

Safety Recall: 2006–14 Ridgeline Rear Frame Repair

AFFECTED VEHICLES

Year	Model	Trim Level	VIN Range
2006–14	Ridgeline	ALL	Check the iN VIN status for eligibility.

BACKGROUND

In salt-belt states where de-icing agents are used to maintain the roadway, the de-icing agents, along with mud and dirt, could accumulate along the rear frame, where the fuel tank is mounted. Over time, the accumulated de-icing agents/mud/dirt mixture could cause the fuel tank band mounts to corrode and separate from the frame. If this occurs, an unsecured fuel tank can become damaged from undercarriage impact, which can possibly result in fuel leakage.

If this temporary placeholder bulletin appears during an iN VIN status inquiry, the vehicle is subject to a safety recall. Any affected vehicles in your dealer inventory are on **STOP SALE** until further notice. Check for an iN message for further details.

Since the complete VIN information is in the process of being determined, the model listed under AFFECTED VEHICLES should be treated as a potentially affected vehicle at this time. Accordingly, American Honda is providing the verbiage below to facilitate service of these **potentially affected vehicles**. If a potentially affected vehicle arrives for service, you must advise them that their vehicle may be subject to a recall, and you must document that you advised them. The following suggested text should be included on the repair order. This information should be printed out completely any time service is conducted on a vehicle within the model/year range listed above. Once VIN specific information is available, the normal procedures under SOM 7.2.1 will apply for this recall.

Suggested verbiage to be included on the repair order:

Customer advised that:

The vehicle may be subject to a recall affecting the rear frame. The VIN information to identify the affected vehicles is currently unavailable. Once the affected VINs are identified, the registered owner of the vehicle will receive a notice to bring the vehicle in for potential repair.

This bulletin will be updated once the VIN and Parts Information are available.

END

CUSTOMER INFORMATION: The information in this bulletin is intended for use only by skilled technicians who have the proper tools, equipment, and training to correctly and safely maintain your vehicle. These procedures should not be attempted by “do-it-yourselfers,” and you should not assume this bulletin applies to your vehicle, or that your vehicle has the condition described. To determine whether this information applies, contact an authorized Honda automobile dealer.