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Part 573 Safety Recall Report

26V155

Manufacturer Name: Ford Motor Company

Submission Date: Mar 17, 2026

NHTSA Recall No.: 26V155

Manufacturer Recall No.: 26C17

Manufacturer Information

Population

Manufacturer Name: Ford Motor Company

Address: 20000 Rotunda Drive
Mezzanine
Dearborn MI, 48124

Total number of potentially involved: 2,422

Estimated percentage with defect: 10%

Vehicle Information

Vehicle 1: 2025-2026 Ford F59 Commercial Stripped

Product Category: Buses, Medium & Heavy Vehicles

Product Type: Other

Fuel / Propulsion:

Production Dates: May 19, 2025 - Jan 09, 2026

Number of potentially involved: 1,748

Descriptive Information:

Ford's team reviewed plant records to determine the population of affected vehicles. Affected F59 vehicles are equipped with Hydroboost brake systems which may cause an incomplete brake pedal return and were produced between May 19, 2025, and January 9, 2026.

These vehicles are not produced in VIN order. Information as to the applicability of this action to specific vehicles can best be obtained by either calling Ford's toll-free line (1-866-436-7332) or by contacting a local Ford or Lincoln dealer who can obtain specific information regarding the vehicles from the Ford On-line Automotive Service Information System (OASIS) database.

1,654 2025 model year Ford F59 Commercial Stripped Chassis vehicles are affected.

94 2026 model year Ford F59 Commercial Stripped Chassis vehicles are affected.

Vehicle 2: 2025-2026 Ford F53 Recreational Stripped

Product Category: Buses, Medium & Heavy Vehicles

Product Type: Recreational Vehicle

Fuel / Propulsion:

Production Dates: May 21, 2025 - Jan 07, 2026

Number of potentially involved: 674

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Descriptive Information:

Ford's team reviewed plant records to determine the population of affected vehicles. Affected F53 vehicles are equipped with Hydroboost brake systems which may cause an incomplete brake pedal return and were produced between May 21, 2025, and January 7, 2026.

These vehicles are not produced in VIN order. Information as to the applicability of this action to specific vehicles can best be obtained by either calling Ford's toll-free line (1-866-436-7332) or by contacting a local Ford or Lincoln dealer who can obtain specific information regarding the vehicles from the Ford On-line Automotive Service Information System (OASIS) database.

661 2025 model year Ford F53 Recreational Stripped Chassis vehicles are affected.

13 2026 model year Ford F53 Recreational Stripped Chassis vehicles are affected.

Defect / Noncompliance Description

Description of the defect or noncompliance:

Under certain circumstances, the brake lamps may remain illuminated when the driver is not applying the brakes. This condition represents a noncompliance for FMVSS 108 (Lamps, Reflective Devices, and Associated Equipment), as unintended illumination may impair the effectiveness of the stop lamps.

FMVSS1: 108 - Lamps, reflective devices, and assoc. Equipment

FMVSS2:

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

Unintended illumination of the stop lamps may impair their effectiveness and increase the risk of crash.

Description of the cause:

Variations in the ball crimp formation can cause excessive friction at the interface between the brake booster push rod and the reaction piston. This internal friction may result in an incomplete brake pedal return and the brake on-off lamp switch state to remain "on." In this position, there is no measurable torque applied to the brakes; however, the stop lamps may remain illuminated until the brake pedal is fully returned.

Identification of any warning that can occur:

A driver may observe a "brake applied, power reduced" message on their cluster and a speed limitation if conditions are met to apply the Brake Over Accelerator safety feature. This message may appear even though the brakes are not actually applied, due to the incomplete pedal return.

Component Manufacturer

Tier of Supplier: Tier 1

Supplier Type: OEM

Name: Bosch

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Address: 3737 Red Arrow Highway
St. Joseph MI, 49085-9208

Country: United States

Involved Components

Component Name 1: Hydroboost

Component Description: Hydraulic Brake Booster

Component Part Number: LU94-2B560-AA

Component Name 2: Hydroboost

Component Description: Hydraulic Brake Booster

Component Part Number: LU94-2B560-AB

Chronology

On **January 22, 2026**, Ford's Critical Concern Review Group (CCRG) reviewed reports from a post-build vehicle upfitter of incomplete brake pedal return resulting in unintended stop lamp illumination on 2025 model year F53 and F59 stripped chassis trucks. Vehicle testing conducted by Ford and the brake booster supplier determined that the brake on-off lamp switch state in affected vehicles was remaining "on" after brake application, even when force was no longer applied to the brake pedal, due to incomplete return of the brake pedal. Subsequent part analysis indicated the presence of excessive internal friction at the push rod ball joint within the reaction piston socket, causing the brake pedal's incomplete return to its non-depressed position and keeping the lamp switch state "on" when the brakes were not activated. A push rod articulation process to alleviate this internal friction was implemented at the brake booster supplier in December 2025.

In **February 2026**, the CCRG reviewed supplier manufacturing records and identified a change to crimp knife tooling at the brake booster push rod ball crimping station on May 19, 2025. A change in crimp tooling has the potential to introduce variations which may cause increased internal friction within the brake booster system.

In **March 2026**, the CCRG reviewed Detroit Chassis Plant (DCP) records and determined that 2,481 vehicles were produced after the supplier crimp knife tooling change and before DCP vehicle production began using pre-articulated parts from the supplier on January 9, 2026. Of these 2,481 vehicles, 2,422 were sold in the United States.

The CCRG reviewed Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 108 Lamps, reflective devices, and associated equipment, specifically Section S7.3.5, Table I-a, which specifies that stop lamps must be activated upon application of the service brakes. The CCRG determined that unrepairs units with this condition may be susceptible to brake lights remaining illuminated when not activated, which is not in compliance with FMVSS 108 Table I-a.

As of **March 10, 2026**, Ford is aware of 41 warranty claims and 16 field reports related to this concern, received between August 24, 2024, and March 4, 2026, and representing a total of 42 VINs.

On **March 10, 2026**, Ford's Field Review Committee reviewed the concern and approved a field action.

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Ford is not aware of any reports of accident or injury related to this condition.

Related NHTSA Recall Number:

Description of Remedy

Remedy Type: Inspect, Repair

Consumer Advisories: Do Not Drive Park Outside

Description of remedy program:

Owners will be notified by mail and instructed to take their vehicle to a Ford or Lincoln dealer to have their brake pedal inspected for incomplete return. On vehicles exhibiting an incomplete pedal return, technicians will follow service instructions to articulate the brake booster push rod to relieve the underlying internal friction. There will be no charge for this service.

How remedy component differs from recalled component:

Brake boosters on remedied vehicles will be adjusted to prevent incomplete brake pedal return or unintended stop lamp illumination.

Identify how/when recall condition was corrected in production:

Not required per 49 Part 573.

Reimbursement Plan

Manufacturer used general reimbursement plan on file.

Recall Schedule**Description of recall schedule:**

Notification to dealers is expected to occur on March 20, 2026. Mailing of remedy owner notification letters is expected to begin March 23, 2026 and is expected to be completed by March 27, 2026. The date VINs are planned to be searchable is March 20, 2026.

Planned Dealer Notification Date: Mar 20, 2026 - Mar 20, 2026 No Dealers

Planned Interim Owner Notification Date: No Owners

Planned Remedy Owner Notification Date: Mar 23, 2026 - Mar 27, 2026 Phased Recall

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Date when VIN will be searchable: Mar 20, 2026