# **■ IMPORTANT UPDATE**

The attached FAQ has been updated. Refer to the details below.

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12/16	/2021	The attached FAQ has an update for remedy timing.

The most recent update in the attached FAQ will be highlighted with a red box.

Please review this notification with your staff to assure that all relevant personnel have been briefed regarding this subject.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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To: All Toyota Dealer Principals, General Managers, Service Managers, and Parts Managers

## **SAFETY RECALL 21TA06** (Interim Notice 21TB06)

## Certain 2018 - 2021 Model Year Tundra Potential Increased Risk of Vehicle Fire

Model / Years	Production Period	Approximate Total Vehicles	Approximate Stop Sale Dealer Inventory
2018 – 2021 Tundra	Early June 2017 – Late March 2021	158,500	10



#### STOP! DO NOT SELL NEW VEHICLES IN DEALER INVENTORY.

Refer to Dealer Inventory Procedures section for more details.



On September 2, 2021 Toyota filed a Defect Information Report (DIR) with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) informing the agency of our intent to conduct a voluntary Safety Recall on certain 2018 - 2021 model year Tundra vehicles.

#### Condition

The subject vehicles are equipped with halogen headlamps that allow the circuits for both the high and low beam bulb filaments to be energized at the same time when the high beams are switched on. Under some conditions, if the high beams are repeatedly left on for an extended period while the vehicle is idling or driving at low speed, there is a possibility that the bulb connector could overheat to a level that can result in an increased risk of a fire that can propagate to other parts of the vehicle.

#### Remedy

Toyota is currently preparing the remedy. When the remedy is available, Toyota dealers will modify the engine wire harness assembly and inspect the headlight bulb connector, bulb, and headlight assembly. If one or more of these components is found to be damaged due to this overheating condition, the damaged component(s) will be replaced with new ones as needed.

#### **Covered Vehicles**

There are approximately 158,500 vehicles covered by this Safety Recall. Approximately 300 vehicles involved in this Safety Recall were distributed to Puerto Rico.

#### **Owner Letter Mailing Date (Interim)**

Toyota will notify owners by November 2, 2021.

Toyota makes significant effort to obtain current customer name and address information from each state through industry resources when mailing owner letters. In the event your dealership receives a notice for a vehicle that was sold prior to the Safety Recall announcement, it is the dealership's responsibility to forward the owner letter to the customer who purchased the vehicle.

Please note that only owners of the covered vehicles will be notified. If you are contacted by an owner who has not yet received a notification, please *verify eligibility by confirming through TIS prior to performing repairs*. Dealers should perform the repair as outlined in the Technical Instructions found on TIS.

#### **Dealer Inventory Procedures**

#### **New Vehicles in Dealership Inventory**

There are approximately 10 vehicles in new dealer inventory as of September 1, 2021.



Under Title 49, Section 30112 of the United States Code, a dealer cannot sell, offer for sale, or introduce or deliver for introduction in interstate commerce a new motor vehicle when it is aware that the vehicle does not comply with an applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard or contains a defect related to motor vehicle safety. Further, 49 Code of Federal Regulations §577.13 requires us to provide the following advisory: It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by this notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied.

Toyota reimburses dealers for flooring costs associated with new vehicles held in dealership inventory until the recall remedy becomes available. Toyota provides these flooring reimbursements at 60-day intervals. Toyota reserves the right to withhold or charge-back any flooring reimbursement funds that may have been paid to the dealer if it determines that a new vehicle subject to a safety recall was sold without first being remedied.

Vehicle Safety Recall completion should always be verified through TIS. We request your assistance to ensure involved vehicles are identified and not delivered prior to performing the remedy.

#### NOTE:

- New vehicles in dealer inventory subject to a Safety Recall must be remedied before delivery into commerce under a sale
  or lease. Dealer-to-dealer trades as well as vehicle sales between dealers should not be made until a vehicle is remedied.
- Dealers can identify if any of their new and used inventory has any open campaigns in the Vehicle Inventory Summary
  available in Dealer Daily (Non SET and GST dealers: <a href="https://dealerdaily.toyota.com/">https://dealerdaily.toyota.com/</a>). The Vehicle Inventory Summary may
  take up to 4 hours to populate information for newly launched campaigns.

