

CERTAIN 2015-2017 MODEL YEAR F-150 AND 2017 MODEL YEAR F-250-F-550 VEHICLES FITTED WITH FORD ACCESSORY CHROME EXTERIOR DOOR HANDLE TRIM COVERS — REMOVE AND DISCARD FORD ACCESSORY CHROME EXTERIOR DOOR HANDLE TRIM COVERS

NEW ! OVERVIEW

NOTE: This recall affects vehicles fitted with over-the-counter Ford Accessory part numbers only:
VFL3Z-1522404-A, VFL3Z-1522404-B, VFL3Z-1522468-A, VFL3Z-1522468-B.

Vehicles fitted with Ford Accessory chrome exterior door handle trim covers may not conform to the requirements specified by Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 206, Door Locks & Door Retention Components – Inertial Load Requirement. A door handle fitted with the Ford Accessory chrome cover could unlatch during a side impact, increasing the risk of injury in a crash.

Dealers are to inspect vehicles for Ford Accessory chrome exterior door handle trim covers. If the vehicle is not fitted with Ford Accessory chrome exterior door handle trim covers, no service is required. If the vehicle is fitted with Ford Accessory chrome exterior door handle trim covers, Dealers are to remove and discard the covers.

Figures 1, 2 and 3 illustrate common installation configurations of the Ford Accessory chrome exterior door handle covers. These covers must be removed and discarded.

Figure 4 illustrates a typical Factory Chrome Exterior Door Handle that does **NOT** require service.

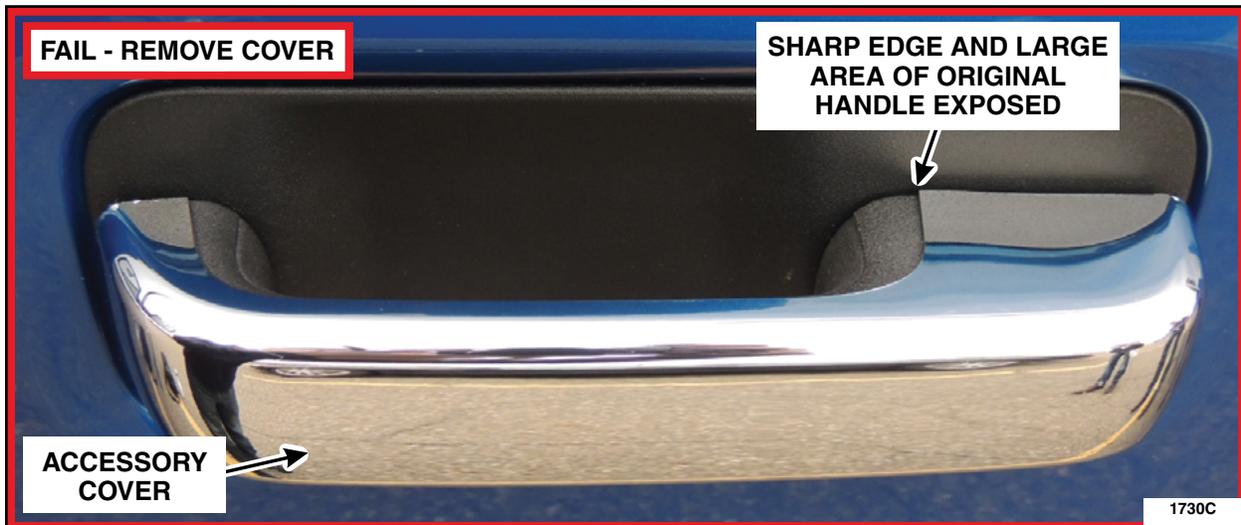


FIGURE 1

Figure 1 - Black door handle with graining. Only the Ford Accessory chrome exterior door handle cover is installed. Cover removal required, refer to the Service Procedure on Page 3.



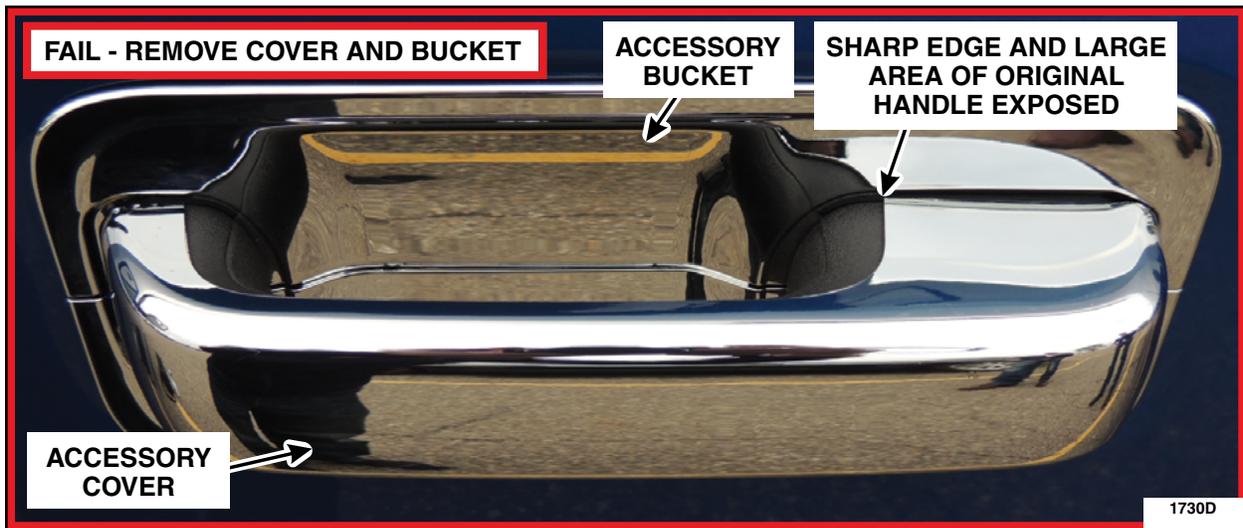


FIGURE 2



FIGURE 3

Figure 2 - Black door handle with graining. The Ford Accessory chrome exterior door handle cover and bucket are installed. Cover and bucket removal required, refer to the Service Procedure on Page 3.

