

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for Safety Recall N212349040 Driver Front Airbag Inflator May Rupture

These questions and answers are being provided to help GM dealers respond to inquiries from involved vehicle owners about the Safety recall identified above.

Q1) Which vehicles are involved?

A1) Certain 2008–2017 model year Buick Enclave and 2013-2017 model year Chevrolet Traverse vehicles.

Q2) What is the issue or condition?

A2) In these vehicles, the front-driver airbag inflator, which may have been installed either as original equipment or as part of a replacement driver-airbag module during a service event, may contain a supplier manufacturing defect that may result in inflator rupture during deployment.

Q3) What symptoms may be experienced? What warning signs may be associated with the issue or condition described?

A3) None

Q4) What is the remedy/repair?

A4) For vehicles that may have had a suspect inflator installed as original equipment, dealers will replace the front-driver airbag module. For vehicles that may have had a suspect inflator installed as part of a service replacement of the front-driver airbag module, dealers will remove the module, inspect the lot number on the inflator, and replace the suspect module if the lot number matches the suspect lot number. GM dealers will be instructed to inspect and return the service modules that contain inflators from the suspect lot to the Tier 1 supplier.

Q5) What is the safety risk? Is the vehicle safe to drive?

A5) An inflator rupture may cause metal fragments to pass through the airbag and into the vehicle interior, which may result in injury or death to vehicle occupants.

Q6) Does the customer have to pay for this remedy/repair?

A6) No, this inspection/repair will be done at no cost to the customer.

Q7) Is the remedy/repair available now?

A7) No, when a remedy is available and/or sufficient quantity of parts are available, the recall bulletin will be released, and dealers can begin repairing vehicles.

Q8) What should customers do until recall repairs can be completed? Are there any special instructions?

A8) If special instructions are provided, they will be included in the notification letters to customers.

Q9) How can customers check to see if their vehicle is involved in this field action?

A9) Customers who own a vehicle involved in the field action will be notified by mail by General Motors, but they may also check their Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) for field actions in GM Owner Center at <https://my.gm.com/recalls> or via NHTSA's website at <https://vinrcl.safercar.gov/vin/>.