

February 12, 2018

Attention: Mazda Service and Parts Managers

Subject: UPDATE: Notification of Safety Recalls 2218A and 2318A, MY 2006 Mazda B-Series Truck - Takata Driver Side Frontal Airbag Inflator (2218A) and Passenger Side Frontal Airbag Inflator (2318A) - UPDATES IN RED

URGENT - THE VEHICLES IN THIS PROGRAM ARE NOT TO BE

DRIVEN UNTIL THIS REPAIR HAS BEEN PERFORMED

Mazda Motor Corporation has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in vehicles equipped with a certain type of Driver Side Frontal Air Bag Inflator, and to conduct a recall campaign on 2006 B-Series Trucks registered in all states. On February 9th due to new test data showing a far higher risk of ruptures than for other recalled Takata air bags, Mazda Motor Corporation filed an amendment to expand the affected vehicles subject to these "Do Not Drive" recalls. The total US population has increased from 143 vehicles to 1,955 vehicles.

Due to the urgency of this action, owners will be contacted directly

starting February 12, 2018, to have their vehicle towed into the

dealership.

Please assist the customers by checking in their vehicle and providing

a MCVP or Rental vehicle for them to use if needed while repairs are

performed. If the owner requires a pickup truck, please make every

effort to provide one.

In the subject vehicles, continued exposure to high levels of absolute humidity may cause the driver frontal air bag inflator housing to rupture and deploy abnormally in the event of a crash necessitating deployment of the passenger frontal air bag. An inflator rupture could result in metal fragments striking the front passenger or other vehicle occupants, resulting in serious injury or death.

The vehicles in this Safety Recall are equipped with Driver Frontal Air Bag Inflators suspected to have a higher risk of inflator rupture during airbag deployment than other Takata airbag inflators. This expanded vehicle population were previously included in safety Recall 9116A and Permanent Remedy Recall 1917L.

Dealers are to offer towing of customer vehicles to and from the dealership so repairs may be completed. In addition, other forms of repair and outreach such as mobile repairs will be authorized. More details and claim instructions will be outlined in the Dealer Launch E-Mail and the Recall Parts and Warranty Information. Once the vehicle arrives, replace the Drivers Frontal Air Bag Inflator (Recall 2218A) and the Passenger Frontal Air Bag Inflator (Recall 2318A) with the new Permanent Remedy parts.

Owners will be notified by mail starting tentatively February 16, 2018.

Permanent remedy parts will be available once this new recall launches. These parts will be available through a new Restricted Parts ordering screen.

The new Permanent Remedy Part numbers are 1FT1-57-K00 (Driver Inflator) and 1FT1-57-K50A (Passenger Inflator).

WARRANTY CLAIMS FOR 2218A and 2318A

Recall 2218A and 2318A will display on eMDCS by February 12 - 14, 2018 as Not Launched first, then Open. This process will take a few days to complete the transfer of vehicles from Recall 1817L and 1917L into 2218A and 2318A. Prompt submission of warranty claims will assist in the proper and prompt notification of the customer's recall status.

Please make certain the appropriate personnel in your dealership are aware of these resources and are familiar with the details of this recall before responding to customer inquiries.

We apologize for any inconvenience this recall may cause you and your customers. Your understanding and support in carrying out this campaign is greatly appreciated.

Because Driving Matters, Safety Matters. Your safety is important to Mazda.

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