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

SAFETY RECALL 24TA06 (Interim Notice 24TB06)

Certain 2023 – 2024 Model Year Prius and Prius Prime Rear Door May Open While Driving

Model / Years	Production Period	Approximate Total Vehicles	Approximate Stop Sale Dealer Inventory
2023 – 2024 Prius	Early October 2022 – Early April 2024	42,600	1,000
2023 – 2024 Prius Prime	Early October 2022 – Early April 2024	13,100	800



STOP! DO NOT SELL NEW VEHICLES IN DEALER INVENTORY.



Refer to Dealer Inventory Procedures section for more details.

On April 17, 2024, 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 2023 - 2024 model year Prius and Prius Prime vehicles.

Condition

Water can enter and short circuit the electronic rear door latches in the involved vehicles. If the doors are not locked, they could open while the vehicle is moving or in a crash, increasing the risk of injury to occupants.

Remedy

Toyota is currently preparing the remedy for this issue. When the remedy is available, Toyota dealers will replace both right and left rear door opener switches with improved ones *FREE OF CHARGE*. At this time, Toyota estimates the remedy can be available in the third quarter of 2024.

Covered Vehicles

There are approximately 55,700 vehicles covered by this Safety Recall. Approximately 260 vehicles involved in this Safety Recall were distributed to Puerto Rico.

Owner Letter Mailing Date

Toyota will notify owners by early June 2024.

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 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 1,800 vehicles in new dealer inventory as of April 15, 2024.



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 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: https://dealerdaily.toyota.com/). The
 Vehicle Inventory Summary may take up to 4 hours to populate information for newly launched campaigns.

<u>Inspection Reminder Mirror Hang Tags for Covered Vehicles in New Dealer Stock</u>

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).

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

Pre-Owned Vehicles in Dealer Inventory

Toyota typically requests that dealers *NOT* deliver any pre-owned vehicles in dealer inventory that are covered by a Safety Recall unless the defect has been remedied. In this case, until remedy parts are available, delivery of a pre-owned vehicle is acceptable if disclosed to the customer that the vehicle is involved in this Safety Recall and that the remedy is currently being prepared by Toyota.

Toyota expects dealers to visit https://toyota-recall-disclosure.imagespm.info/ and complete a Customer Contact and Vehicle Disclosure Form. 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.

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:** https://dealerdaily.toyota.com/). The Vehicle Inventory Summary may take up to 4 hours to populate information for newly launched campaigns.

<u>Toyota Certified Used Vehicle (TCUV)</u>

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 (1-800-331-4331) - Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, Saturday 9:00 am to 7:00 pm Eastern Time.

Salvage Title Vehicles

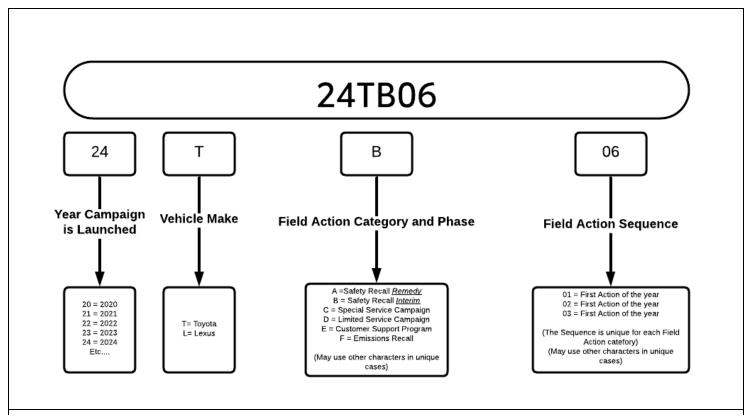
Every attempt should be made to complete an open Safety Recall when circumstances permit, unless noted otherwise in the Safety Recall dealer letter.

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 the Toyota Newsroom https://pressroom.toyota.com/

Campaign Designation / Phase Decoder



Examples:

19TA01 = Launched in 2019, Toyota, Safety Recall Remedy Phase, 1st Safety Recall Launched in 2019 20TC02 = Launched in 2020, Special Service Campaign, 2nd Special Service Campaign Launched in 2020 21TE05 = Launched in 2021, Customer Support Program, 5th Customer Support Program Launched in 2021

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.



SAFETY RECALL 24TA06 (Interim Notice 24TB06)

Certain 2023 – 2024 Model Year Prius and Prius Prime Rear Door May Open While Driving

Frequently Asked Questions

Original Publication Date: April 17, 2024

Q1: What is the condition?

