

September 2026

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL 26510

Interim Notice

NHTSA RECALL NO. 26V459

This notice applies to your vehicle identified on the enclosed card.

Dear International Customer,

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

International Motors, LLC* has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain 2021 and 2023 thru 2027 International® MV™ Series trucks built 09/21/2020 thru 06/16/2026 and 2026 thru 2027 International® HV™ Series trucks built 07/02/2025 thru 06/16/2026, with the following unique configurations (feature codes):

- MV™ models with 25-inch Battery Box (0008VUW or 0008VUX or 0008VUY or 0008VVG or 0008VVH or 0008XKA)
 - with 2 Battery System (0008MJP or 0008MJT or 0008MVY or 0008MWG) and **one or more** of the following combinations:
 - Battery Disconnect Switch (0008RMH or 0008XHD)
 - Jump Start Stud (0008WBW)
 - PDM Power (0508093)
 - Lift Gate (0008VBA)
- MV™ models with 25-inch Battery Box (0008VUW or 0008VUX or 0008VUY or 0008VVG or 0008VVH or 0008XKA)
 - with 3 Battery System (0008MJU or 0008MMG or 0008MRR or 0008MSG or 0008MSL or 0008MWE or 0008MWL or 0008NBR) and **one or more** of the following combinations:
 - Battery Disconnect Switch (0008RMH or 0008XHD)
 - Jump Start Stud (0008WBW)
 - PDM Power (0508093)
 - Not with Lift Gate (0008VBA)
- HV™ models with 25-inch Battery Box (0008VTJ or 0008VUW or 0008VVG), without Sealed Battery Terminals (0008875).

REASON FOR THIS RECALL

Manufacturing variation can allow for contact between the battery interconnect cable with auxiliary stud and hold-down bracket.

RISK TO MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY

When contact between these components occurs, a short circuit can develop which may generate excessive heat, which can result in a fire, increasing the risk of property damage or personal injury.

DEFECT REMEDY

You may already have been contacted about a similar Safety Recall 25513 (NHTSA 25V-534) in 2025. Any vehicle remedied under that

recall will require this recall remedy to be performed. Safety Recall 25513 will be discontinued. Vehicles that have not yet received the remedy for Safety Recall 25513 will be covered under Safety Recall 26510.

A final remedy has been determined. Parts are on order, but availability is currently unknown. When parts for the final remedy become available, you will be notified of additional actions you should take.

ACTIONS YOU SHOULD TAKE IN THE INTERIM

Until the remedy can be performed, vehicle owners are advised to park their vehicles outdoors.

To minimize the potential occurrence of this defect in the interim period, inspect for clearance between the positive battery interconnect cable terminals and the battery hold-down. Instructions are included with this letter.

If you do not wish to perform this procedure yourself, you can schedule an appointment with any International® dealer to have the interim repair performed on your vehicle. The interim repair will involve inspecting for the necessary clearance between the terminal and battery hold-down. The repair will be performed free of charge and take approximately 30 minutes to 1 hour to complete. You can find your nearest dealer by using the dealer locator at <https://www.internationaltrucks.com/dealer-locator> or by calling 1-800-448-7825.

If you are the lessor of this vehicle, please forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days to comply with federal regulations.

If you do not own this vehicle, please fill out and return mail the enclosed card so that you will not be contacted again about this recall.

IF YOU NEED FURTHER ASSISTANCE

Refer to the Owner Assistance Guide section in your Owner's Manual or call toll-free 1-800-448-7825.

International Motors, LLC requests your prompt attention and patience regarding the correction of this defect and apologizes for any inconvenience this may cause you.

INTERIM SERVICE PROCEDURE

WARNING! To prevent personal injury and / or death, or damage to property, park vehicle on hard flat surface, turn engine off, set parking brake and install wheel chocks to prevent the vehicle from moving in either direction.

WARNING! To prevent personal injury and / or death, always wear safe eye protection when performing vehicle maintenance.

WARNING! To prevent personal injury and / or death, or damage to property, allow engine / vehicle components to cool before servicing.

WARNING! To prevent personal injury and / or death, or damage to property, keep flames or sparks away from vehicle and do not smoke while servicing the vehicle's batteries. Batteries expel explosive gases.

1. Park vehicle on flat surface, shift transmission to Park or Neutral, set parking brake, and turn vehicle ignition to Key OFF position.
2. Install wheel chocks.
3. Unlatch and remove battery box cover.

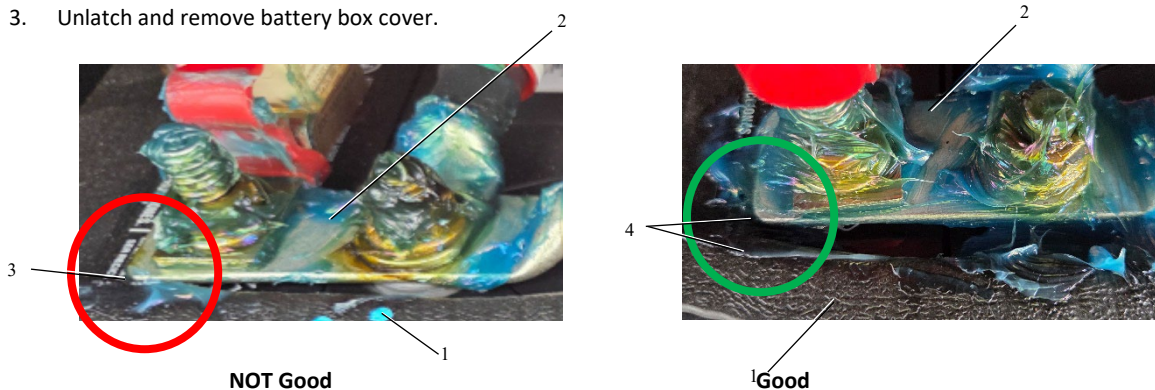


Figure 1. Overview of Interconnect Cable

1. Positive battery Interconnect Cable
 2. Battery hold-down (with or without windlace)
 3. Interconnect terminal touching battery hold down – No Clearance
 4. Interconnect terminal not touching battery hold down – Proper Clearance
4. Refer to Figure 1 to verify clearance between battery interconnect terminals and battery hold-down.
 - a. Your vehicle may or may not have rubber windlace on the battery hold-down as indicated in the picture. At this time there is no need to remove or install the rubber windlace.
 - b. It may be necessary to remove a small amount of grease to verify the clearance. It is not necessary to remove all the grease or replace the grease.



Figure 2. Battery Positioning (Interconnect not pictured)

1. Battery hold-down
2. J-Bolt (hold-down nuts)

5. If there is contact between the battery interconnect terminal and the battery hold-down, it is recommended to do the following.
 - a. Loosen nuts on positive interconnects.
 - b. Loosen nuts on battery hold-down J-bolt nuts. (see Figure 2, Item 2)
 - c. Slide batteries apart. This will straighten the battery interconnect to provide the required clearance.
 - d. Verify clearance (no contact) between terminal and battery hold-down.
 - e. Hold interconnect cable in place and tighten battery hold-down nuts to 44-54 lb-in (5-6.2) N·m and positive battery nut to 12-15 lb-ft (16-20 N·m).
6. Install battery box cover.
7. Remove wheel chocks.