

SAFETY RECALL N459 (NHTSA 20V-325) - DOOR WILL NOT CLOSE



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AFTERSALES BULLETIN

JULY 9, 2020

Jaguar Land Rover North America, LLC has informed the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of its intent to perform a Safety Recall on certain 2016 model year Land Rover Range Rover Sport and Range Rover vehicles imported into the United States market. Information relating to this Recall will be posted on the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration website.

United States Federal regulations require that retailers must be notified within a reasonable time after the manufacturer decides that a defect that relates to motor vehicle safety or a noncompliance exists.

United States Federal law requires retailers to complete any outstanding Recall service before a new vehicle is delivered to the buyer or lessee. Violation of this requirement by a retailer could result in a civil penalty of up to \$22,329.00 per vehicle.

This Aftersales Bulletin serves as notification to all Land Rover retailers in the United States and Federalized Territories that any affected new vehicles may not be sold and delivered for customer use until the Recall repair is completed.

NOTE: THIS BULLETIN UPDATES NAS20.06.022.

DESCRIPTION OF DEFECT

An issue has been identified on certain Land Rover vehicles within the listed Affected Vehicle Range where, after Safety Recall N336 was performed, customers have reported a left-hand door is unlatched when in the closed position and no reported indication provided of an unlatched condition. Some customers have reported that a door on the left-hand side of the vehicle has opened while the vehicle was in motion.

AFFECTED VEHICLE RANGE

Range Rover Sport (LW)

Model Year: 2016

VIN: SALWR2KF0GA557081-SALWR2KFXGA599371

..... SALWR2VF8GA636784-SALWG2KF6GA657885

Range Rover (LG)

Model Year: 2016

VIN: SALGS2KF4GA258234-SALGS2EF6GA298469

A total of 785 vehicles are potentially involved in the USA and Federalized Territories.

EFFECT ON VEHICLE OPERATION

Vehicle doors not latched in either the primary or secondary state may, during driving, open. This can increase the risk of a vehicle crash or compromise the safety of vehicle occupants.

SERVICE PROGRAM / REWORK ACTION

Owners will be notified by mail and instructed to take their vehicle to an authorized Land Rover retailer, who will download the latest software using the latest repair procedure validated to ensure a complete repair. This software will disable the Unilatch Keyless Vehicle (KV) entry function on the vehicle. Prior to latest software update be applied, a check of the KV mechanism on the left-hand front and rear door latches will be completed to determine if the mechanism freely operates. If free operation is not detected, the malfunctioning door latch assembly will be replaced with a correctly manufactured latch.

Jaguar Land Rover North America, LLC
100 Jaguar Land Rover Way
Mahwah, NJ 07495

There will be no charge to owners for this action.

OWNER NOTIFICATION

Owner notification is expected to occur on or before the week of July 20, 2020.

ACTION TO BE TAKEN

Check DDW to ensure that the vehicle is affected by this Program prior to undertaking any rework action.

Retailers are required to HOLD affected new vehicles that are within your control and refrain from releasing the vehicles for new vehicle sale pending completion of the rework action. Affected vehicles already in the hands of customers should be updated at the next available opportunity.

Jaguar Land Rover North America recommends that affected sales demonstrator and loaner vehicles are repaired before use and that used vehicles are repaired before sale. Retailers who choose to proceed against this recommendation, where legally permitted, must clearly and conspicuously disclose the open recall to the applicable customers.

Refer to Technical Bulletin N459NAS, *SAFETY RECALL: Door Will Not Close*, for detailed repair instructions.

PARTS

RANGE ROVER SPORT (LW)

NOTE: only order the expected percentage demand of parts identified.

Use the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) and the Electronic Parts Catalog (EPC) to confirm part number(s) necessary to perform repairs.