Figure 3 - Painted door handle. Only the Ford Accessory chrome exterior door handle cover is installed. Cover removal required, refer to the Service Procedure on Page 3.



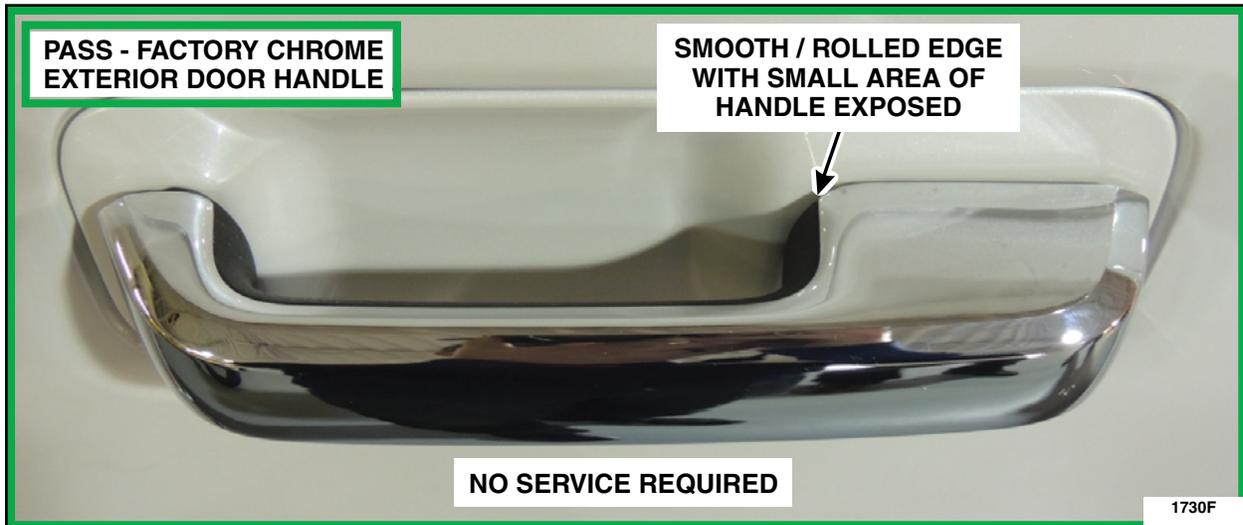


FIGURE 4

Figure 4 - Door handle with painted surround. Factory Chrome Exterior Door Handle. No service is required.

NEW ! SERVICE PROCEDURE

1. *Is the vehicle equipped with Ford Accessory chrome exterior door handle trim covers?*

No - service is not required.

Yes - proceed to Step 2.

2. Remove and discard the Ford Accessory chrome exterior door handle/bucket trim covers from all doors. See Figure 5.

- a. Use a heat gun to loosen the handle/bucket trim cover adhesive.
- b. Remove and discard the covers/buckets using a plastic trim removal tool.
- c. Remove any remaining adhesive with your hands and then clean the door handle with a clean cloth and isopropyl alcohol.

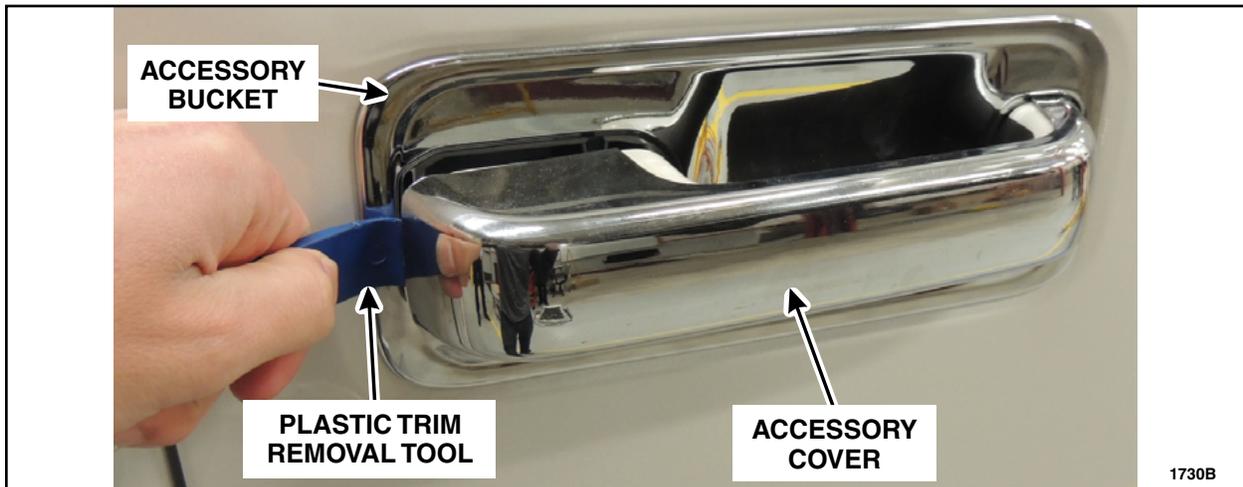


FIGURE 5

