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Important

Subject: **BMW Notice of the Court's Final Approval for Shark-Fin Antenna Settlement (X3, X4, X5, X6, X7)**

The Court's Final Approval was granted on August 17 2026.

BMW of North America, LLC (BMW NA) has entered a nationwide settlement with the plaintiffs in the following class action: Craft v. BMW of North America, LLC, et al., Case No. 2:24-cv-06826-WJM-CF and the court has granted Final Approval of the Settlement.

This DCS message provides you with basic information about the case and the preliminary settlement.

Please refer to the attached Class Notice for additional settlement details.

Class Allegations

The plaintiff in the lawsuit alleges that the shark-fin antenna in certain model year 2019 and 2020 BMW X3, X4, X5, X5M, X6, X6M, or X7 vehicles may not be fully sealed to the vehicle's roof, leading to water infiltration and, possibly, damage to components located below the antenna **(the "Sealing Defect Repair")**.

BMW NA expressly denied any wrongdoing alleged in the complaint and does not admit or concede any actual or potential fault, wrongdoing, or liability.

Nevertheless, the parties concluded that a settlement was desirable to avoid the time, expense, and inherent uncertainties of protracted litigation and to resolve, finally and completely, all pending and potential claims related to this matter.

Settlement Class Vehicles

The following US specification model year 2019 to 2020 BMW vehicles within the stated production range purchased, leased, registered, and / or operated, in the United States, including the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico are included:

Model Description	Model Years	Production Ranges
BMW X3	2019-2020	November 1, 2018 to March 31, 2020
BMW X4	2019-2020	November 1, 2018 to March 31, 2020
BMW X5	2019-2020	November 1, 2018 to March 31, 2020
BMW X6	2019-2020	November 1, 2018 to March 31, 2020
BMW X7	2019-2020	November 1, 2018 to March 31, 2020

Note: The model years shown above are not fully indicative of actual Class Vehicles which will be dependent on the applicable vehicle production date ranges.

8/24/2026: Like model Canadian Market Vehicles (US-Specification) are excluded from this class in the US and Puerto Rico.

Settlement Class Members

All current and former owners and lessees of a Class Vehicle purchased in the United States, including the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

Settlement Class Benefits (Eligibility, Limits and Conditions Apply)

Settlement Class Members who have not opted out of the settlement may be eligible to receive the following benefits:

Warranty Coverage for Eligible Repairs After Mailing Date of Class Notice (May 18, 2026)

BMW NA has **extended** its New Vehicle Limited Warranty, as it relates to the **Sealing Defect Repair** in Class Vehicles,

to 10 years or 120,000 miles (“the **Extended Warranty Period**”) (whichever comes first) from the vehicle’s first in-service / delivery date to cover the associated costs for performing diagnosis and the **Sealing-Defect Repair(s)**. The **Extended Warranty** is available for **all** Class Vehicles, regardless of whether the owner or lessee has opted out of the settlement.

Now temporally available for sixty (60) days after entry of the Final Approval Order on August 17, 2016, your BMW Center can provide eligible no-cost Sealing-Defect Repairs for any qualifying Class Vehicle, regardless of its age or mileage as noted below.

B Temporary	Start Date	High Mileage Claim Repairs starts on and after	August 17, 2026
	60-Day Special Coverage Window	Within the dates of this special coverage window, your BMW Center can provide no-cost Sealing-Defect Repairs for any qualifying Class Vehicle, regardless of age (months) or mileage.	With the entry of the Final Approval Order (Short-term high mileage vehicle coverage
	End Date	High Mileage Claim Repairs up to and including	October 16, 2026

Class Notice Repair Statement to the Class Member

If you experience the **Shark-Fin Antenna Sealing Defect** after you receive this Class Notice, you must take your vehicle to an authorized BMW Center if you want the free repair offered under and during the Extended Warranty Period.

Sealing-Defect Repairs after the Mailing Date for this Class Notice

Any Class Vehicle that requires this **Sealing-Defect Repair** will be repaired by a BMW Center free of charge during the **Extended Warranty Period**.

Reimbursement will not be available for out-of-pocket costs incurred for Shark-Fin Antenna Sealing-Defect Repairs made at independent repair shops after the mailing date of the Class Notice.

The Warranty Extension runs with each Class Vehicle, regardless of subsequent transfer, and regardless of whether the Class Member requested exclusion from (opted out of) the Settlement.

Reimbursement of Out-of-Eligible Repair Reimbursement for Past Expenses

An “**Out-Of-Pocket Cost**” is costs incurred for a **Sealing-Defect Repair** on a Class Vehicle repaired either at a BMW Center or an independent repair shop prior to the Class Notice Mailing Date, and that was not otherwise paid for, or covered by BMW NA. Reimbursement amounts will be reduced by goodwill or other adjustment, coupon, refund, or payment made by an authorized BMW Center, BMW NA, any person or entity associated with BMW NA, an insurer, or a provider of an extended service contract. **Reimbursement is available only to current and former owners and lessees of class vehicles who have not opted out of the settlement.**

If the **Sealing-Defect Repair** was performed at an authorized BMW Center, you will be reimbursed 100% of the repair costs you incurred without any payment cap.

If the **Sealing-Defect Repair** was performed at an independent repair shop, you will be reimbursed 100% of the repair costs you incurred up to a cap of \$2,000.

Reimbursement is limited to vehicles that were under 10 years old or 120,000 miles (whichever comes first) from the vehicle’s first in-service / delivery date at the time of repair.

Prior repair Reimbursement requests (when submitted as outlined) will be processed through a third-party Claims Administrator (non-BMW claim submission process).

The current deadline for Class Members to submit their Prior Repair Claim Form was Thursday, August 27, 2026. Updates to this, if any, will be posted on the settlement website.

Issuance of approved reimbursement checks to the customers will begin after the Settlement gets final approval and becomes effective.

Repair Claim Information, Submission and Processing

Eligible Settlement Class Vehicles have been flagged with a corresponding Vehicle Comment in the VIN-specific Warranty Vehicle Inquiry (WVI).

Service Information Bulletin B01 02 26 with the claim processing and submission information for eligible repairs has been posted in TIS 2.0 and AIR in conjunction with the Class Notice mailing.

Additional Information, Settlement Updates, and Inquiries

Updates will also be posted to the settlement website at www.SharkFinSettlement.com, if new information becomes available.

The Claims Administrator listed on the website will only address Class Members questions related to their Reimbursement request. Court Order noted deadline as August 27th, however settlement agreement notes 30 days after final approval

Attachments:

No Attachments

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