



U.S. Department
of Transportation

National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

26V588

Manufacturer Name: Hyundai Motor America

Submission Date: Sep 16, 2026

NHTSA Recall No.: 26V588

Manufacturer Recall No.: 307

Manufacturer Information

Population

Manufacturer Name: Hyundai Motor America

Address: 10550 Talbert Avenue
Fountain Valley CA, 92708

Total number of potentially involved: 5,360

Estimated percentage with defect: 100%

Vehicle Information

Vehicle 1: 2026-2026 HYUNDAI IONIQ 9

Product Category: Light Vehicles

Product Type: Multipurpose Passenger Vehicle

Fuel / Propulsion: Electric Battery Power

Production Dates: Mar 17, 2025 - May 04, 2026

Number of potentially involved: 5,360

Descriptive Information:

The subject vehicles include certain model year 2026 Hyundai IONIQ 9 vehicles equipped with Limited, Calligraphy, or Calligraphy Design trim packages. These vehicles were assembled on the specified production dates by Hyundai Motor Group Metaplant America ("HMGMA") for sale in the U.S.

Defect / Noncompliance Description

Description of the defect or noncompliance:

The 2nd row power seat assemblies equipped in the subject vehicles may not respond to contact with an occupant or object as intended during activation of certain powered seat functions, including the automatic power-folding (stow) function.

FMVSS1:

FMVSS2:

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

If contact with an occupant or object occurs without recognition during operation of these powered seat functions, there may be an increased risk of injury.

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Description of the cause:

In certain situations, the current 2nd row power seat logic may not detect contact with an occupant or object as intended.

Identification of any warning that can occur:

The 2nd row seat power functions require activation by the operator using the seat control switches.

Component Manufacturer

Tier of Supplier: Tier 2

Supplier Type: OEM

Name: TSA

Address: 239, Yurim-ro
Cheoin-gu, Yongin-si
Gyeonggi-do Foreign States

Country: Korea, Republic Of

Involved Components

Component Name 1: 2nd POWER SEAT UNIT, LH

Component Description: 2nd Row Power Seat Unit, Left

Component Part Number: 891P8-TD000

Component Name 2: 2nd POWER SEAT UNIT, RH

Component Description: 2nd Row Power Seat Unit, Right

Component Part Number: 892P8-TD000

Chronology

March – June 2026

- March 10, 2026 – The Hyundai North America Safety Office ("NASO") received preliminary cross-model benchmarking results from its Safety Testing & Investigation Laboratory ("STIL") on the performance of 2nd and 3rd row seat automatic power-folding function.
- March 26, 2026 – April 2, 2026 – NASO, STIL, and an independent third-party engineering firm met to review benchmarking results and discuss additional testing activities to further evaluate seat operation characteristics.

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- April 22, 2026 – NASO and the third-party engineering firm conducted subjective evaluations of seat operation across multiple vehicle models. The engineering firm began to develop biomechanical test methodologies and limits to assess anti-pinch performance.
- May 28, 2026 – June 3, 2026 – NASO and the third-party engineering firm reviewed preliminary biomechanical test results and agreed to develop a dedicated test device to support objective evaluation.

July - August 2026

- July 8 through July 10, 2026 – The third-party engineering firm completed development of the test fixture and initiated preliminary validation.
- August 4 through August 6, 2026 – Initial fixture benchmark testing was completed at the STIL across multiple vehicle models to compare seat operating characteristics and force measurements.
- August 14, 2026 – NHTSA's Office of Defects Investigation (“ODI”) met with NASO to review the investigation background, test methodology, and current status of the testing activities. The test results indicated force measurements during operation of certain second-row power folding/stow seat systems were above the limits established by NASO and the third-party engineering firm, while third-row seat systems tested below.

September 2, 2026

- Based on the investigation and test findings by the STIL and the third-party engineering firm regarding 2nd row seat power-stowing performance, NASO convened its NASDA and decided to conduct a safety recall for the affected model year 2026 Hyundai IONIQ 9 vehicles in the U.S. market.
- As of the date of this decision, Hyundai is aware of five (5) consumer complaints of the defect condition, including two (2) alleged minor injuries, involving the subject vehicles in the U.S. There are no crashes or fires related to this condition in the U.S.

VIN(s)	Date(s)
7YAMWFS5XTY*****	6/4/2025
7YAMWFS57TY*****	2/13/2026
7YAMYFS50TY*****	3/17/2026
7YAMWFS52TY*****	5/29/2026
7YAMYFS52TY*****	8/3/2026

Related NHTSA Recall Number:

Description of Remedy

Remedy Type: Inspect, Software, Software OTA

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Consumer Advisories: ☐ Do Not Drive ☐ Park Outside

Description of remedy program:

Prior to receiving the recall remedy, HMA urges affected owners to exercise caution when operating the 2nd row power-folding seat functions, to ensure that occupants, especially children, are not in the seat or seat-folding area during operation. All owners of the subject vehicles will be notified via first class mail with instructions to bring their vehicles to a Hyundai dealer, where technicians will inspect the Seat Controller software version and update the logic for the rear power seat functions. Additionally, Hyundai will provide "over-the-air" ("OTA") software updates, when available, for all eligible vehicles where owners have opted in to receive updates via Hyundai Bluelink. This remedy will be offered at no cost to owners for all affected vehicles, regardless of whether the affected vehicles are still covered under Hyundai's New Vehicle Limited Warranty. Hyundai will provide owners of affected vehicles reimbursement for out-of-pocket expenses incurred to obtain a remedy for the recall condition in accordance with the reimbursement plan submitted to NHTSA on March 2, 2026.

How remedy component differs from recalled component:

The remedy seat control software contains revised logic for the rear power seat system anti-pinch protection.

Identify how/when recall condition was corrected in production:

Seat Control Software was implemented as a production change on September 3, 2026.

Reimbursement Plan

Manufacturer used general reimbursement plan on file.

Recall Schedule

Description of recall schedule:

Dealers will be notified electronically by the specified dates.
Owners will be notified via certified mail by the specified dates.

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

Planned Interim Owner Notification Date: ☐ No Owners

Planned Remedy Owner Notification Date: Nov 09, 2026 - Nov 09, 2026 ☐ Phased Recall

Date when VIN will be searchable: Sep 12, 2026