

Seat Cover Replacement for Side Airbag Equipped Vehicles

Service Category General

Section Outline-General

Market USA

Toyota Supports
 ASE Certification 

Applicability

YEAR(S)	MODEL(S)	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
1998 – 2014	4Runner, Avalon, Camry, Camry HV, Celica, Corolla, Echo, FJ Cruiser, Highlander, Highlander HV, Land Cruiser, MR2 Spyder, Matrix, Prius, Prius C, Prius PHV, Prius V, RAV4, Sequoia, Sienna, Solara, Supra, T100, Tacoma, Tercel, Tundra, Venza, Yaris	

REVISION NOTICE

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- Applicability has been updated to include 2013 and 2014 model year vehicles.

Any previous printed versions of this bulletin should be discarded.

SUPERSESION NOTICE

The information contained in this bulletin supersedes SB No. BO014-05.

- Applicability has been updated to include 2012 model year vehicles.

Service Bulletin No. BO014-05 is Obsolete and any printed versions should be discarded. Be sure to review the entire content of this bulletin before proceeding.

Introduction

Beginning in 1998, Toyota introduced side airbags as optional equipment.

Toyota does NOT recommend replacement of original seat covers with non-Toyota leather or other seat cover materials on vehicles due to the following:

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- Seat covers NOT recommended by Toyota may affect side airbag performance, in general or in part, during an accident.
- Modifications that negatively affect side airbag performance can result in severe occupant injuries.
- Seat covers are an integral part of this safety system. Replacing fabric seat covers with non-Toyota leather or other seat cover materials may compromise the effectiveness of this safety system.
- The design of the seat is complex, integrating safety and strength with comfort and luxury.

NOTE

Toyota original seat covers that were NOT designed for side airbag equipped seats cannot be used due to the effect on proper airbag performance.

Toyota strongly discourages modifying original equipment seats that have optional side airbags.

Additionally, Toyota strongly advises against the installation or use of aftermarket seat covers, which could impair the performance of the side airbags in the event of an accident.

Warranty Information

OP CODE	DESCRIPTION	TIME	OFF	T1	T2
N/A	Not Applicable to Warranty	–	–	–	–