


Seat Cover Replacement for Side Airbag Equipped Vehicles

Service Category Vehicle Interior

Section Seat

Market USA

Lexus Supports
ASE Certification 

Applicability

YEAR(S)	MODEL(S)	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
1998 – 2014	CT200H, ES300, ES330, ES350, GS300, GS350, GS400, GS430, GS450H, GS460, GX460, GX470, HS250H, IS F, IS250, IS250C, IS300, IS350, IS350C, LFA, LS400, LS430, LS460, LS600H, LX470, LX570, RX300, RX330, RX350, RX400H, RX450H, SC300, SC400, SC430	

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.

Introduction

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

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

- Seat covers NOT recommended by Lexus 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.

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- Seat covers are an integral part of this safety system. Replacing fabric seat covers with non-Lexus 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

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

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

Additionally, Lexus 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	OFP	T1	T2
N/A	Not Applicable to Warranty	–	–	–	–