



U.S. Department
of Transportation

National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

26V258

Manufacturer Name: Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.

Submission Date: Apr 22, 2026

NHTSA Recall No.: 26V258

Manufacturer Recall No.: 97TH

Manufacturer Information

Population

Manufacturer Name: Volkswagen Group of
America, Inc.
Address: 3800 Hamlin Road
Auburn Hills MI, 48326

Total number of potentially involved: 38,710
Estimated percentage with defect: 100%

Vehicle Information

Vehicle 1: 2025-2026 VOLKSWAGEN TAOS

Product Category: Light Vehicles

Product Type:

Fuel / Propulsion: Spark Ignition Fuel

Production Dates: Jul 29, 2024 - Apr 14, 2026

Number of potentially involved: 38,710

Descriptive Information:

The recall population was determined through review of manufacturing records.

The recalled products differ from products that were not included in the recall because the recalled products were manufactured with a fuel tank pressure sensor wiring harness that, due to its length, may lead to the sensor being pulled out of position during a severe rear-end crash.

Defect / Noncompliance Description

Description of the defect or noncompliance:

In the event of a severe rear-end collision, tension in the wiring harness may cause the fuel pressure sensor located on top of the fuel tank to become dislodged or separate from the fuel tank. If this happens, fuel will leak from the tank in the event of a subsequent vehicle rollover.

FMVSS1: 301 - Fuel system integrity

FMVSS2:

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

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Leaking fuel in the presence of an ignition source could result in a fire.

Description of the cause:

A new fuel tank pressure sensor wiring harness that was too short was implemented in the 2025 model year Volkswagen Taos.

Identification of any warning that can occur:

NONE

Component Manufacturer

Tier of Supplier:

Supplier Type:

Name: Volkswagen de Mexico

Address: Km. 116 Autopista Mexico.Puebla
Puebla Foreign States, 72700

Country: Mexico

Involved Components

Component Name 1: Fuel tank pressure sensor wiring harness

Component Description: Fuel tank pressure sensor wiring harness

Component Part Number: 2GJ.972.275

Chronology

March 03, 2026: Transport Canada conducted a rear crash test on a 2025 model year Volkswagen Taos AWD according to CMVSS No. 301 (which aligns with FMVSS No. 301).

March 06, 2026: Transport Canada informed Volkswagen Group of America about the test failure.

March 06-09, 2026: Analysis performed by the company to further investigate the issue indicated potential root cause related to sensor movement and wire tension. It was determined that additional inspection and analysis should be done to confirm the hypothesis.

March 24, 2026: Volkswagen inspected the tested vehicle at Transport Canada's test contractor's facilities.

March 25, 2026: Additional internal testing according to FMVSS No. 301 was conducted by Volkswagen.

April 6-14, 2026: After review of the test results by the responsible departments, the North America Region Product Safety Committee reviewed the topic and escalated it for presentation and review by the Volkswagen Brand Product Safety Committee.

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April 15, 2026: Topic was presented at Volkswagen Brand Product Safety Committee and it decided on a non-compliance recall.

Volkswagen is not aware of any crashes, fires, injuries, or deaths associated with this issue.

Volkswagen is not aware of any warranty claims relating to this issue.

Related NHTSA Recall Number:

Description of Remedy

Remedy Type: Repair

Consumer Advisories: Do Not Drive Park Outside

Description of remedy program:

At no cost to owners, dealers will install an 80 mm wiring harness extension to the existing affected wiring harness. This extension is intended to reduce tension on the fuel pressure sensor in the event of a severe rear-end collision. A reimbursement plan will not be offered under this recall because the affected vehicles are within the New Vehicle Limited Warranty period.

How remedy component differs from recalled component:

The recall remedy component can be distinguished from the recalled component because it is a longer harness that ensures compliance with regulatory requirements.

Identify how/when recall condition was corrected in production:

Implementation of longer (+80mm) fuel sensor wiring harness planned for when production is set to resume in CW 20/2026.

Reimbursement Plan

Description of reimbursement program:

A reimbursement plan will not be offered under this recall because the affected vehicles are within the New Vehicle Limited Warranty period.

Period of reimbursement:

Costs to be reimbursed:

Address for reimbursement claims:

Recall Schedule

Part 573 Safety Recall Report**26V258****Description of recall schedule:**

Planned Dealer Notification Begin Date: 04/29/2026
Planned Dealer Notification End Date: 04/29/2026
Planned Owner Notification Begin Date: On or before 06/19/2026
Planned Owner Notification End Date: On or before 06/19/2026

Planned Dealer Notification Date: Apr 29, 2026 - Apr 29, 2026 No Dealers

Planned Interim Owner Notification Date: No Owners

Planned Remedy Owner Notification Date: Jun 19, 2026 - Jun 19, 2026 Phased Recall

Date when VIN will be searchable: Apr 29, 2026