



ADVANCE DEALER NOTICE OF SAFETY RECALL

DATE	2/17/2025
RECALL ID	Kia: SC336 / NHTSA: TBD
SUBJECT	Kia is conducting a safety recall to address an issue involving the piston oil ring.
AFFECTED VEHICLES	2021-2023 MY Soul and Seltos equipped with 2.0L Nu MPI engine
AFFECTED POPULATION	Approximately 137,256 vehicles
RECALL CONDITION	Due to a quality deviation by the piston oil ring supplier, the piston ring in the subject vehicles may, over time, damage the surface of the cylinder bore. This may lead to increased oil consumption, eventually resulting in abnormal noise from the engine and/or illumination of the oil pressure warning light. If the vehicle is continually operated in this condition, engine damage and/or seizure can occur, resulting in loss of motive power. In limited cases, a fire may occur from engine oil leaking onto a hot exhaust component due to a hole in the engine block. Loss of motive power and/or fire increases the risk of crash and injury.
REMEDY	Dealers will inspect, and if necessary, replace the engine. As a preventative measure, dealers will also be instructed to install a Piston-ring Noise Sensing System (PNSS) software to provide an early warning light to the driver of potential damage to the engine. If the PNSS software subsequently sets a Diagnostic Trouble Code (DTC), the engine will be replaced.
REMEDY AVAILABILITY	Late March 2025
PLANNED NOTIFICATIONS	Dealers will be notified when the remedy becomes available. Owners will be notified by first-class mail in early April 2025.
NHTSA ADVISORY	It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle covered by this notification under a sale or lease until the defect is remedied.

If you have any questions, please contact your Kia District Parts and Service Manager.

Sincerely,

Kia North America Safety Office

LEGAL PRIVACY LIABILITY NOTICE: Pursuant to the terms of the Dealer Sales and Service Agreement and the Gramm-Leach-Bliley federal consumer privacy act, you are required to keep confidential any and all information and documents provided to you by Kia America, Inc. or generated by you in the conduct of carrying out work under that Agreement regarding Kia vehicle purchasers and owners, including but not limited to warranty claim information. Kia dealers may use such owner information for the sole purpose of conducting and performing this safety recall campaign, and for no other purpose.