A1: Water can enter and short circuit the electronic rear door latches in the involved vehicles. If the doors are not locked, they could open while the vehicle is moving or in a crash, increasing the risk of injury to occupants.

Q2: What is Toyota going to do?

A2: Toyota is currently preparing the remedy for this issue. When the remedy is available, Toyota dealers will replace both right and left rear door opener switches with improved ones *FREE OF CHARGE*. At this time, Toyota estimates the remedy can be available in the third quarter of 2024.

Q3: When will the remedy become available?

A3: Toyota is currently preparing the parts and repair instructions for the remedy. At this time, Toyota estimates that the remedy can be available in the third quarter of 2024.

Q4: Which and how many vehicles are covered by this Safety Recall?

A4: There are approximately 55,700 vehicles covered by this Safety Recall.

Model / Years	Production Period	Approximate Total Vehicles
2023 – 2024 Prius	Early October 2022 – Early April 2024	42,600
2023 – 2024 Prius Prime	Early October 2022 – Early April 2024	13,100

Q4a: Are there any other Lexus/Toyota/Scion vehicles covered by this Safety Recall in the U.S.?

A4a: No, there are no other Lexus/Scion vehicles covered by this Safety Recall.

- **Q5**: Are there any warnings that this condition exists?
- A5: Yes, if a short-circuit occurs that causes a door to open, there will be a notification on the combination meter, and a buzzer will sound if the vehicle is in motion.



- **Q6**: Are there any preventative measures I can take to reduce the possibility of the door opening unexpectedly?
- A6: Yes. You can avoid large water splashes in the rear door(s) area such as pressure washing or automatic car washes.

Also, ensure that the doors on your vehicle automatically lock when you shift from "Park". If they don't, you can enable this automatic door locking function through your vehicle's head unit following the steps shown below. This procedure can only be completed while vehicle is in Park. Please contact your local Toyota dealer for additional assistance free of charge if necessary.

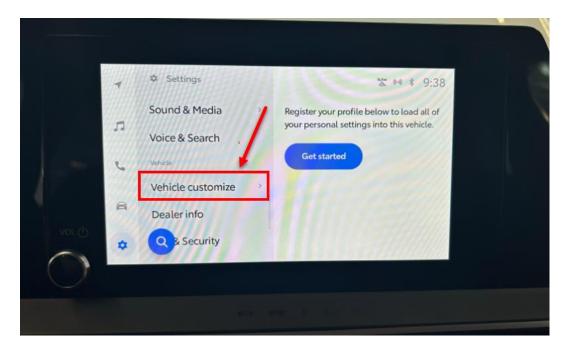
Enable Automatic Door Locking Function Steps

Step 1: Ensure vehicle is in Park.

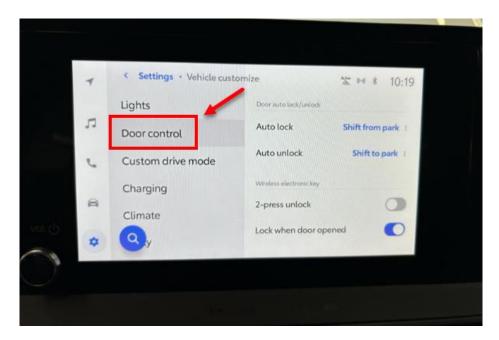
Step 2: Access the Settings menu by pressing the gear on the bottom left as shown below.



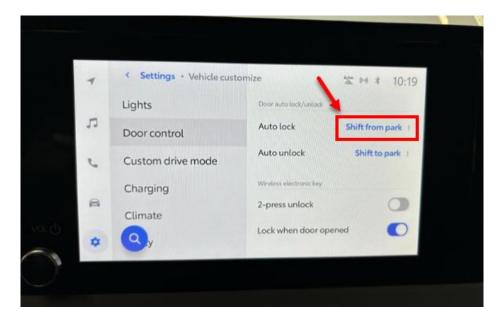
Step 3: Select Vehicle customize menu as shown below.

