## **IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL**



Volkswagen of America, Inc. 3800 Hamlin Road Auburn Hills, MI 48326

<MONTH YEAR>

<CUSTOMER NAME> <CUSTOMER ADDRESS> <CUSTOMER CITY STATE ZIPCODE>

This notice applies to your vehicle: <MODEL YEAR> <BRAND> <CARLINE>, <VIN>

NHTSA: 21V607

## Subject: Compliance Recall 69CQ - Rear Outboard Seat Belts

Dear Volkswagen Owner,

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Volkswagen has decided that certain 2021 model year Volkswagen I.D.4 vehicles fail to conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 208 *Occupant crash protection*. Our records show that you are the owner of a vehicle affected by this action.

What is the issue?	Vehicles may have received an incorrect seat belt assembly not released for the U.S. market. Only the outer rear seats are potentially affected. The potentially incorrect seat belt assemblies do not have the automatic locking retractor (ALR) function required by FMVSS 208 implemented.
	This noncompliance does not impact the compliance or functionality of the seat belt assemblies with respect to their normal use by adult passengers or use of the LATCH system to secure child restraint seats. With child restraint seats for which the vehicle owner elects to use the seat belt to secure the child restraint seat instead of the LATCH system, if the seat belt is not lockable so that the seat belt assembly can be used to tightly secure the child restraint seat, there is an increased risk of injury in a crash to the occupant of the child restraint seat.
What will we do?	To correct this noncompliance, your authorized Volkswagen dealer will inspect and, if necessary, replace one or both rear outboard seat belts. This work will take up to an hour to complete and will be performed for you free of charge. Please keep in mind that your dealer may need additional time for the preparation of the repair, as well as to accommodate their daily workshop schedule.
What should you do?	Please contact your authorized Volkswagen dealer without delay to schedule this recall repair. To set up an appointment online, please visit <u>www.vw.com/find-a-dealer.</u>
Lease vehicles and address changes	If you are the lessor and registered owner of the vehicle identified in this action, the law requires you to forward this letter immediately via first-class mail to the lessee within ten (10) days of receipt. If you have changed your address or sold the vehicle, please fill out the enclosed prepaid Owner

Reply card and mail it to us so we can update our records.

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Can we assist you further?	If your authorized Volkswagen dealer fails or is unable to complete this work free of charge within a reasonable time, or if you should have any questions about this communication, please reach out to us using your preferred method of communication at <u>www.vw.com/contact</u> or by calling us at 800-893-5298.
Checking your vehicle for open Recalls and Service Campaigns	To check your vehicle's eligibility for repair under this or any other recall/service campaign, please visit <u>www.vw.com/owners/recalls</u> and enter your Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) into the Recall/Service Campaign Lookup tool.

If you still cannot obtain satisfaction, you may file a complaint with: The Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 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.

We apologize for any inconvenience this matter may cause; however we are taking this action to help ensure your safety and continued satisfaction with your vehicle.

Sincerely,

Volkswagen Customer Protection