



Service Engineering Operations
Customer Service Division

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TO: All U.S. Ford and Lincoln Dealers

SUBJECT: NEW VEHICLE DEMONSTRATION / DELIVERY HOLD - Advance Notice - Safety Recall 25S45
Certain 2024-2025 Model Year Bronco and Ranger Vehicles
Front Upper Control Arm to Knuckle Ball Joint Loose or Missing Fastener.

AFFECTED VEHICLES

| Vehicle | Model Year | Assembly Plant | Build Dates |
|---------|------------|----------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Bronco | 2024-2025 | Michigan | September 6, 2024 through January 15, 2025 |
| Ranger | 2024-2025 | Michigan | September 6, 2024 through January 21, 2025 |

US population of affected vehicles: 4,481. Affected vehicles are identified in OASIS and FSA VIN Lists.

REASON FOR THIS SAFETY RECALL

In some of the affected vehicles, the nut on the ball joint, which secures the front upper control arm to the knuckle assembly, may not have been installed or torqued to specification. This can result in separation of the front upper control arm from the knuckle assembly. A separation of the front upper control arm from the knuckle assembly may result in a loss of directional control without warning, increasing the risk of a crash.

SERVICE ACTION

DO NOT DEMONSTRATE OR DELIVER any new in-stock vehicles involved in this safety recall. **A complete Dealer Bulletin will be provided to dealers when parts ordering information and repair instructions are available to support this safety recall.** For new vehicle storage guidelines, refer to EFC13033, Storage Guidelines for New Vehicles.

IMPORTANT: Dealers should open a Repair Order (RO) only when a full dealer bulletin is published. Opening an RO against an Awareness or Advance Notice will result in warranty rejections against a recall.

CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION

Owners of record will be notified via first-class mail after repair instructions and parts ordering information have been provided to dealers.

PLEASE NOTE:

Federal law requires dealers to complete this recall service before a new vehicle is delivered to the buyer or lessee. Violation of this requirement by a dealer could result in a civil penalty of up to \$27,168 per vehicle. Correct all vehicles in your new vehicle inventory prior to delivery.

DEALER-OPERATED RENTAL VEHICLES

The Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act law effective June 2016 prohibits a rental company from selling, renting or leasing vehicles subject to a safety or compliance recall. Please consult your legal counsel for legal advice.

QUESTIONS & ASSISTANCE

For questions and assistance, contact the Special Service Support Center (SSSC) via the SSSC Web Contact Site. The SSSC Web Contact Site can be accessed through the Professional Technician System (PTS) website using the SSSC link listed at the bottom of the OASIS VIN report screen or listed under the SSSC tab.

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