



U.S. Department of Transportation  
**National Highway Traffic Safety  
Administration**

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Washington, DC 20590**

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25V798

Alex Goeman  
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**Subject:** Crankshaft Bushing Can Seize and Cause Engine Stall

Dear Alex Goeman:

This letter serves to acknowledge Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A.'s notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

**Makes/Models/Model Years:**

KAWASAKI/NINJA ZX-6R/2024-2026

**Mfr's Report Date:** November 18, 2025

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 25V798

**Components:**

ENGINE AND ENGINE COOLING:ENGINE:HARD PARTS INTERNAL/MECHANICAL

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 20,301

**Problem Description:**

Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A. (Kawasaki) is recalling certain 2024-2026 Ninja ZX-6R, ZX-6R KRT Edition, ZX-6R KRT 40th Anniversary Edition ABS, ZX-6R ABS, and ZX-6R KRT Edition ABS motorcycles. The motorcycles may lose engine power during operation due to seizure of a metal crankshaft bushing.

**Consequence:**

An engine stall increases the risk of a crash.

**Remedy:**

Owners are advised not to ride their motorcycles until the repair has been completed. The remedy is currently under development. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule.



Motorcycles in this recall that were previously repaired under recall 25V376 will need to have the new remedy performed, once available. Owners may contact Kawasaki customer service at (855) 878-4217.

**Notes:**

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-888-275-9171), or go to [www.nhtsa.gov](http://www.nhtsa.gov).

**Please ensure the following requirements are met:**

**Remedy Not Supplied**

Provide a description of the recall remedy as required by 49 CFR §573.6(8)(i), in an amended Part 573 Recall Report through the NHTSA Recalls Portal.

**AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.**

**Chronology Not Supplied**

As required by 49 CFR §573.6, provide a chronology of all principal events that were the basis for the determination that the defect related to motor vehicle safety, including a summary of all warranty claims, field or service reports, and other information (such as the number of deaths and/or injuries) with their dates of receipt. In the case of a noncompliance, provide the test results and other information used to determine the existence of the noncompliance, including the date of each test and observation that indicated that a noncompliance might or did exist. Submit this information through an amended Part 573 report through the recalls portal. If additional space is needed, please upload as a separate miscellaneous document.

**AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.**

**Planned Notification Begin and End Dates Not Supplied**

Provide the estimated date(s) for which your company will notify owners regarding this safety recall as required by (49 CFR 573.6 (c)(8)(ii), in an amended Part 573 Recall Report through the NHTSA Recalls Portal. If there are no owners involved in this recall, please indicate No Owners using the checkbox on an amended 573 report.

**AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.**

**Reimbursement Plan Not Supplied**

Provide a plan for reimbursing an owner or purchaser who incurred costs to obtain a remedy for the problem addressed by the recall within a reasonable time in advance of your company's notification of owners, purchasers, and dealers, in accordance with 49 CFR 573.13. Your company's plan may incorporate by reference a general reimbursement plan previously submitted to NHTSA, together with information specific to the individual recall. If your company submits one or more general reimbursement plans, your company shall update each plan every two years (49 CFR 573.13). If the vehicles are new and would be covered under the manufacturer's warranty program, please state that in the reimbursement section of an amended Part 573 Recall Report through the NHTSA Recalls Portal.

**AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.**

**Risk Identification Not Supplied**

Add Kawasaki's consumer advisory message as stated in the draft owner notification letter in an amended Part 573 Recall Report through the NHTSA Recalls Portal.

**AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.**

We have received your proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

**Please be reminded of the following requirements:**

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

As stated in 49 U.S.C. § 30118(f), submission of eight consecutive quarterly reports followed by three annual reports is required. As described in 573.7, submission of the first of eight consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter. The first of three consecutive annual status reports will be due on, or before, 1 year after the eighth quarterly report was submitted.

Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A.'s contact for this recall will be DeMara Magruder who may be reached by email at [demara.magruder@dot.gov](mailto:demara.magruder@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

*Alex Ansley*

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