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

# SAFETY RECALL 22TA05 (Remedy Notice)

Certain 2022 Model Year Tundra and Tundra Hybrid Vehicles Rear Axle Shafts May Separate from Vehicle During Driving NHTSA Recall No. 22V-445

Model / Years	Production Period	Approximate Total Vehicles	Approximate Stop Sale Dealer Inventory
2022 Tundra and Tundra HV	Early November 2021 – Mid-June 2022	46,200	500



STOP! DO NOT SELL NEW VEHICLES IN DEALER INVENTORY. Refer to Dealer Inventory Procedures section for more details.



On June 23, 2022, 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 2022 model year Tundra and Tundra Hybrid vehicles.

#### **Condition**

Vehicles in this recall have certain nuts on the rear axle assembly that can loosen over time and, in some cases, fall off, potentially causing an axle shaft sub-assembly to separate from the axle. If complete separation occurs, this can affect vehicle stability and brake performance, increasing the risk of a crash.

#### <u>Remedy</u>

For all involved vehicles, Toyota dealers will inspect and retighten the axle flange nuts *FREE OF CHARGE*. In some cases, axle related components may be replaced *FREE OF CHARGE* based on inspection results.

#### **Covered Vehicles**

There are approximately 46,200 vehicles covered by this Safety Recall. Approximately 300 vehicles involved in this Safety Recall were distributed to Puerto Rico.

#### Owner Letter Mailing Date

Toyota will notify owners by late July 2022.

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 © 2022 Toyota Motor Sales, USA

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 500 vehicles in new dealer inventory as of June 21, 2022.

STOP

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: <u>https://dealerdaily.toyota.com/</u>). 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).

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

#### Pre-Owned Vehicles in Dealer Inventory

To ensure customer satisfaction, Toyota requests that dealers complete this Safety Recall on any used vehicles currently in dealer inventory that are covered by this Safety Recall prior to customer delivery. However, if the campaign cannot be completed (for example, due to remedy parts availability), delivery of a covered vehicle is acceptable if disclosed to the customer that the vehicle is involved in a Safety Recall.

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 22TA05" 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:** <u>https://dealerdaily.toyota.com/</u>). 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, Parts Ordering, and Remedy Procedures

#### **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 Tyler Litchenberger (469) 292-2671 in Toyota Corporate Communications. Please do not provide this number to customers. Please provide this contact only to media.

#### **Technician Training Requirements**

The repair quality of covered vehicles is extremely important to Toyota. All dealership technicians performing this repair are required to successfully complete the most current version of the E-Learning course "Safety Recall and Service Campaign Essentials". To ensure that all vehicles have the repair performed correctly; technicians performing this repair are required to currently have completed all of the following courses:

• T351 Toyota Drivetrain Service and Repair

Always check which technicians can perform the repair by logging on to <u>https://www.uotdealerreports.com</u>. It is the dealership's responsibility to select technicians with the above certification level or greater to perform this repair. Carefully review your resources, the technician skill level, and ability before assigning technicians to this repair. It is important to consider technician days off and vacation schedules to ensure there are properly trained technicians available to perform this repair at all times.

#### Remedy Procedures

Refer to TIS for Technical Instructions on repair. Conduct all non-completed Safety Recalls and Service Campaigns on the vehicle during the time of appointment.

#### **Repair Quality Confirmation**

The repair quality of covered vehicles is extremely important to Toyota. To help ensure that all vehicles have the repair performed correctly, please designate at least one associate (someone other than the individual who performed the repair) to verify the repair quality of every vehicle prior to customer delivery.

# Warranty Reimbursement Procedures

#### Loaner Vehicle or Alternative Transportation Reimbursement Procedure

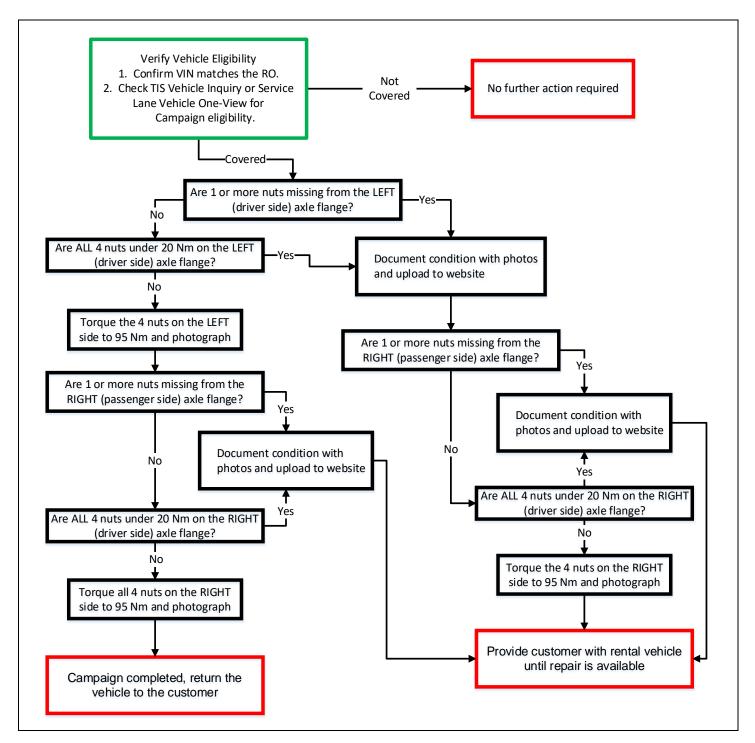
A loaner vehicle or alternative transportation through Toyota Rent-A-CAR (TRAC) can be claimed for \$42 per day.

