

# Second Row Seat Squeak

Service Category Vehicle Interior

Section Seat

Market USA

Toyota Supports ASE Certification

## Applicability

YEAR(S)	MODEL(S)	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
2010 – 2013	4Runner	

## Introduction

Some 2010 – 2013 model year 4Runner vehicles may exhibit a squeak noise coming from the second row seats when driving over uneven terrain.

The bracket for the inside hinge of the 60% second row seat may rub the seat frame. Follow the procedure outlined below to address this condition.



## Production Change Information

MODEL	DRIVETRAIN	PRODUCTION CHANGE EFFECTIVE VIN
4Runner	2WD	JTEZU5JR#D5060907
	4WD	JTEBU5JR#D5142942

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### Warranty Information

OP CODE	DESCRIPTION	TIME	OFF	T1	T2
BD1403	Insulate Rear Seat Bracket	0.6	72731-60010	91	57

#### APPLICABLE WARRANTY

- This repair is covered under the Toyota Basic Warranty. This warranty is in effect for 36 months or 36,000 miles, whichever occurs first, from the vehicle's in-service date.
- Warranty application is limited to occurrence of the specified condition described in this bulletin.

### Parts Information

PART NUMBER	PART NAME	QTY
08231-00801	Interior Noise Kit	1

### Required Tools & Equipment

SPECIAL SERVICE TOOLS (SST)	PART NUMBER	QTY
Plastic Pry Tool Kit*	<a href="#">00002-06020-01</a>	1

REQUIRED TOOLS & MATERIAL	QUANTITY
T45 TORX® Socket Wrench	1

\* Essential SST.

#### NOTE

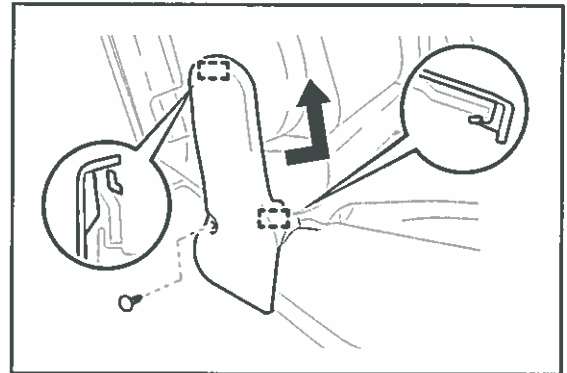
Additional SSTs may be ordered by calling 1-800-933-8335.

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### Repair Procedure

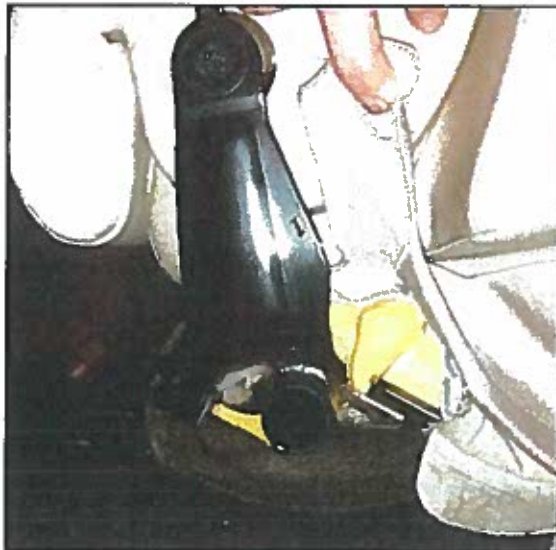
1. Test drive the vehicle for a noise from the 2nd row inner bracket for the 60% seat.
2. Remove the center seat hinge cover.

**Figure 1.**



3. Confirm that a noise is being generated by two surfaces rubbing, as shown below.

**Figure 2. Approximate Vantage Point (Reposition Foam to Access View)**



**Figure 3. Up-Close View**



4. Remove the 60% second row seat.

Refer to the Technical Information System (TIS), applicable model and model year Repair Manual:

- 2010 / 2011 / 2012 / 2013 4Runner:  
*Vehicle Interior – Seat – “Seat: Rear No. 1 Seat Assembly (for 60/40 Split Slide Walk-in Seat Type LH Side): Removal”*

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### Repair Procedure (Continued)

5. Position the seat as shown to access the Rear Seat Reclining Bracket.

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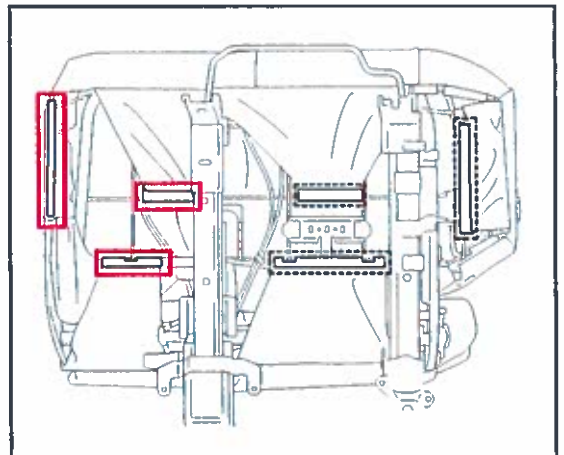
Be sure to protect the seat during service by utilizing a clean/covered work surface.

