U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Safety Recall Report 26V135

Manufacturer Name: Kia America, Inc.
Submission Date: Mar 06, 2026
NHTSA Recall No.: 26V135
Manufacturer Recall No.: SC364

Manufacturer Information

Manufacturer Name: Kia America, Inc.
Address: 111 Peters Canyon Road
Irvine CA, 92606

Population

Total number of potentially involved: 14,870
Estimated percentage with defect: 1%

Vehicle Information

Vehicle 1: 2027-2027 KIA TELLURIDE
Product Category: Light Vehicles
Product Type: Multipurpose Passenger Vehicle
Fuel / Propulsion: Spark Ignition Fuel
Production Dates: Jan 02, 2026 - Feb 19, 2026
Number of potentially involved: 13,499
Descriptive Information:

Certain 2027 model year Kia Telluride vehicles manufactured from January 2, 2026 to February 19, 2026 (13,499 units).

The recall population was determined by a review of Kia vehicle production and supplier records. The vehicles subject to this recall were not produced in VIN order. Customers seeking information about their specific vehicle will be referred to Kia's Customer Care Center or their Kia dealer.

Vehicle 2: 2026-2026 KIA K4
Product Category: Light Vehicles
Product Type: Passenger Car
Fuel / Propulsion: Spark Ignition Fuel
Production Dates: Oct 31, 2025 - Feb 23, 2026
Number of potentially involved: 1,371
Descriptive Information:

Certain 2026 model year Kia K4 Hatchback vehicles manufactured from October 31, 2025 to February 23, 2026 (1,371 units).

The recall population was determined by a review of Kia vehicle production and supplier records. The vehicles subject to this recall were not produced in VIN order. Customers seeking information about

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their specific vehicle will be referred to Kia's Customer Care Center or their Kia dealer.

Defect / Noncompliance Description

Description of the defect or noncompliance:

The rear center seatbelt anchor buckle in certain 2026MY K4 Hatchback vehicles and the third-row center seatbelt anchor buckle in certain 2027MY Telluride vehicles may not latch properly due to a manufacturing error by the supplier. A seatbelt anchor buckle that does not latch properly may not adequately restrain the occupant during certain collisions.

FMVSS1:

FMVSS2:

Description of the safety risk, including crash, fire, death, injury:

Increased risk of injury

Description of the cause:

Improperly manufactured rear center seatbelt anchor buckle

Identification of any warning that can occur:

Difficulty buckling the seatbelt anchor buckle

Component Manufacturer

Tier of Supplier: Tier 1

Supplier Type: OEM

Name: Samsong Mexico

Address: 1805-1 Ethel Valdez De Ramon,
COL. Parque Industrial Amistad
Ramos Arizpe, Coahuila Foreign States, 25908

Country: Mexico

Involved Components

Component Name 1: BUCKLE ASSY-RR S/BELT, RH

Component Description: (K4) Rear Seatbelt Buckle Assembly, RH

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Component Part Number: 898K0-GG000

Component Name 2: 3RD SEAT BUCKLE, LH

Component Description: (Telluride) 3rd Row Seat Anchor Buckle, LH

Component Part Number: 898J3-P8500

Chronology

See attached document titled “2026MY K4 Hatchback and 2027MY Telluride Rear Center Seatbelt Anchor Buckle Chronology”

Related NHTSA Recall Number:

Description of Remedy

Remedy Type: Inspect, Replace

Consumer Advisories: ☐ Do Not Drive ☐ Park Outside

Description of remedy program:

All owners of the subject vehicles will be notified by first- class mail with instructions to bring their vehicles to a Kia dealer. Dealers will inspect and if necessary, replace the anchor buckle assembly. Kia will reimburse owners for repair expenses already incurred pursuant to Kia’s General Reimbursement Plan filed May 1, 2024.

How remedy component differs from recalled component:

The remedy component contains a properly manufactured rear center seatbelt anchor buckle.

Identify how/when recall condition was corrected in production:

2026MY K4 Hatchback vehicles produced beginning on 2/24/2026 and 2027MY Telluride vehicles produced beginning on 2/20/2026 are equipped with properly manufactured rear center seatbelt anchor buckles.

Reimbursement Plan

Manufacturer used general reimbursement plan on file.

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Recall Schedule

Description of recall schedule:

The planned dealer notification begin and end date is March 9, 2026. The planned owner notification begin and end date is May 5, 2026.

Planned Dealer Notification Date: Mar 09, 2026 - Mar 09, 2026 ☐ No Dealers

Planned Interim Owner Notification Date: ☐ No Owners

Planned Remedy Owner Notification Date: May 05, 2026 - May 05, 2026 ☐ Phased Recall

Date when VIN will be searchable: Mar 20, 2026