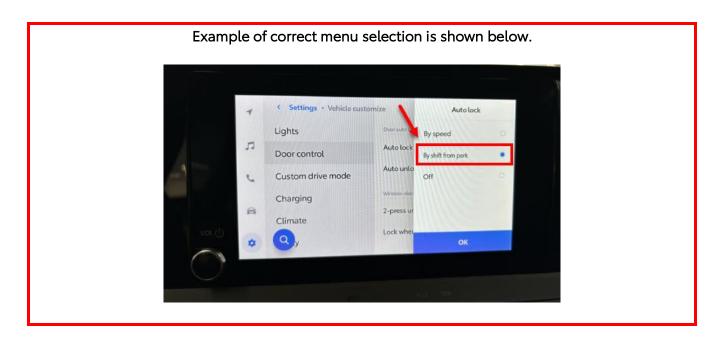


Step 4: Select Door control as shown below.



Step 5: Ensure "Shift from park" from Auto lock menu is selected as shown below.





Q7: How does Toyota obtain my mailing information?

A7: 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.

Q8: What if I have additional questions or concerns?

A8: If you have additional questions or concerns, please contact the Toyota Brand Engagement Center at 1-800-331-4331 Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, Saturday 9:00 am to 7:00 pm Eastern Time.



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IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

Certain 2023 - 2024 Model Year Prius and Prius Prime Vehicles Rear Door May Open While Driving NHTSA Recall No. 24V-274 Toyota Recall No. 24TA06 (Interim Notice 24TB06)

We are currently preparing the remedy. We will notify you again when the remedy is available.

Dear (customer's First/Last name),

This notice applies to your vehicle: [VIN]

This notice is sent to you in accordance with <u>the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act</u>. Toyota has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain 2023 - 2024 model year Prius and Prius Prime vehicles.

You received this notice because our records, which are based primarily on state registration and title data, indicate that you are the current owner.

What is the condition?

Water can enter and short circuit the electronic rear door latches in the involved vehicles. If the doors are not locked, they could open while the vehicle is moving or in a crash, increasing the risk of injury to occupants.

What should you do?

We appreciate your patience while we prepare the remedy. We will notify you again when the remedy is available. Please make sure your vehicle has the automatic door locking function enabled when shifting from "Park". If this feature is not active, see instructions with this letter. Your local Toyota dealer will be more than happy to answer any of your questions.

- ✓ To find a dealer near you, visit <u>www.toyota.com/dealers</u>.
- ✓ For more information on this and other Safety Recalls, including Frequently Asked Questions, visit <u>www.toyota.com/recall</u>. Input your full 17-digit Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) noted above to review information specific to your vehicle.
- ✓ If you require further assistance, you may contact the Toyota Brand Engagement Center at 1 800-331-4331 Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, Saturday 9:00 am to 7:00 pm Eastern Time.

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What will Toyota do?

Toyota is currently preparing the remedy for this issue. When the remedy is available, Toyota dealers will replace both right and left rear door opener switches with improved ones *FREE OF CHARGE*. At this time, Toyota estimates the remedy can be available in the third quarter of 2024.

Are there any warnings that this condition exists?

Yes, if a short-circuit occurs that causes a door to open, there will be a notification on the combination meter, and a buzzer will sound if the vehicle is in motion. If a door is open, stop the vehicle as soon as it is safe to do so, and close the door and lock it before driving further.



What can I do to reduce the possibility of the door opening unexpectedly?

- You can avoid large water splashes on the rear door(s) area such as pressure washing or automatic car
 washes.
- Also, ensure that the doors on your vehicle automatically lock when you shift from "Park". If they don't, you
 can enable this automatic door locking function through your vehicle's head unit following the steps in the
 attachment to this letter. Please contact your local Toyota dealer for additional assistance free of charge if
 necessary.

What if you are not the owner or operator of this vehicle?

If you are a vehicle lessor, Federal Law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

If you know the current owner or operator, please forward this letter to them.

If you would like to update your vehicle ownership or contact information, please visit https://www.toyota.com/ owners

If you believe that the dealer or Toyota has failed or is unable to remedy the defect within a reasonable time or without charge, you may submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E., Washington, D.C. 20590, or call the toll free Vehicle Safety Hot Line at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153), or go to http://www.safercar.gov.

We have sent this notice in the interest of your continued satisfaction with our products. We sincerely regret any inconvenience this condition may have caused you.

Thank you for driving a Toyota.