**Figure 4.**



6. Partially remove the rear seatback lower cushion cover at the locations shown.

**Figure 5.**



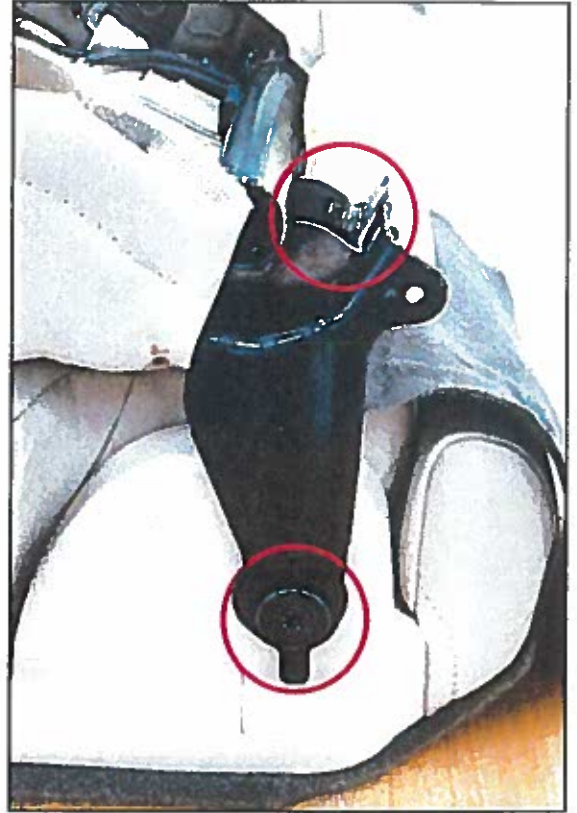
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### Repair Procedure (Continued)

7. Remove the right Rear Seat Reclining Bracket.
  - A. Using a T45 TORX® Socket Wrench, remove the Rear Seat Reclining Bracket with the TORX® bolt.
  - B. Remove the 12 mm bracket bolt.

Figure 6.

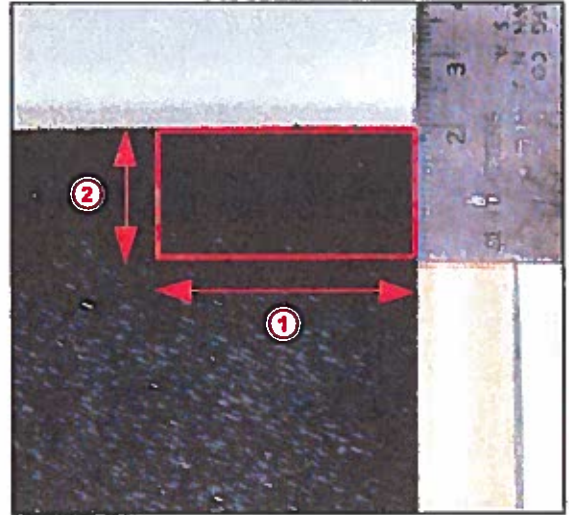


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### Repair Procedure (Continued)

- From the Interior Noise Kit, cut a section of felt to the following dimensions:  
Length: 40 mm  
Width: 20 mm  
Thickness: 1 mm

Figure 7.



1	40 mm
2	20 mm

- Apply the felt to the bracket as shown.

Figure 8.



Figure 9.

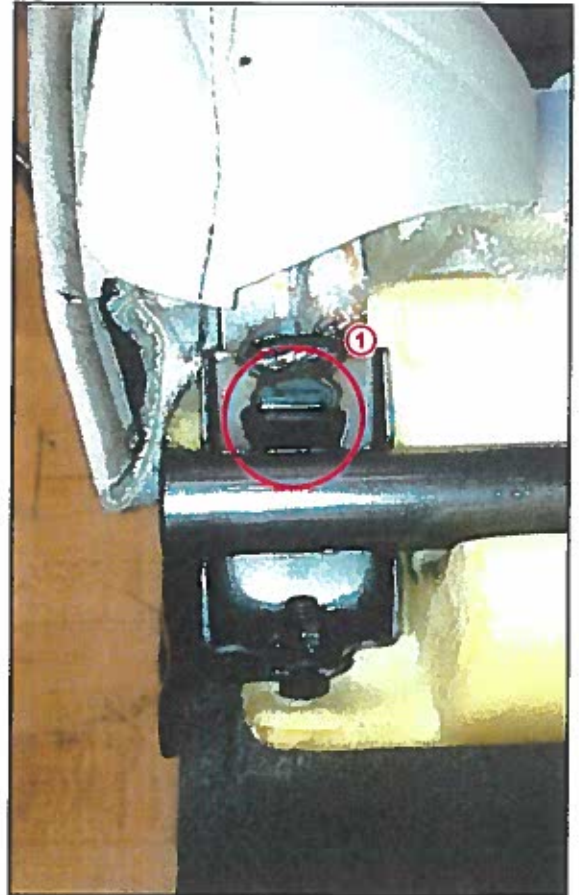


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### Repair Procedure (Continued)

10. Reassemble the bracket to the 60% second row seat.
  - A. Using a T45 TORX® Socket Wrench, install the Rear Seat Reclining Bracket with the TORX® bolt.  
Torque: 21 N\*m (214 kgf\*cm, 15 ft\*lbf)
  - B. Install the 12 mm bolt.  
Torque: 21 N\*m (214 kgf\*cm, 15 ft\*lbf)

**Figure 10.**



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11. Install the seat into the vehicle.

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12. Test drive the vehicle to confirm the squeak noise has been corrected.

