ABS) or Vehicle Dynamic Control (VDC) warning lamp(s)
  - Intermittent or current no-start/crank condition
  - Intermittent or current inoperative brake lights

Customers may continue to drive their vehicle if these conditions do not occur. However, if any of the conditions <u>do</u> occur, please contact your local Nissan dealer for immediate service and instructions on how to transport your vehicle to the dealership.

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

A. This free service should take up to one (1) hour to complete but your Nissan dealer may require your vehicle for a longer period of time based upon their work schedule.

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

- A. Nissan began notifying affected owners via U.S. mail in **April 2021**, instructing them to contact their authorized Nissan dealer if they experience illumination of an Anti-Lock Braking System (ABS) or Vehicle Dynamic Control (VDC) warning lamp(s), the rear stop lamps do not illuminate and/or the engine may not start/crank.
  - Nissan began sending owners of all potentially affected vehicles a second interim notification letter in **January 2022**, via U.S. Mail.

Nissan will begin sending owner notification letters to all potentially affected vehicles inviting them to have the remedy completed **beginning July 2022** via U.S. Mail.

## Q. Is my vehicle safe to drive?

- A. The customer may continue to drive the vehicle unless the following conditions occur:
  - Illuminated Anti-Lock Braking System (ABS) or Vehicle Dynamic Control (VDC) warning lamp(s)
  - Intermittent or current no-start/crank condition
  - Intermittent or current inoperative brake lights

If any of the conditions do apply, please contact your local Nissan dealer for immediate service and instructions on how to transport your vehicle to the dealership. Rental is available under the campaign while parts are on order.

- Q. Is there anything owners can do to mitigate this condition?
- A. No.
- Q. Are parts readily available?
- A. Yes.

## Q. Will a rental vehicle be provided while the dealer is servicing the vehicle?

A. Please consult your dealer for alternate transportation availability while your vehicle is being serviced. Rental is available upon customer request, while parts are on order.

EXPENSE CODE	DESCRIPTION	<b>AMOUNT</b>		
502	Rental Expense	\$156 (Max)		
Contact the Warranty claims call center 1-800-258-7008 Option 7, if additional				
expense is required. Please refer to the Goodwill Rental Guidelines in the APRM for				
detailed information regarding application of rental reimbursement.				

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

A. No. The remedy will be performed for the customer free of charge for parts and labor.

## Q. Will I have to take my vehicle back to the selling dealer to have the service performed?

A. No, any authorized Nissan dealer is able to perform the recall campaign.
For Consumer Affairs: Please inform us of the dealer where you would like to have the corrective action completed.

## Q. I have lost confidence in the vehicle. Will Nissan 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. What model year vehicles are involved?

A. Certain Model Year 2016-2019 Nissan Sentra vehicles manufactured from December 1, 2015 to November 23, 2019 at the Aguascalientes 1 and 2 plants are affected.

## Q. Are you experiencing this condition on any other Nissan (or INFINITI) models?

A. No.

## **Revision History:**

Date	Announcement	Purpose
March 9, 2021	Voluntary Safety Recall	New Campaign Announcement
March 30, 2021	REVISION 1	Update to provide rental and parts availability information.
July 23, 2021	REVISION 2	Update to remove ASIST form
August 13, 2021	REVISION 3	Update to remove parts restriction
September 10, 2021	REVISION 4	Parts update
December 16, 2021	REVISION 5	Parts restriction update
June 10, 2022	REVISION 6	Parts and owner notification update.