DESCRIPTION	PART NUMBER	QUANTITY	EXPECTED PERCENTAGE DEMAND
Front left door latch - With soft close	LR078729	1	5%
Front left door latch - Without soft close	LR078731	1	5%
Rear left door latch - With soft close	LR078749	1	2%
Rear left door latch - Without soft close	LR078752	1	2%
Front door - Door trim panel clip	LR036935	5	5%
Front door - Door trim panel clip	LR013135	11	5%
Rear door - Door trim panel clip	LR036935	5	2%
Rear door - Door trim panel clip	LR013135	9	2%

RANGE ROVER (LG)

NOTE: only order the expected percentage demand of parts identified.

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Front door - Door trim panel clip	LR013135	10	5%
Rear door - Door trim panel clip	LR036935	5	2%
Rear door - Door trim panel clip	LR013135	9	2%
Rear door - Door trim panel clip - Long wheelbase vehicles only	LR036129	6	2%
Rear door - Door trim panel clip - Long wheelbase vehicles only	LR013135	11	2%

TOOLS

Refer to the Technical Bulletin referenced above for any required special tools.

WARRANTY

NOTE: use the Jaguar Land Rover claims submission system to make sure that a vehicle is eligible for this program prior to undertaking any rework action.

At the time of confirming a booking for vehicle repair, make sure that all outstanding Recall and Service Actions are identified to ensure the correct parts are available and adequate workshop time is allocated for repairs to be completed in one visit.

Warranty claims must be submitted quoting the Program Code together with the relevant Option Code. The SRO and parts information listed have been included for information only. The Option Code(s) that allows for the drive in/drive out allowance may only be claimed if the vehicle is brought into the workshop for this action alone to be undertaken.

Repair procedures are under constant review and therefore times / prices are subject to change; those quoted here must be taken as guidance only. Use TOPIx to obtain the latest repair time.

Warranty claims must be submitted for payment within 30 calendar days of completion of the repair.

RANGE ROVER SPORT (LW)

PROGRAM CODE	OPTION CODE	DESCRIPTION	SRO	TIME (HOURS)
N459	X	Disable fast unlock/open actuator - Complete application	86.90.84	0.2
N459	X	Latch - front door - left hand - renew	76.37.06	0.9
N459	X	Latch - rear door - left hand - renew	76.37.07	0.8
N459	X	Latch - Pair - Renew	76.37.89.66	1.6
N459	X	Drive in/drive out	02.02.02	0.2

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N459	X	Latch - front door - left hand - renew	76.37.06	0.9
N459	X	Latch - rear door - left hand - renew - Standard Wheelbase	76.37.07	0.8
N459	X	Latch - rear door - left hand - renew - Long Wheelbase	76.37.07	1.0
N459	X	Latch - Pair - Renew - Standard Wheelbase	76.37.89.66	1.6
N459	X	Latch - Pair - Renew - Long Wheelbase	76.37.89.66	1.8
N459	X	Drive in/drive out	02.02.02	0.2

Normal Warranty policies and procedures apply.

CUSTOMER RE-IMBURSEMENT FOR PREVIOUS REPAIRS

If a customer has indicated that they have already paid for this concern as a normal retail repair (vehicle outside normal warranty period), a copy of the repair invoice must be produced as proof of the repair. The retailer must directly reimburse the customer and a claim for recovery of this cost should be made using the related damage procedure.

Supplementary claims for related damages can only be made once the Recall claim has been paid and accepted. Only repairs performed using approved Jaguar parts are eligible for reimbursement.

Submit claims quoting Program Code 'N459' and click the 'Related Damage' radio button on the claim submission screen. Use Option Code 'X' as detailed below and enter the cost to be reimbursed against the sundry code of 'ZZZ999'. All costs are to be entered in local currency.

PROGRAM CODE	OPTION CODE	DESCRIPTION	TIME (HOURS)	SUNDRY CODE	MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE (\$)
N459	X	Re-imbusement to owner	N/A	ZZZ999	Retailer Entered Value

A copy of the invoice must be appended to the repair order for Warranty Audit purposes and Warranty Specialist review. Enter a brief comment in the 'Technician Comments' field on the claim to itemize and explain the charges. Only vehicles eligible for this Safety Recall are included in this process. Only one claim per vehicle for related damages will be accepted.

