

Subarunet Announcement

To: All Subaru Retailers

From: Subaru of America, Inc.

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New Non-Compliance Recall/Stop Sale: WRH-26 Certification Label Non-Compliance

Subaru of America, Inc. (Subaru) has initiated a non-compliance recall for certain 2026 model year Crosstrek Hybrid vehicles, 2025-2026 model year Forester & Forester Hybrid vehicles, and 2019-2026 Ascent vehicles due to incorrect information listed on the certification label.

Description of the Non-Compliance and Safety Risk

The affected vehicles were manufactured with an incorrectly stated GAWR on the Part 567 certification label. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) 110 "Tire selection and rims and motor home/recreation vehicle trailer load carrying capacity information for motor vehicles with a GVWR of 4,536 kilograms (10,000 pounds) or less".

An incorrectly stated GAWR may lead to vehicle overloading, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy

The remedy will include a corrective certification label overlay to be installed over the existing one. For all potentially affected vehicles, Subaru will mail a corrective certification label overlay to owners, including instructions on how to apply the label to their vehicle. Owners can also choose to have the label affixed by their preferred retailer, free of charge. Corrective certification label overlays will also be made available to retailers for in stock, SLP and other potential requirements.

Affected Vehicles

A total of 540,450 U.S. vehicles will be affected by this recall, as listed below. Not all vehicles in the production range listed are affected by this recall. Coverage must be confirmed by using the Vehicle Coverage Inquiry function on subarunet.com prior to repair.

Model Year	Carline	Production Date Range
2026	Crosstrek Hybrid	June 26, 2025 – June 12, 2026
2025-2026	Forester	January 26, 2024 – June 11, 2026
2025-2026	Forester Hybrid	November 28, 2024 – June 15, 2026
2019-2026	Ascent	March 19, 2018 – June 11, 2026

Retailer Responsibility

Please be advised that it is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle covered by a recall under a sale or lease until the defect is remedied. Therefore, any Authorized Subaru Retailer failing to perform the applicable service procedures to correct all affected vehicles in their inventory prior to the vehicle being placed in service may be subject to civil penalties of up to \$27,874 per violation (i.e., for each vehicle), as provided in 49 CFR §578.6 and will also be in breach of the Subaru Dealer Agreement.

Any vehicles listed in any recall/campaign that are in retailer stock must be:

- Immediately identified
- Tagged or otherwise marked to prevent their delivery or use prior to repair
- Repaired in accordance with the repair procedures outlined in the Product Campaign Bulletin, once the parts become available

Until the recall remedy parts are available, this recall cannot be performed. If an affected vehicle is in for service, please inform the owner that their vehicle is affected by this recall and that remedy parts are not yet available. Owners will be mailed a corrective certification label overlay, including instructions on how to apply the label to their vehicle. Owners can also choose to have the label affixed by their preferred retailer, free of charge.

Service, Parts, and Claim Instructions

As previously stated above, remedy parts are not yet available. Detailed service, parts, and claim information will be forthcoming.

Owner Notification

Subaru will notify affected vehicle owners by first class mail within 60 days. Retailers will be advised when owner notification is scheduled.