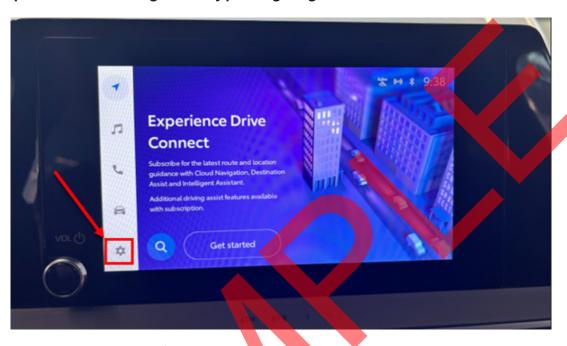
Sincerely,

Toyota Motor Sales, USA

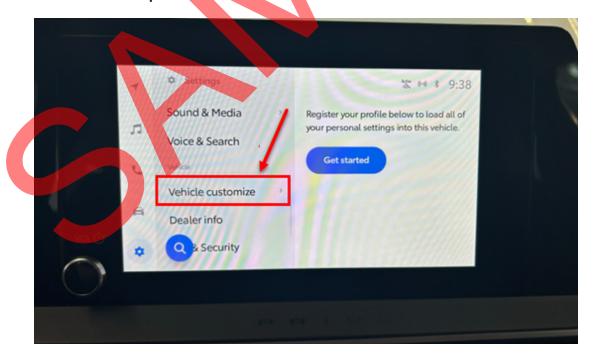
Instructions To Enable Automatic Door Locking Function

Step 1: Ensure vehicle is in Park.

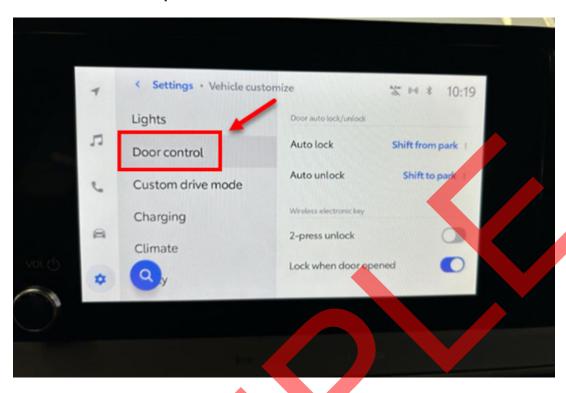
Step 2: Access the Settings menu by pressing the gear on the bottom left as shown below.



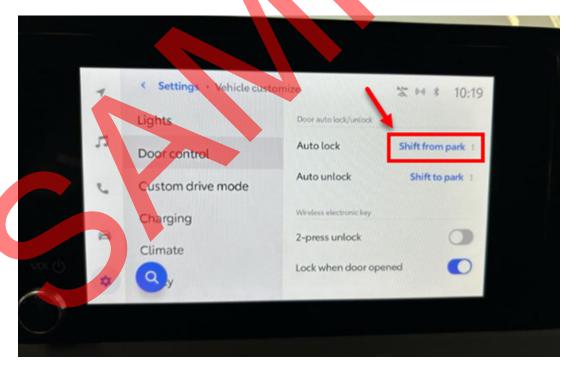
Step 3: Select Vehicle customize menu as shown below.



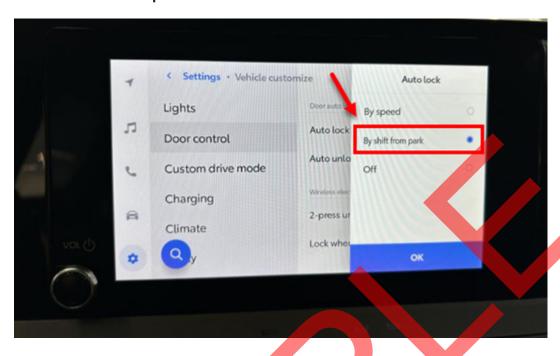
Step 4: Select Door control as shown below.



Step 5: Ensure "Shift from park" from Auto lock menu is selected as shown below.



Example of correct menu selection is shown below.



Step 6. Exit the menu and confirm doors lock when shifting from Park.



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RETIRO DE SEGURIDAD URGENTE

Ciertos vehículos Prius y Prius Prime de año modelo 2023 - 2024 La puerta trasera puede abrirse mientras conduce Retiro de Seguridad NHTSA No. 24V-274 Retiro de Seguridad Toyota No. 24TA06 (Notificación temporal 24TB06)

Actualmente estamos preparando el remedio. Nosotros le notificaremos de nuevo cuando el remedio esté disponible.