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

This notice applies to your vehicle SALXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

July 2020

SAFETY RECALL N459: Door Will Not Close

**Vehicle Affected: Land Rover Range Rover Sport, Range Rover
Model Year: 2016**

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Recall Number: 20V-325

Dear Land Rover Owner,

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the *National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act*. Land Rover has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain 2016 model year Land Rover Range Rover Sport and Range Rover vehicles.

Your vehicle is included in this Recall action.

Land Rover records indicate your vehicle has previously been subject to a repair under Safety Recall N336, *Door Will Not Latch*. On some vehicles that had received N336 repairs, Land Rover has determined from data analysis that not all steps of the repair process were completed successfully. After Safety Recall N336 was completed, some customers have reported a door is unlatched when in the closed position and no indication provided of an unlatched condition.

Vehicle doors not latched in either the primary or secondary state may, during driving, open. This can increase the risk of a vehicle crash or compromise the safety of vehicle occupants.

What is the reason for this program?

After completion of Safety Recall N336, the front left and/or rear left doors of affected vehicles can become unlatched, without alerting the driver, and potentially open when the vehicle is in motion.

Vehicle doors that are not may open during driving. This can increase the risk of a vehicle crash or compromise the safety of vehicle occupants.

What will Land Rover and your authorized Land Rover retailer do?

Land Rover is carrying out a recall of the vehicles mentioned above. An authorized retailer will install software that will disable the Unilatch Keyless Vehicle entry function on the vehicle. After the latest software update is applied, a check of the Keyless Vehicle entry function mechanism on the left front and rear door latches will be completed to determine if the mechanism freely operates. If free operation is not detected, the malfunctioning door latch assembly will be replaced with a new latch.

There will be no charge for this repair under this program.

What should you do?

Please contact your preferred authorized Land Rover retailer and provide them with your Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) and request a service date to complete the work required under Program Code **'N459'**.

Attention Leasing Agencies: if you are a vehicle lessor, Federal Regulations require you to forward this notice to your lessee within ten days.

How long will it take?

The work will be carried out as quickly and efficiently as possible to minimize inconvenience to customers and is expected to take approximately two (2) hours, although your retailer may need your vehicle for a longer time. Your retailer can provide you with a better estimate of the overall time for the service visit.

What if I have previously paid for this concern?

If you have already paid for this concern before the date of this letter, Land Rover is offering a refund. In order to qualify for a refund, please provide your authorized Land Rover retailer with the original paid receipt.

To avoid delays, please do not send the receipt to Jaguar Land Rover North America.

Moved or no longer own this Land Rover vehicle?

If you are no longer the owner of this vehicle, Land Rover would greatly appreciate the name and address of the new owner, using the Information Change Form enclosed.

What should you do if you have further questions?

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Service Manager at your authorized Land Rover retailer for assistance. If you have any queries or concerns that your local Retailer cannot address, please contact the Land Rover Customer Relationship Center at 1-800-637-6837, Option 9, and one of our representatives will be happy to assist you. You may also contact us by email using the following address: lrweb2@jaguarlandrover.com.

If you have the need to contact Land Rover by mail, please use the following address:

Jaguar Land Rover North America, LLC
ATTN: Customer Relationship Center
100 Jaguar Land Rover Way
Mahwah, NJ 07495

If after having attempted to take advantage of this recall you believe you have not been able to have your vehicle remedied without charge and within a reasonable amount of time, you may submit a complaint to 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 <http://www.safercar.gov>.

Land Rover appreciates your confidence in our product and wish to do everything we can to retain that confidence. We recognize this service visit may be an inconvenience to you. Land Rover, in cooperation with your authorized Land Rover retailer, will strive to minimize any inconvenience to you caused by this program.

Sincerely,



Rory Beattie
Vice President Customer Service
Jaguar Land Rover North America, LLC

TECHNICAL Q & A: SAFETY RECALL

Main Message: An issue has been identified on certain 2016 model year Range Rover and Range Rover Sport vehicles where, sometime after the completion of recall N336, the front left and/or rear left doors of affected vehicles can become unlatched, without alerting the driver, and potentially open when the vehicle is in motion.

