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National Highway
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Administration

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

25V873

Manufacturer Name: Suzuki Motor USA, LLC

Submission Date: Dec 17, 2025

NHTSA Recall No.: 25V873

Manufacturer Recall No.: 3A09

Manufacturer Information

Population

Manufacturer Name: Suzuki Motor USA, LLC

Address: 3251 East Imperial Highway
Brea CA, 92821-6795

Total number of potentially involved: 3,003

Estimated percentage with defect: 100%

Vehicle Information

Vehicle 1: 2026-2026 SUZUKI DR-Z400S

Product Category: Motorcycles

Product Type: Motorcycles

Fuel / Propulsion: Spark Ignition Fuel

Production Dates: Sep 03, 2025 - Oct 08, 2025

Number of potentially involved: 18

Descriptive Information:

Recall population consists of 2026 model year production that occurred prior to November 14, 2025.

Vehicle 2: 2025-2025 SUZUKI DR-Z400S

Product Category: Motorcycles

Product Type: Motorcycles

Fuel / Propulsion: Spark Ignition Fuel

Production Dates: Feb 13, 2025 - Jul 17, 2025

Number of potentially involved: 1,431

Descriptive Information:

Recall population includes all 2025 model year production.

Vehicle 3: 2025-2025 SUZUKI DR-Z400SM

Product Category: Motorcycles

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25V873**Product Type:** Motorcycles**Fuel / Propulsion:** Spark Ignition Fuel**Production Dates:** Mar 11, 2025 - Jul 21, 2025**Number of potentially involved:** 1,554**Descriptive Information:**

Recall population includes all 2025 model year production.

Defect / Noncompliance Description

Description of the defect or noncompliance:

Insufficient tightening of the reservoir tank cap fixing screws could allow brake fluid to leak from the rear brake master cylinder reservoir. In the worst-case, brake fluid could leak from the reservoir to the point that rear brake performance could be reduced.

FMVSS1: 122 - Motorcycle brake systems**FMVSS2:****Description of the safety risk, including crash, fire, death, injury:**

Reduced rear brake performance could increase stopping distance and increase the risk of a crash.

Description of the cause:

Insufficient tightening torque was applied to the rear brake master cylinder reservoir tank cap fixing screws at time of production.

Identification of any warning that can occur:

Leaking brake fluid will be visually identifiable on the outside of the brake master cylinder cap seal and reservoir.

Component Manufacturer

Tier of Supplier: Tier 1**Supplier Type:** Other**Name:** Suzuki Motor Corporation**Address:** 300 Takatsuka-cho
Chuo-ku, Hamamatsu-shi
Shizuoka-ken Foreign States, 432-8611**Country:** Japan

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Involved Components

Component Name 1: CYLINDER ASSY, REAR MASTER

Component Description: Rear brake master cylinder assembly

Component Part Number: 69600-37K00

Chronology

11/10/2025: SMC received an initial report from a foreign distributor stating that "In DR-Z4S, the reservoir tank cap screw of the rear brake master cylinder is loose, and brake fluid is leaking."

11/12/2025: SMC began investigating the cause of the loosening of the rear brake master cylinder fixing screws and inspecting completed vehicles in SMC's possession.

11/17/2025: Because no change had occurred in the manufacturing process history to account for this condition, and a vehicle with insufficient tightening torque for the relevant screw was identified on a completed vehicle in SMC's possession, SMC decided to suspend shipment and wholesale of the DR-Z4S and the DR-Z4SM that used the same part and was tightened in the same process while investigation continued.

11/20/2025: As a result of examining the tightening torque of the relevant screws on 171 vehicles that were involved in the shipment hold, SMC confirmed that there were 170 vehicles with insufficient torque. There was no vehicle with brake fluid leaking.

12/2/2025: As a result of duplication tests, SMC found that the torque application tool used for production had an incorrect setting that did not account for torque loss, and insufficient torque had been applied to the relevant screws.

12/11/2025: It was determined that the fixing screws of the rear brake master cylinder reservoir tank cap had insufficient tightening torque, and in this condition over time the screws would become loose and brake fluid would leak. In the worst case, the brake fluid in the reservoir tank could decline to an extent that insufficient brake fluid would remain in the reservoir to allow normal rear brake performance. In this condition, stopping distance would be extended. SMC decided to conduct a safety recall campaign.

Related NHTSA Recall Number:

Description of Remedy

Remedy Type: Repair

Consumer Advisories: Do Not Drive Park Outside

Description of remedy program:

Affected vehicles will have the relevant screws tightened to the correct torque specification and brake pedal pressure feel will be confirmed.

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How remedy component differs from recalled component:

The remedy component will have proper torque applied to the reservoir cap fixing screws of the original part. No identification mark will be applied.

Identify how/when recall condition was corrected in production:

From 11/18/2025, a confirmation process for tightening with a torque wrench was implemented to the vehicle production line assembly process.

Reimbursement Plan

Description of reimbursement program:

The customer reimbursement plan is submitted as a separate document.

Period of reimbursement:**Costs to be reimbursed:****Address for reimbursement claims:**

Recall Schedule

Description of recall schedule:

The supplied schedule for customer and dealer notification is based on the current estimated timing.

Planned Dealer Notification Date: Dec 17, 2025 - Dec 17, 2025

No Dealers

Planned Interim Owner Notification Date:

No Owners

Planned Remedy Owner Notification Date: Jan 09, 2026 - Jan 09, 2026

Phased Recall

Date when VIN will be searchable: Dec 20, 2025