Op Code	Description	
TBD	Vehicle Rental 1-30 Days	

NOTE:

- Rental invoice *MUST* be attached to all rental claims. These claims may be subject to debit if rental invoice is not attached.
- Rentals that exceed the maximum allowable daily rate will require DSPM authorization per the Toyota Transportation Assistance Policy (TTAP).
- Dealers will be allowed to file these Op Codes up to 90 days after the final phase has launched into remedy. After that time, no claims for alternative transportation reimbursement will be accepted.
- Rental Op Codes will be provided in approximately one week.

#### Warranty Reimbursement Procedure



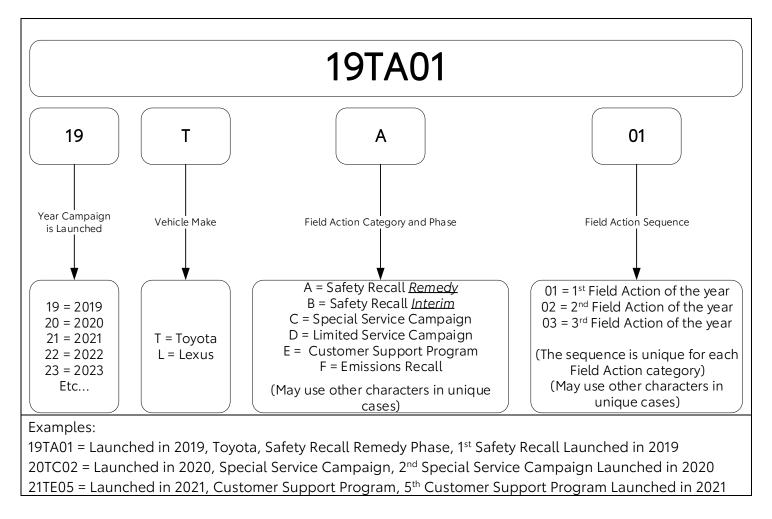
Op Code	Description	Flat Rate Hours
TEC018	Inspect/Tighten Rear Axle Flange Nuts	0.9

- The flat rate times include 0.1 hours for administrative cost per unit for the dealership.
- Towing can be claimed under Op Code TEC018 for a maximum of \$250 as sublet type "TW" in the event the customer requests vehicle pickup.
  - Towing invoice *MUST* be attached to all towing claims. These claims may be subject to debit if towing invoice is not attached.

### Claim Filing Accuracy and Correction Requests

It is the dealer's responsibility to file claims correctly for this Safety Recall. This claim filing information is used by Toyota for various government reporting activities; therefore, claim filing accuracy is crucial. If it has been identified that a claim has been filed using an incorrect Op Code or a claim has been filed for an incorrect VIN, refer to Warranty Procedure Bulletin <u>PRO17-03</u> to correct the claim.

# Campaign Designation / Phase Decoder



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

Thank you for your cooperation. TOYOTA MOTOR SALES, U.S.A., INC.



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Frequently Asked Questions Original Publication Date: June 24, 2022

#### **Q1:** What is the condition?

A1: Vehicles in this recall have certain nuts on the rear axle assembly that can loosen over time and, in some cases, fall off, potentially causing an axle shaft sub-assembly to separate from the axle. If complete separation occurs, this can affect vehicle stability and brake performance, increasing the risk of a crash.

#### Q1a: Are there any symptoms/warnings that the condition exists?

A1a: If you notice an oil leak by either rear tire, vibration, and/or abnormal noise, the vehicle may be experiencing symptoms related to this Safety Recall.

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

A2: Toyota will send an owner notification by first class mail by late July 2022, advising owners to make an appointment with their authorized Toyota dealer to have them inspect and retighten the axle flange nuts *FREE OF CHARGE*. In some cases, axle-related components may be replaced *FREE OF CHARGE* based on the results of the inspection.

#### **Q3**: Which and how many vehicles are covered by this Safety Recall?

A3: There are approximately 46,200 vehicles covered by this Safety Recall.

Model Name	Model Year	Production Period
Tundra and Tundra Hybrid	2022	Early November 2021 – Mid-June 2022

#### **Q4**: How long will the remedy take?

A4: The remedy takes approximately 50 minutes. However, depending upon the inspection results and dealer's work schedule, it may be necessary to make the vehicle available for a longer period of time.

#### **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.

Toyota Motor Sales, USA, Inc. 6565 Headquarters Drive Plano, TX 75024 (469) 292-4000

## CUSTOMER CONTACT & VEHICLE DISCLOSURE FORM

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

This vehicle is involved in a Safety Recall. At this time, <u>remedy parts are not available</u> and the remedy has **NOT** been performed. I understand that the vehicle will need to be returned to an authorized Toyota dealer to have the remedy performed at **NO CHARGE** when the remedy is available.

#### Customer Signature

Toyota recommends that you register with the Toyota Owners Community at <u>http://www.toyota.com/owners/</u> and regularly check recall applicability using <u>www.toyota.com/recall</u> or <u>www.safercar.gov</u>. You will need to input your 17-digit Vehicle Identification Number (VIN).

		Campaig	gn Code
Model	Model Year		
Customer Information			
Customer Name		Customer Email	
Customer Address		Home Phone #	
		Mobile Phone #	
		Date	
available. This inform	nation will only be used for car	mpaign communicatio	ou when the remedy becomes ns. If you'd like to update your supdate or contact us at 1-888-
Dealer Information			
Dealer Name/Addres	;s	Dealer Co	de

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