

**IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL  
NHTSA RECALL NO. 25V-146**

**2024 Z500 ABS & SE ABS, NINJA® 500, ABS, SE ABS, KRT EDITION,  
SE 40TH ANNIVERSARY EDITION, REPLACE CLUTCH RELEASE SHAFT**

THIS NOTICE APPLIES TO YOUR MOTORCYCLE

VIN:JKBXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

OWNER NAME  
ADDRESS  
CITY, STATE, ZIP

MODEL CODE: MC25-04  
ENGINE: XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX  
FRAME: XXXXXX  
DATE: MARCH 2025

Dear Kawasaki Motorcycle Owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A., has decided that a defect that relates to vehicle safety exists in certain 2024 Z500 ABS & SE ABS, NINJA® 500, ABS, SE ABS, KRT Edition, SE 40th Anniversary Edition model motorcycles.

**What is the reason for this notice?**

On certain eligible units, the clutch release shaft was not properly welded between the lever and the shaft. Continuous use in this condition may result in the lever coming apart, making it difficult to disengage the clutch and thereby disabling the vehicle. Our records indicate that you have purchased one of these units.

**What Kawasaki and your dealer will do:**

At no cost to you, Kawasaki has authorized your dealer to replace the clutch release shaft. The repair will take up to 15 minutes but may take longer due to scheduling at the dealership and the time needed to obtain required parts.

**What should you do to ensure your safety?**

Please call your Kawasaki dealer to schedule an appointment to have your motorcycle repaired. Please have your Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) ready when calling. To locate the nearest authorized Kawasaki motorcycle dealer, please visit [www.kawasaki.com](http://www.kawasaki.com) and click on the "LOCATE DEALER" link.

**If you need help:**

If you have questions or concerns that your dealer is not able to resolve, please contact Kawasaki's Customer Care Department at (866) 802-9381 (toll-free) between 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. PT Monday through Friday. Please have your Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) ready when calling.

If your dealer fails or is unable to remedy this defect without charge within a reasonable amount of time, you may submit a written complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave. S.E., Washington, D.C. 20590, or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1(888) 327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.nhtsa.gov>.

**If you received this notice in error:**

Our records indicate you are the current owner of the motorcycle described in this letter. If you no longer have the vehicle described in this letter, please help us to update our records at [www.kawasaki.com](http://www.kawasaki.com) by clicking on "OWNER CENTER => KAWASAKI SUPPORT => UPDATE OWNER INFO" or by calling Kawasaki toll free at (866) 802-9381. Federal regulation requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

**Reimbursement:**

If you have experienced the failure described above prior to receiving this letter and have paid to have it corrected, you may be eligible for full or partial reimbursement for your documented cost of repair(s). To apply for reimbursement, please send copies of current owner information, VIN, and copies of repair orders and payment confirmation to the following address:

Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A.

ATTN: Customer Care

P.O. Box 25252

Santa Ana, California 92799-5252

Please note the following conditions for reimbursement:

Current owner information, VIN, and copies of repair orders with payment confirmation must be provided. Claims may be denied if proper documentation is not provided.

We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause, but we have taken this action in the interest of your safety and your continued satisfaction with your Kawasaki motorcycle.

Sincerely,

Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A.