# **SAFETY RECALL**



### **CAMPAIGN BULLETIN**

# Front Passenger Air Bag Module Voluntary Safety Recall Campaign

Reference: R20C2 Date: March 5, 2021

Attention: Retailer Principal, Sales, Parts and Service Managers

IMPORTANT: It is a violation of Federal law for retailers to sell or deliver vehicles in their inventory covered by this notification until the campaign action is performed.

Affected Models/Years:	Affected Population:	Retailer Inventory:	SERVICE COMM Activation date:	Stop Sale In Effect
MY2006-2008 FX35/FX45	26,156	NA	March 5, 2021	YES

#### \*\*\*\*\* Campaign Summary \*\*\*\*\*

INFINITI is committed to safety, security, and satisfaction of our clients and their passengers. INFINITI is conducting a Voluntary Safety Recall Campaign on certain INFINITI Model Year 2006-2008 FX35/FX45 vehicles identified in Service Comm to replace the passenger air bag module.

A supplier's process change reduced the air bag cushion's folding width, which could increase the cushion internal pressure during deployment. If this condition occurs, the cushion could tear and may increase the risk of injury to the front passenger-side occupant in the event of a crash if air bag deployment is warranted.

Owners of vehicles that have previously been repaired using module part number K8515-CL71A under the following campaign IDs are now being asked to return to the dealership for part replacement:

- R1622
- R1701
- R1704

#### \*\*\*\*\* What Retailers Should Do \*\*\*\*\*

- 1. Verify if vehicles are affected by this Voluntary Safety Recall Campaign using Service Comm or DBS National Service History Open Campaign I.D. <u>R20C2.</u>
- 2. Retailers must not sell, lease, trade, rent or loan any vehicles in retailer inventory affected by this recall campaign until after the vehicle has been remedied.
- 3. Retailers should use ITB21-003 to remedy any vehicles subject to this campaign.
- **4.** Once repaired, the service department should submit the applicable warranty claim for the action performed so it can be closed on SERVICE COMM.

#### \*\*\*\*\* Release Schedule \*\*\*\*\*

Parts	Parts are on restriction. Retailers may place SVC orders for the parts listed below via DBS.			
	Part Number Description Quantity			
	K8515-CL72A   Module Assy-Air Bag, Assist   1			
	K8515-CL71A is obsolete and should be returned via TK Services (XPO) @ SCFieldAction.14305@xpo.com.			
Special Tools	Retailers received these special tools via another campaign activity			
	Additional tools are available via TechMate @ 1-800-662-2001			
Repair	• ITB21-003			
Owner Notification	INFINITI will begin notifying owners of all potentially affected vehicles in <b>April 2021</b> , via U.S. Mail.			

#### \*\*\*\*\* Retailer Responsibility \*\*\*\*\*

It is the retailer's responsibility to check Service Comm or DBS National Service History – Open Campaign using the appropriate Campaign I.D. for the campaign status on each vehicle falling within the range of this voluntary safety recall campaign, which for any reason enters the service department. This includes vehicles purchased from private parties or presented by transient (tourist) owners and vehicles in retailer inventory. If a VIN subject to this recall campaign was part of a retailer trade, the letter associated with that VIN should be forwarded to the appropriate retailer for service completion.

#### Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ):

- Q: Is this a safety recall?
- A. Yes.
- Q What is the reason for the recall?
- A. A supplier's process change reduced the air bag cushion's folding width, which could increase the cushion internal pressure during deployment. If this condition occurs, the cushion could tear and may increase the risk of injury to the front passenger-side occupant in the event of a crash if air bag deployment is warranted.
- Q What is the possible effect of the condition?
- A If this condition occurs, it may increase the risk of injury to the front passenger-side occupant in the event of a crash, where air bag deployment is warranted.

#### Q. What will be the corrective action?

A. Retailers will replace the passenger air bag module.

#### Q. How long will the corrective action take?

A. This service, which is conducted at no charge to you for parts and labor, could take up to approximately one (1) hour to complete. However, your INFINITI retailer may require your vehicle for a longer period of time based upon their work schedule.

#### Q: Does this stop sale apply to previously owned vehicles?

A. INFINITI strongly recommends retailers not sell previously owned vehicles affected by these recalls until remedied. Certain states have laws preventing the sale of previously owned vehicles with open safety recalls. Retailers must comply with all federal, state, and local laws regarding vehicle sales as they relate to open safety recalls.

# Q. These vehicles have already had parts replaced under a previous recall (R1622, R1701, R1704), do they need to be remedied again?

A. Yes. Although the vehicle has already been into the retailer to have the passenger airbag replaced under a previous recall (R1622, R1701, R1704), the supplier's process change reduced the air bag cushion's folding width, which could increase the cushion internal pressure during deployment. If this condition occurs, the cushion could tear and may increase the risk of injury to the front passenger-side occupant in the event of a crash if air bag deployment is warranted. Therefore, INFINITI is asking that retailers replace the prior recall repair part (passenger air bag module) with a new part under campaign ID R20C2.

#### Q. How do I know if my vehicle has a problem with the front passenger airbag?

A. If your vehicle is subject to this campaign, you will receive an Owner Notification letter from INFINITI. If you would like, I can check your vehicle identification number (VIN) right now to see if your vehicle is affected by a different recall. You may also search for open recall campaigns at safercar.gov.

#### Q. When will vehicle owners be notified?

A. INFINITI will begin notifying owners of all potentially affected vehicles in **April 2021** via U.S. Mail

#### Q. Is my vehicle safe to drive?

A. INFINITI strongly urges clients to have this safety recall remedy performed as soon as possible. Please contact your retailer as soon as possible to schedule an appointment. In the meantime, do not allow passengers to ride in the front passenger seat until a remedy is performed.

- Q. Is there anything owners can do to mitigate this condition?
- A. If you received a safety recall notice about the passenger front airbag, contact your retailer as soon as possible to schedule an appointment. In the meantime, do not allow passengers to ride in the front passenger seat until a remedy is performed.
- Q. Are parts readily available?
- A. No. Retailers may place SVC orders for parts via DBS.
- Q. Will a rental vehicle be provided while the retailer is servicing the vehicle?
- A. INFINITI may provide a courtesy vehicle for the client to use while their vehicle is being serviced. Courtesy vehicles are subject to availability and not guaranteed. Please check with your retailer for availability and further details. Rental is available while parts are on order if a courtesy vehicle is not available.

EXPENSE CODE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT		
502	Rental Expense	\$180 (Max)		
Contact the Warranty Claims Call Center @ 800-933-3712 if additional expense is required				

- Q. Is there any charge for the repair?
- A. No. The remedy will be performed for the client free of charge for parts and labor.
- Q. Will I have to take my vehicle back to the selling retailer to have the service performed?
- A. No, any authorized INFINITI retailer is able to perform the voluntary safety recall campaign.

For Consumer Affairs: Please inform us of the retailer where you would like to have the corrective action completed.

- Q. I have lost confidence in the vehicle. Will INFINITI replace or repurchase the vehicle?
- A. The remedy will fully correct this condition. As the condition will be corrected, there is no basis for repurchasing or replacing your vehicle.
- Q. What model year vehicles are involved?
- A. Certain Model Year 2006-2008 INFINITI FX35/FX45 vehicles manufactured from November 11, 2005 to March 1, 2008 at the Shonan, Japan plant.

- Q. Are you experiencing this condition on any other INFINITI (or Nissan) models?
- A. No.

## Revision History:

Date	Announcement	Purpose
March 5, 2021	Voluntary Safety Recall	New campaign announcement