

Ford Motor Company Ford Customer Service Division P. O. Box 1904 Dearborn, Michigan 48121

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* * * IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL * * * (PROGRAMA DE SEGURIDAD IMPORTANTE)

Safety Recall Notice 16S24 / NHTSA Recall 16V-345 Aviso de Revisión de Seguridad 16S24

Mr. John Sample 123 Main Street Anywhere, USA 12345

Your Vehicle Identification Number (VIN): 12345678901234567

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

Ford Motor Company has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in your vehicle, with the VIN shown above.

We apologize for this situation and want to assure you that, with your assistance, we will correct this condition. Our commitment, together with your dealer, is to provide you with the highest level of service and support.

What is the issue?

On your vehicle, the brake master cylinder may allow brake fluid to leak into the brake booster. If the brake fluid reservoir is depleted below a predetermined level, you will be alerted that brake system service is required by a combination of the following:



- An audible chime
- A full screen message center alert
- Illumination of the red brake warning indicator (shown to the left).

If the brake fluid reservoir is further depleted through continued vehicle operation, you may experience a change in brake pedal travel and feel, and reduced brake function in the front wheels. Brake function in the rear wheels is unaffected by this condition. Reduced brake function in the front wheels can extend stopping distance, increasing the risk of a crash.

Parts are now available to repair your vehicle.

What will Ford and your dealer do?

Ford Motor Company has authorized your dealer to replace your vehicle's brake master cylinder free of charge (parts and labor).

How long will it take?

The time needed for this repair is less than one-half day. However, due to service scheduling requirements, your dealer may need your vehicle for a longer period of time.

What should you do?

Please call your dealer without delay and request a service date for Recall 16S24. Provide the dealer with your VIN, which is printed near your name at the beginning of this letter.

What should you do? (continued)

If you do not already have a servicing dealer, you can access www.Fordowner.com for dealer addresses, maps, and driving instructions.

Ford Motor Company wants you to have this safety recall completed on your vehicle. The vehicle owner is responsible for making arrangements to have the work completed.

Please note: Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

Your vehicle may be equipped with a diagnostic feature called the Vehicle Health Report which can inform you about all available recalls, as well as other key vehicle health information. Please see https://owner.ford.com/vehicle-health for more information.

Have you previously paid for this repair?

If you have previously paid for a repair that addresses the issue described in this letter, you still need to have this recall performed to ensure the correct parts were used.

You may be eligible for a refund of previously paid repairs. Refunds will only be provided for service related to brake master cylinder replacement due to brake fluid leaks. To verify eligibility and <u>expedite reimbursement</u>, give your paid original receipt to your dealer.

Refund requests may also be sent directly to Ford Motor Company. To request your refund from Ford, send the refund request with all required documentation, including your original repair receipt (no photocopies), to Ford Motor Company at P.O. Box 6251, Dearborn, Michigan 48121-6251. Refund requests mailed to this address may take up to 60 days to process. Your original receipt will be returned to you.

Detailed information regarding eligibility for Ford's reimbursement program and documentation requirements may be obtained by contacting the Ford Customer Relationship Center at 1-866-436-7332.

What if you no longer own this vehicle?

If you no longer own this vehicle, and have an address for the current owner, please forward this letter to the new owner.

You received this notice because government regulations require that notification be sent to the last known owner of record. Our records are based primarily on state registration and title data, which indicate that you are the current owner.

Can we assist you further?

If you have difficulties getting your vehicle repaired promptly and without charge, please contact your dealership's Service Manager for assistance.

<u>RETAIL OWNERS</u>: If you have questions or concerns, please contact our <u>Ford Customer Relationship Center at 1-866-436-7332</u> and one of our representatives will be happy to assist you. If you wish to contact us through the Internet, our address is: <u>www.Fordowner.com</u>.

For the hearing impaired call 1-800-232-5952 (TDD). Representatives are available Monday through Friday: 8:00AM - 8:00PM (Eastern Time).

<u>FLEET OWNERS</u>: If you have questions or concerns, please contact our **Fleet Customer Information Center at 1-800-34-FLEET**, choose Option #3, and one of our representatives will be happy to assist you. If you wish to contact us through the Internet, our address is: www.fleet.ford.com.

Representatives are available Monday through Friday: 8:00AM - 8:00PM (Eastern Time).

Can we assist you further? (continued)

If you are still having difficulty getting your vehicle repaired in a reasonable time or without charge, you may write the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave. S.E., Washington, D.C. 20590 or call the toll free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153) or go to www.safercar.gov. Reference NHTSA Safety Recall 16V-345.

Para asistencia en Español

Visite nuestro sitio web para ver este anuncio en Español al siguiente dirección: https://es.owner.ford.com/recall.

Si necesita ayuda o tiene alguna pregunta, por favor llame al Centro de Relación con Clientes al 1-866-436-7332 y presione 2 para Español.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

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