Estimado (customer's First/Last name),

Esta notificación aplica a su vehículo: [VIN]

Se le envía esta notificación de acuerdo con <u>la Ley</u> Nacional de la oficina de Administración Nacional <u>de Seguridad del Tráfico en las Carreteras</u> (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration o NHTSA por sus siglas en inglés). Toyota ha decidido que existe un defecto, que se relaciona con la seguridad de los vehículos de motor, en ciertos vehículos Prius y Prius Prime de año modelo 2023 - 2024.

Usted recibió esta notificación porque nuestros registros, que se basan principalmente en los datos del estado de registro y de título, indican que usted es el propietario actual.

¿Cuál es la condición?

El agua puede entrar y ocasionar un cortocircuito en los pestillos electrónicos de la puerta trasera en los vehículos involucrados. Si las puertas no están cerradas, podrían abrirse mientras el vehículo está en movimiento o en un choque, aumentando el riesgo de lesiones a los ocupantes.

¿Qué debe hacer?

Nosotros apreciamos su paciencia mientras preparamos el remedio. Nosotros le notificaremos de nuevo cuando el remedio esté disponible. Por favor, asegúrese que su vehículo tenga la función de bloqueo automático de las puertas habilitada al cambiar de "Park". Si esta función no está activa, consulte las instrucciones con esta carta. Su concesionario Toyota local responderá con gusto todas sus preguntas.

- ✓ Para encontrar un concesionario cerca de usted, visite <u>www.toyota.com/dealers</u>.
- ✓ Si desea más información sobre este y otros Retiros de Seguridad, incluyendo las preguntas frecuentes, visite <u>www.toyota.com/recall</u>. Ingrese el número de identificación de su vehículo de 17 dígitos (VIN) indicado arriba para revisar la información específica de su vehículo.
- ✓ Si requiere más asistencia, puede comunicarse con el Centro de Compromiso con la Marca Toyota llamando al 1 800-331-4331, de lunes a viernes, de 8:00 am a 8:00 pm y los sábados de 9:00 am a 7:00 pm, Horario del Este.

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¿Qué hará Toyota?

Toyota está en este momento preparando el remedio para este problema. Cuando el remedio esté disponible, los concesionarios Toyota reemplazarán *SIN CARGO* los interruptores de apertura de la puerta trasera derecha e izquierda con otros mejorados. En este momento, Toyota estima que el remedio puede estar disponible en el tercer trimestre de 2024.

¿Existen algunas advertencias de que esta condición existe?

Sí, si ocurre un cortocircuito que hace que una puerta se abra, habrá una notificación en el medidor de combinación, y sonará un zumbador de advertencia si el vehículo está en movimiento. Si una puerta está abierta, detenga el vehículo tan pronto como sea seguro hacerlo, y cierre la puerta y bloquéela antes de conducir más lejos.



¿Qué puedo hacer para reducir la posibilidad de que la puerta se abra inesperadamente?

- Puede evitar salpicaduras de agua grandes en el área de la puerta trasera, como el lavado a presión o los lavados automáticos de automóviles.
- Además, asegúrese que las puertas de su vehículo se bloqueen automáticamente cuando cambie de "Park".
 Si no lo hacen, puede habilitar esta función de bloqueo automático de las puertas a través de la unidad principal de su vehículo siguiendo los pasos adjuntos en esta carta. Por favor, póngase en contacto con su concesionario Toyota local para obtener asistencia adjcional gratuita si es necesario.

¿Qué pasa si usted no es el propietario o el operador de este vehículo?

Si usted arrienda el vehículo, la ley federal requiere que todo arrendador de vehículo que reciba esta notificación del retiro de seguridad debe enviar una copia del aviso al arrendatario en menos de diez días.

Si conoce al propietario u operador actual, sea tan amable de enviarle esta carta.

Si quisiera actualizar la propiedad de su vehículo o la información de contacto, por favor visite https://www.toyota.com/owners

Si cree que el concesionario o Toyota no ha cumplido o no ha podido remediar el defecto en un plazo razonable o sin cargo, puede enviar una queja al Administrador, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E., Washington, D.C. 20590, o llamar a la línea directa sin costo de los vehículos al 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153), o visite http://www.safercar.gov.

Hemos enviado esta notificación con el interés de que usted esté continuamente satisfecho con nuestros productos. Lamentamos sinceramente cualquier inconveniente que este problema le pudo haber ocasionado.

Muchas gracias por conducir un Toyota.