Q1 Who do I contact if a member of the press contacts me about this recall?

A Please ensure Press enquiries are referred to the Jaguar Land Rover North America Press Office to the attention of:

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Q2 Why is Jaguar Land Rover recalling certain Land Rover vehicles?

A Vehicle doors not latched in either the primary or secondary state may, during driving, open. This can increase the risk of a vehicle crash or compromise the safety of vehicle occupants.

Q3 Can you tell me more about what is wrong with the vehicles?

A An investigation was opened on February 25, 2020 following reports of doors opening whilst in motion, sometime after vehicles had been repaired for the N336 recall campaign. The investigation showed the N336 recall remedy instruction comprised of two parts; the first being a mechanical inspection of the door latches, and the second, a software update to switch off the pre-engagement Keyless Vehicle Module (KVM) Latch system. It was determined that repairers had occasionally failed to fully follow both parts of the N336 recall remedy instructions required for a complete full corrective action for affected vehicles.

Q4 How would the customer become aware of potentially having this concern?

A Customers may notice the doors on the left side of the vehicle may not latch in either the primary or secondary state or bounce back when closed.

Q5 Does this concern affect vehicle safety?

A Yes. Vehicle doors not latched in either the primary or secondary state may, during driving, open. This can increase the risk of a vehicle crash or compromise the safety of vehicle occupants.

Q6 Has Jaguar Land Rover Limited received many complaints?

A Yes, there have been a number of reports of this issue.

Q7 Have there been any accidents, fires, or injuries related to this issue?

A Jaguar Land Rover is not aware of any accidents, fires, or injuries which have been attributed to this issue.

Q8 How was the condition discovered?

A An investigation was opened on February 25, 2020 following field reports of doors opening while in motion after vehicles had been repaired for the N336 recall campaign.

Q9 How long has Jaguar Land Rover known about this problem?

A The investigation was opened on February 25, 2020

Q10 Is the defect leading you to any concerns regarding the reliability of a system, which is supposed to be designed and engineered for the passengers' safety? What type of measures are you planning to take?

A We have no concerns with the overall reliability of the vehicle. Jaguar Land Rover carefully monitors field data to ensure that any matters relating to safety and compliance are rigorously investigated.

Q11 What has Jaguar Land Rover done in production?

A Production vehicles are manufactured with assured quality door latches.

Q12 What will an authorized Land Rover retailer do to the vehicles?

A An authorized Land Rover retailer will follow the revised remedy procedure to download the latest software which will disable the Unilatch Keyless Vehicle Module (KVM) entry function on the vehicle. Prior to the latest software update being applied, a check of the KVM mechanism on the left door latches will be completed to determine if the mechanism freely operates. If free operation is not detected, the malfunctioning door latch assembly will be renewed with a correctly manufactured latch.

Q13 Which vehicles are affected by this recall?

A Certain vehicles within the following VIN ranges are affected:

Range Rover Sport (LW)

Model Year: 2016

VIN: SALWR2KF0GA557081-SALWR2KFXGA599371

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Range Rover (LG)

Model Year: 2016

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Q14 Are other Jaguar Land Rover models affected by these actions?

A No other models, other than those listed on this document, are known to be affected by this condition.

Q15 Are parts available to rework vehicles?

A Yes, the necessary parts are available for authorized Land Rover retailers to conduct this repair.

Q16 How much will the recall cost Jaguar Land Rover?

A Cost was not a factor in deciding to recall these vehicles.

Q17 How do I know if my vehicle is affected?

A All owners of potentially affected vehicles will shortly receive a letter inviting them to contact an authorized Land Rover retailer for the work to be carried out.

Q18 How long does it take for the vehicle to be inspected and repaired?

A The work will be carried out as quickly and efficiently as possible to minimize inconvenience to customers and is expected to take no longer than hours. Due to retailer schedules, vehicles may be required for longer.

Q19 Can I continue to drive my vehicle safely until it has been recalled?

A Customers are advised to contact an authorized Land Rover retailer should they have any concerns regarding their vehicles.