



GROUP	MODEL
Safety Recall Campaign	2021-2022MY Forte (BDm) Rio (SC)
NUMBER	DATE
SC235	May 2022

## SAFETY RECALL CAMPAIGN

### LOWER STEERING COLUMN U-JOINT

SUBJECT:

### BOLT TIGHTENING (SC235)

This bulletin provides information to tighten the lower steering column shaft u-joint bolt on certain 2021-2022MY Forte (BDm) produced from May 28, 2021 through March 8, 2022 and certain 2021-2022MY Rio (SC) vehicles produced from September 8, 2021 through February 21, 2022. The lower steering column bolt in the affected vehicles did not receive proper tightening torque by the supplemental wrench during vehicle production. An improperly tightened lower steering column bolt may loosen over time, and in the worst case scenario can lead to a detachment of the steering column from the steering rack, resulting in a loss of steering control. Loss of steering control increases the risk of a crash. Follow the procedure outlined in this publication to tighten the u-joint bolt to the specified torque specification. Before conducting the procedure, verify that the vehicle is included in the list of affected VINs.



#### NOTICE

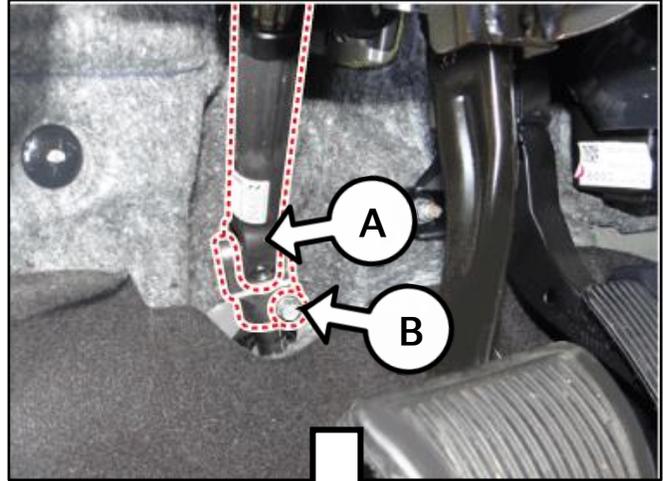
**There is no charge to the vehicle owner for this repair. Under applicable law, you may not sell or otherwise deliver any affected vehicle until it has been repaired pursuant to the procedures set forth in this bulletin.**

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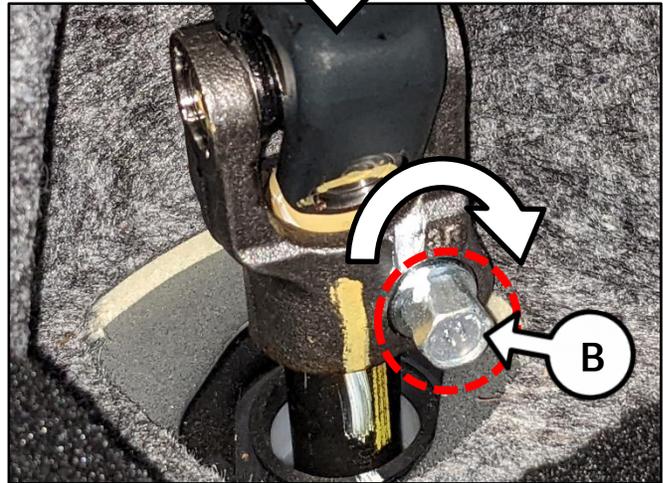
**To assure complete customer satisfaction, always remember to refer to WebDCS Warranty Coverage (validation) Inquiry Screen (Service → Warranty Coverage → Warranty Coverage Inquiry) for a list of any additional campaigns that may need to be performed on the vehicle before returning it to the customer.**

Repair Procedure:

1. Locate the steering column u-joint (A) in the driver foot area and tighten the M10 bolt (B) to the specification listed below.



Tightening torque for bolt (B):  
36.2 - 43.4 lb.ft (49.1 - 58.8 N.m)



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**LOWER STEERING COLUMN U-JOINT BOLT TIGHTENING (SC235)****AFFECTED VEHICLE RANGE:**

Model	Production Date Range
Forte (BDm)	May 28, 2021 to March 8, 2022
Rio (SC)	September 8, 2021 to February 21, 2022

**WARRANTY INFORMATION:****N Code: N99 C Code: C99**

Model	Claim Type	Causal P/N	Qty.	Repair Description	Labor Op Code	Op Time	Replacement P/N	Qty.
BDm	R	56415 3Q000	0	(SC235) Lower Steering Column Shaft U-Joint Bolt Tightening	221M05RO	0.2 M/H	N/A	0
SC		56415 1M000			221M06RO			

Refer to Warranty Bulletin 2022-16 for claim submission procedures.

**NOTICE**

VIN inquiry data for this repair is provided for tracking purposes only. Kia retailers should reference **SC235** when accessing the WebDCS system.