#### Inspection Reminder Mirror Hang Tags for Covered Vehicles in New Dealer Stock

To easily recognize vehicles involved in this Safety Recall, each dealership should utilize Inspection Reminder Hang Tags. Inside the vehicle's glove box are stickers containing the VIN. Apply one of these stickers to the hang tag and install the hang tag in the vehicle. A sample copy of the Inspection Reminder Hang Tag has been included for your reference.



NOTE: Dealerships can order hang tags from the Material Distribution Center (MDC).

Part Number	Description	Quantity
00411-140003	Inspection Mirror Hang Tag	25 Per Pack

#### **Pre-Owned Vehicles in Dealer Inventory**

Toyota typically requests that dealers **NOT** deliver any pre-owned vehicles in dealer inventory that are covered by a Safety Recall unless the defect has been remedied. In this case, until remedy parts are available, delivery of a pre-owned vehicle is acceptable if disclosed to the customer that the vehicle is involved in this Safety Recall and that the remedy is currently being prepared by Toyota.

Toyota expects dealers to use the attached Customer Contact and Vehicle Disclosure Form to obtain vehicle buyer information. Dealers are expected to provide a copy of the completed form, along with the most current FAQ, to the vehicle buyer. Toyota and the dealer may use this information to contact the customer when the remedy becomes available.

Keep the completed form on file at the dealership and send a copy to quality\_compliance@toyota.com. In the subject line of the email, state "Disclosure Form 21TA06/21TB06" and include the VIN.

**NOTE:** Dealers can identify if any of their new and used inventory has any open campaigns in the Vehicle Inventory Summary available in Dealer Daily (**Non SET and GST dealers:** <a href="https://dealerdaily.toyota.com/">https://dealerdaily.toyota.com/</a>). The Vehicle Inventory Summary may take up to 4 hours to populate information for newly launched campaigns.

#### **Toyota Certified Used Vehicle (TCUV)**

The TCUV policy prohibits the certification of any vehicle with an outstanding Safety Recall, Special Service Campaign, or Limited Service Campaign. Thus, no affected units are to be designated, sold, or delivered as a TCUV until all applicable Safety Recalls, Special Service Campaigns, and Limited Service Campaigns have been completed on that vehicle.

#### **Toyota Rent-A-Car (TRAC) & Service Loaners**

Toyota requests that dealers remove all TRAC and Service Loaner vehicles from service that are covered by a Safety Recall unless the defect has been remedied.

## Customer Handling

#### **Customer Contacts**

Customers who receive the owner letter may contact your dealership with questions regarding the letter and/or the Safety Recall. Please welcome them to your dealership and answer any questions that they may have. A Q&A is provided to assure a consistent message is communicated.

Customers with additional questions or concerns are asked to please contact the Toyota Brand Engagement Center (1-888-270-9371) - Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, Saturday 9:00 am to 7:00 pm Eastern Time.

#### **Salvage Title Vehicles**

Every attempt should be made to complete an open Safety Recall when circumstances permit, unless noted otherwise in the Safety Recall dealer letter.

For complete details on this policy, refer to Toyota Warranty Policy <u>4.17</u>, "What Is Not Covered by The Toyota New Vehicle Limited Warranty".

