U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Safety Recall Report 26V732

Manufacturer Name: Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.
Submission Date: Nov 04, 2026
NHTSA Recall No.: 26V732
Manufacturer Recall No.: 74iF

Manufacturer Information

Manufacturer Name: Volkswagen Group of America, Inc.

Address: 3800 Hamlin Road
Auburn Hills MI, 48326

Population

Total number of potentially involved: 3,914

Estimated percentage with defect: 100%

Vehicle Information

Vehicle 1: 2027-2027 VOLKSWAGEN ATLAS

Product Category: Light Vehicles

Product Type:

Fuel / Propulsion:

Production Dates: Jul 07, 2026 - Oct 21, 2026

Number of potentially involved: 3,914

Descriptive Information:

The recall population was determined by production records.

The recalled products differ from products that were not included in the recall because they were manufactured with the lower anchorage mounting points for child restraint systems (CRS) for the second-row center seat with seams around the mounting points that are approximately 60% closed, and thus, are noncompliant with FMVSS No. 225.

Defect / Noncompliance Description

Description of the defect or noncompliance:

The ISOFIX/LATCH anchor openings for securing a child restraint system in the second-row center seat are partially obstructed by surrounding stitching, potentially preventing a child restraint system from being properly installed or secured in a manner that complies with FMVSS No. 225, Child Restraint Anchorage Systems.

FMVSS1: 225 - Child restraint anchorage systems

FMVSS2:

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

Improper installation or securement of a child restraint system may reduce occupant protection and increase the risk of injury to a child in the event of a crash.

Description of the cause:

The lower anchorage mounting points for a CRS in the second-row center seat are partially obstructed by surrounding stitching, potentially preventing a CRS from being properly installed or secured in a manner that complies with FMVSS No. 225.

Identification of any warning that can occur:

Until the recall remedy has been completed, owners are advised: do not use the second-row center seat to secure a child restraint system using the ISOFIX/LATCH anchorages. If a child restraint system must be installed in that seating position, use the vehicle's seat belt in accordance with the child restraint manufacturer's instructions, or install the child restraint system in another seating position equipped with properly functioning ISOFIX/LATCH anchorages.

Component Manufacturer

Tier of Supplier:

Supplier Type:

Name: Bader de Mexico, S.A. de C.V

Address: Rita Pérez de Moreno #2030
Lagos de Moreno Foreign States, 47515

Country: Mexico

Involved Components

Component Name 1: Backrest trim

Component Description: Seat cover

Component Part Number: 3CR.885.805.*

Chronology

October 08, 2026: During third-party testing, Volkswagen was notified that the lower anchorage mounting points for CRS on the second-row center seat could not be readily accessed. Volkswagen began investigating the matter in conjunction with its seating supplier.

October 13, 2026: Initial internal testing indicated that seat stitching around the subject mounting points differed from design drawings and impeded proper testing according to the FMVSS No. 225 test procedure using the SFAD 2 device specified in the regulation. Additional testing with different stitching configurations was planned.

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October 16, 2026: Volkswagen tested the subject mounting points using the SFAD 2 device after the seat stitching had been adjusted to its proper specification and indicated that the vehicle could be tested and comply with FMVSS No. 225 in this configuration. The topic and testing results were finalized and prepared for presentation to the Volkswagen Brand Product Safety Committee.

October 28, 2026: The topic was presented at the Volkswagen Brand Product Safety Committee where the committee decided a noncompliance recall.

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

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, authorized dealers will rework the seams around the affected mounting points.

How remedy component differs from recalled component:

The non-recalled vehicles can be distinguished from the recalled vehicles because the seams around the affected mounting points are open to the proper specification.

Identify how/when recall condition was corrected in production:

The seams around the affected mounting points are open to the proper specification.

Reimbursement Plan

Recall Schedule

Description of recall schedule:

Planned Dealer Notification Begin Date: On or before November 10, 2026
Planned Dealer Notification End Date: On or before November 10, 2026
Planned REMEDY AVAILABLE Owner Notification Begin Date: On or before January 03, 2027
Planned REMEDY AVAILABLE Owner Notification End Date: On or before January 03, 2027

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Planned Dealer Notification Date: Nov 10, 2026 - Nov 10, 2026

☐ No Dealers

Planned Interim Owner Notification Date:

☐ No Owners

Planned Remedy Owner Notification Date: Jan 03, 2027 - Jan 03, 2027

☐ Phased Recall

Date when VIN will be searchable: Nov 10, 2026