

SAFETY RECALL

CAMPAIGN BULLETIN

Tie Rod Replacement Voluntary Safety Recall Campaign

Reference: R23B3 Date: August 16, 2023

Attention: Dealer Principal, Sales, Service & Parts Managers

IMPORTANT: It is a violation of Federal law for dealers to sell or deliver vehicles in their inventory covered by this notification until the campaign action is performed.

Affected	Affected Population:	Dealer	SERVICE COMM	Stop Sale
Models/Years:		Inventory:	Activation date:	In Effect
2020-2022 Sentra (B18)	236,238	88	August 16, 2023	YES

***** Campaign Summary *****

Nissan is committed to the safety and security of our customers and their passengers. Nissan has notified the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) that it is recalling certain MY2020-2022 Sentra vehicles, manufactured from November 25, 2019 to March 31, 2022, to address a potential issue with the tie rods. Once the remedy and parts are available, Nissan dealers will replace both the left-hand and right-hand tie rod with a countermeasure part.

The tie rod's strength may be insufficient under certain real world conditions with high input force. This situation can lead to the left and right side tie rod becoming bent on the affected vehicles. A bent tie rod condition may impair the driver's ability to steer the vehicle. The steering wheel may be off-center and/or experience vibration. In the worst case scenario, if the tie rod breaks, it can lead to a loss of control.

Affected vehicles **are subject** to stop sale and are either currently in dealer inventory or assigned and in transit to the dealer.

***** What Dealers Should Do****

- 1. Verify if vehicles are affected by this Voluntary Safety Recall Campaign using Service Comm or DBS National Service History Campaign I.D. **R23B3.**
 - New vehicles in dealer inventory can also be identified using DBS (Sales-> Vehicle Inventory, and filter by Open Campaign).
 - Refer to NPSB 15-460 for additional information
 - Please continue to check newly arriving inventory for campaign applicability.
- 2. Dealers **must not sell, lease, trade, rent or loan** any vehicles in dealer inventory affected by this recall campaign until after the vehicle has been remedied.

***** Release Schedule *****

	Nissan is currently developing its remedy plan. If a customer presents their vehicle to
	the Dealer with a tie rod issue, send pictures of the VIN and the bent/damaged tie
Donnis	rods to FQA for review at this time until further notice. The remedy and parts are NOT
Repair	readily available. Ahead of publication of the campaign repair bulletin, please reach
	out to FQA for support by contacting FQA_Inspection_Support@nissan-usa.com.
	Nissan anticipates remedy availability in Winter 2023-24 .
Owner	Nissan will begin mailing interim notification letters to owners of affected vehicles in
Notification	October 2023, via U.S. Mail. Once the remedy is available, owners will receive an
	invitation to repair letter instructing them to bring their vehicle to an authorized
	Nissan dealer to have the remedy work completed at no cost to the owner.

***** Dealer Responsibility *****

It is the dealer's responsibility to check Service Comm or DBS National Service History using the appropriate Campaign I.D. for the campaign status on each vehicle falling within the range of this voluntary recall campaign, which for any reason enters the service department. This includes vehicles purchased from private parties or presented by transient (tourist) owners and vehicles in dealer inventory. If a VIN subject to this recall campaign was part of a dealer trade, the letter associated with that VIN should be forwarded to the appropriate dealer for service completion.

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Total Customer Satisfaction

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ):

- Q. Is this a recall?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Is this a Stop Sale?
- A. Yes.
- Q. What is the reason for the recall?
- A. The tie rod's strength may be insufficient under certain real world conditions with high input force.
- Q. What is the possible effect of the condition?
- A. A bent tie rod condition may impair the driver's ability to steer the vehicle. The steering wheel may be off-center and/or experience vibration. In the worst case scenario, if the tie rod breaks, it can lead to a loss of control.

Q. What will be the corrective action for this voluntary recall campaign?

A. Once the remedy and parts are available, dealers will replace both the left-hand and right-hand tie rods.

Q. How long will the corrective action take?

A. Once the remedy and parts are available, this service, which is conducted at no charge to you for parts and labor, could take up to two and one half (2.5) hours to complete. However, your Nissan dealer may require your vehicle for a longer period of time based upon their work schedule.

Q. When will vehicle owners be notified?

A. Nissan will begin sending notifications to owners of all potentially affected vehicles in **October 2023** via U.S. Mail.

Q. Is my vehicle safe to drive?

A. If the steering wheel is off-center and/or you experience vibration, please contact your local Nissan dealer for immediate inspection and instructions on how to transport your vehicle to the dealership.

Q. Is there anything owners can do to mitigate this condition?

A. If the steering wheel is off-center and/or you experience vibration, please contact your local Nissan dealer for immediate inspection and instructions on how to transport your vehicle to the dealership.

Q. Are parts readily available?

A. No. Nissan is currently developing a remedy.

Q. Will a rental vehicle be provided while the dealer is servicing the vehicle?

A. Please consult your dealer for alternate transportation availability while your vehicle is being serviced. Rental is available upon customer request, while parts are on order.

EXPENSE CODE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT		
502	Rental Expense	\$120 (Max)		
Contact the Warranty claims call center 1-800-258-7008 Option 7, if additional expense				
is required. Please refer to the Goodwill Rental Guidelines in the APRM for detailed				
information regarding application of rental reimbursement.				

Q. Is there any charge for this remedy?

A. No. The remedy, once available, will be performed for the customer free of charge for parts and labor.

Q. Will I have to take my vehicle back to the selling dealer to have the service performed?

A. No, once the remedy is available, any authorized Nissan dealer is able to perform the recall campaign.

For Consumer Affairs: Please inform us of the dealer where you would like to have the corrective action completed.

Q. I have lost confidence in the vehicle. Will Nissan replace or repurchase the vehicle?

A. Once available, the remedy will fully correct this condition. As the condition will be corrected, there is no basis for repurchasing or replacing your vehicle.

Q. What model year vehicles are involved?

A. Certain Model Year 2020-2022 Nissan Sentra vehicles manufactured from November 25, 2019 to March 31, 2022.

Q. Are you experiencing this condition on any other Nissan (or INFINITI) models?

A. No.

Revision History:						
Date	Announcement	Purpose				
August 16, 2023	Voluntary Safety Recall	New Campaign Announcement				