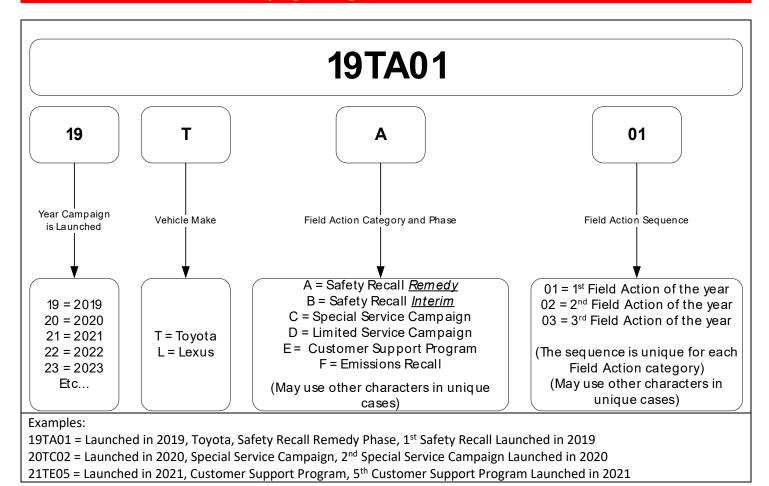
#### **Media Contacts**

It is imperative that all media contacts (local and national) receive a consistent message. In this regard, all media contacts must be directed to Ed Hellwig (469) 292-1165 in Toyota Corporate Communications. Please do not provide this number to customers. Please provide this contact only to media.

#### **Customer Reimbursement**

Reimbursement consideration instructions will be included in the owner letter.

## **Campaign Designation / Phase Decoder**



Please review this entire package with your Service and Parts staff to familiarize them with the proper step-by-step procedures required to implement this Safety Recall.

Thank you for your cooperation.

TOYOTA MOTOR SALES, U.S.A., INC.



## **SAFETY RECALL 21TA06** (Interim Notice 21TB06)

Certain 2018 – 2021 Model Year Tundra Potential Increased Risk of Vehicle Fire

**Frequently Asked Questions** 

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Q1: What is the condition?

A1: The subject vehicles are equipped with halogen headlamps that allow the circuits for both the high and low beam bulb filaments to be energized at the same time when the high beams are switched on. Under some conditions, if the high beams are repeatedly left on for an extended period while the vehicle is idling or driving at low speed, there is a possibility that the bulb connector could overheat to a level that can result in an increased risk of a fire that can propagate to other parts of the vehicle.

Q1a: Are there any warnings that this condition exists?

A1a: Yes, customer may see smoke from the headlight assembly.

Q1b: Is there anything I can do to avoid this condition before the recall remedy is applied?

A1b: Until the remedy is performed, avoid repeatedly leaving on the high beams while stationary or driving at low speeds for extended periods of time (for example, multiple hours). During these situations, use the low beam if it is safe to do so.

#### Q2: What is Toyota going to do?

A2: Toyota is currently preparing the remedy. When the remedy is available, Toyota dealers will modify the engine wire harness assembly and inspect the headlight bulb connector, bulb, and headlight assembly. If one or more of these components is found to be damaged due to this overheating condition, the damaged component(s) will be replaced with new ones as needed.

Q3: When will the remedy become available?

A3: At this time, Toyota estimates that the remedy can be available in mid to late 1st quarter 2022

Q4: Which and how many vehicles are covered by this Safety Recall?

A4: There are approximately 158,500 vehicles covered by this Safety Recall.

Model Name	Model Year	Production Period
Tundra	2018-2021	Early June 2017 – Late March 2021

Note: Only Tundra vehicles manufactured in the production period above and equipped with halogen headlamps are involved in this safety recall. Tundra vehicles equipped with LED headlamps are **NOT** involved in this safety recall.

Q4a: Are there any other Lexus/Toyota/Scion vehicles covered by this Safety Recall in the U.S.?

A4a: No, there are no other Lexus/Toyota/Scion vehicles covered by this Safety Recall.

#### **Q5**: How does Toyota obtain my mailing information?

A5: Toyota uses an industry provider who works with each state's Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to receive registration or title information, based upon the DMV records. Please make sure your registration or title information is correct.

- **Q6:** What if I have additional questions or concerns?
- A6: If you have additional questions or concerns, please contact the Toyota Brand Engagement Center at 1-888-270-9371 Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, Saturday 9:00 am to 7:00 pm Eastern Time.



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## **CUSTOMER CONTACT & VEHICLE DISCLOSURE FORM**

This form is not applicable for new vehicles in dealership inventory and TCUV units.

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Customer Signature	
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Customer Name	Customer Email
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Dealer Name/Address	Dealer Code
	Dealer Phone Number
	Dealer Staff Name

Dealer Staff Signature