



Altec Industries, Inc.  
 Midwest Operations  
 St. Joseph, MO

CSR 521

# Component/Supplier Recall

August 31, 2021

Units Affected: Certain 2012 through 2020 model year (D2) Ram 3500 pickup, (DD) Ram 3500 cab chassis, and (DP) Ram 4500/5500 cab chassis vehicles. (Verify that your unit is affected by reviewing the attached list in this CSR or by accessing your fleet on [connect.altec.com/login](http://connect.altec.com/login))

## Ram Y26 — Over Torqued Lug Nuts (NHTSA Recall 21V-398)

Altec is committed to providing our customers reliable products from initial delivery throughout the useful life of the machine.

FCA US has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists on certain 2012 through 2020 model year (D2) Ram 3500 pickup, (DD) Ram 3500 cab chassis, and (DP) Ram 4500/5500 cab chassis vehicles.

Refer to the included communication from FCA US for additional information.

A remedy for this condition is not currently available. An additional notice will be mailed to you when a remedy is available.

Altec is not able to complete this repair.

This repair is not covered under the Altec Warranty policy.

Altec Use Only	
Inspection labor	0.0 hr
Repair labor	0.0 hr
Account #	None
Travel	Not Included
NHTSA code	n/a
Prime fail P/N	n/a
Doc ref	n/a

Parts Kit	Part Number	Qty	Warranty
N/A	N/A		N/A

This notice applies to your vehicle,

[Model Year and Model]

VIN XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Y26/NHTSA 21V-398

LOGO

VEHICLE PICTURE

#### YOUR SCHEDULING OPTIONS

1. Visit [recalls.mopar.com](https://recalls.mopar.com) to sign up for email or SMS notifications for when remedy parts become available. You will be asked to provide your Vehicle Identification Number (VIN), provided above
2. Scan below using your smartphone or tablet to sign up to be notified when remedy parts become available
3. Wait for FCA US to contact you again, by mail, with a follow-up recall notice when remedy parts are available
4. Call the FCA Recall Assistance Center at 1-800-853-1403. An agent can sign you up to be notified when remedy parts become available, or answer any other questions you may have

QR Code

#### DEALERSHIP INSTRUCTIONS

Please reference Safety Recall Y26.

# IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

## Wheel Studs

Dear [Name],

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

FCA US has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain [2012 – 2020 Model Year (D2) Ram 3500 Pickup, (DD) Ram 3500 Cab Chassis, and (DP) Ram 4500/5500 Cab Chassis] trucks.

#### WHY DOES MY VEHICLE NEED REPAIRS?

The flanged wheel lug nuts on your vehicle <sup>[1]</sup> may have been over-torqued during service to an incorrect torque specification in the Service & Owner's manuals. **A yielded wheel stud may eventually break, which could lead to a wheel separating from the vehicle during operation. A wheel separating from the vehicle could cause a vehicle crash without prior warning and/or the wheel/tire could pose a risk to other vehicles or pedestrians.**

#### HOW DO I RESOLVE THIS IMPORTANT SAFETY ISSUE?

**The remedy for this condition is not currently available.** We are making every effort to finalize the remedy as quickly as possible, and will service your vehicle free of charge (parts and labor).

FCA US will contact you again, by mail, with a follow-up recall notice when the remedy is available. Once you receive your follow-up notice, simply contact your Chrysler, Jeep®, Dodge or RAM dealer right away to schedule a service appointment <sup>[2]</sup>. Additional options for your next steps are included on the left side of this notification. We appreciate your patience.

#### WHAT IF I ALREADY PAID TO HAVE THIS REPAIR COMPLETED?

If you have already experienced this specific condition and have paid to have it repaired, you may visit [www.fcarecallreimbursement.com](https://www.fcarecallreimbursement.com) to submit your reimbursement request online <sup>[3]</sup>. Once we receive and verify the required documents, reimbursement will be sent to you within 60 days. If you have had previous repairs performed and/or already received reimbursement, you may still need to have the recall repair performed.

We apologize for any inconvenience, but are sincerely concerned about your safety. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Customer Assistance/Field Operations  
FCA US LLC



**Mr. Mrs. Customer**  
**1234 Main Street**  
**Hometown, MI 48371**

[1] If you no longer own this vehicle, please help us update our records. Call the FCA Recall Assistance Center at 1-800-853-1403 to update your information.

[2] If your dealer fails or is unable to remedy this defect without charge and within a reasonable time, you may submit a written complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., S.E., Washington, DC 20590, or you can call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to [safercar.gov](http://safercar.gov).

[3] You can also mail in your original receipts and proof of payment to the following address for reimbursement consideration: FCA Customer Assistance, P.O. Box 21-8004, Auburn Hills, MI 48321-8007, Attention: Recall Reimbursement.

Note to lessors receiving this recall notice: Federal regulation requires that you forward this recall notice to the lessee within 10 days.