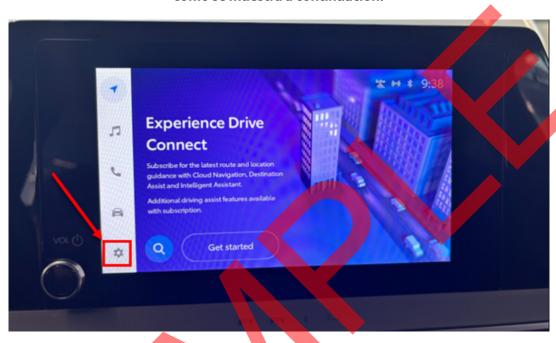
Atentamente,

Toyota Motor Sales, USA

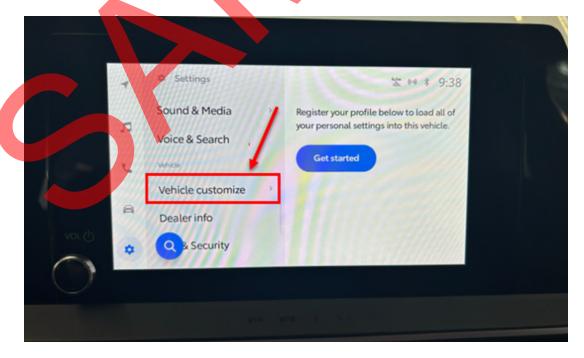
Instrucciones para habilitar la función de bloqueo automático de las puertas

Paso 1: Asegúrese que el vehículo esté en "Park".

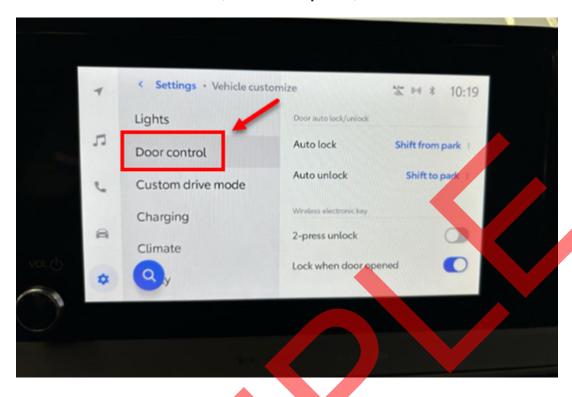
Paso 2: Acceda al menú "Settings" (Configuración) presionando el icono en la parte inferior izquierda como se muestra a continuación.



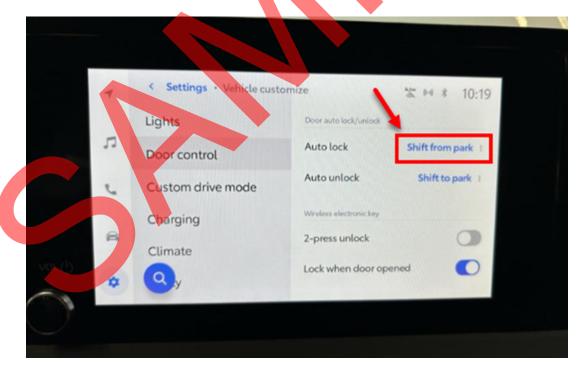
Paso 3: Seleccione el menú "Vehicle customize" (Personalización del vehículo) como se muestra a continuación.



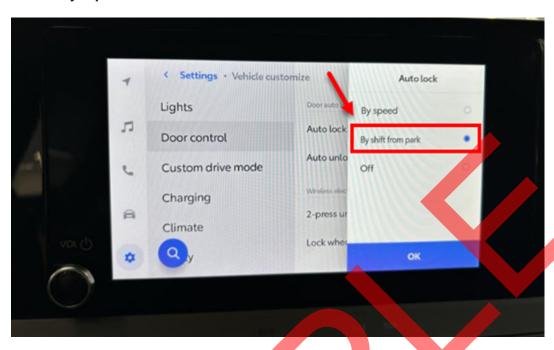
Paso 4: Seleccione "Door control" (Control de la puerta) como se muestra a continuación.



Paso 5: Asegúrese que "Shift from park" (Cambie de Park) del menú "Auto lock" (Bloqueo automático) esté seleccionado como se muestra a continuación.



Ejemplo de selección correcta del menú se muestra a continuación.



Paso 6. Salga del menú y confirme que las puertas se bloquean al cambiar de "Park".