

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

22V-177

Manufacturer Name : Bentley Motors, Inc.**Submission Date :** MAR 23, 2022**NHTSA Recall No. :** 22V-177**Manufacturer Recall No. :** RE22/08 (RC34)**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Bentley Motors, Inc.

Address : 2200 Ferdinand Porsche Drive

Herndon VA 20171

Company phone : 1-800-777-6923

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 25

Estimated percentage with defect : 16 %

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2020-2022 Bentley Continental GT Convertible

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : 2-DOOR

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Vehicles included in the recall may have the incorrect front passenger seat belt assemblies, without an automatic locking retractor (ALR) function, installed during the production process. Vehicles have been identified by comparing Bentley manufacturing records to supplier serial numbers. Vehicles not included in this recall have been fitted with the correct specification seat belts. There are 16 20-22MY Bentley Continental GT Convertibles affected

Production Dates : DEC 11, 2019 - JUL 14, 2021

VIN Range 1 : Begin : SCBDG4ZGXLC079400 End : SCBDG4ZG0NC091042 Not sequential

Vehicle 2 : 2021-2022 Bentley Flying Spur

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : 4-DOOR

Power Train : GAS

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Production Dates : APR 21, 2021 - SEP 30, 2021

VIN Range 1 : Begin : SCBBB6ZG8MC088762 End : SCBBG6ZGXNC092802 Not sequential

Vehicle 3 : 2020-2022 Bentley Continental GT

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : 2-DOOR

Power Train : GAS

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Production Dates : AUG 23, 2019 - JUL 23, 2021

VIN Range 1 : Begin : SCBCG2ZG1LC075736 **End :** SCBCG2ZG1NC091373 Not sequential

Description of Noncompliance :

Description of the Noncompliance : Bentley has discovered that incorrect seat belt assemblies may have been installed for the front seating positions on certain vehicles, as follows:
- The driver's seating position may be equipped with an automatic locking retractor (ALR) seat belt.
- The front passenger seating position may be equipped with a seat belt that is missing the required automatic locking retractor (ALR) function.

FMVSS 1 : 208 - Occupant crash protection

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : Without the ALR function present, an owner using the seat belt would not be able to properly secure a child restraint in the front passenger position, putting the occupant of the child seat at risk of injury in a crash.

Description of the Cause : There are two different causes for the affected population of vehicles:-
1) Bentley - For 2 vehicles, scanned label data indicates the incorrect specification of seat belt for the specific seating position may have been fitted to the vehicle (e.g. a non-ALR seat belt may have been fitted to the passenger seating position)
2) Supplier - For 23 vehicles, the supplier is unable to confirm the part number from Bentley's scanned label data (i.e. there is no data to confirm which specification of seat belt has been fitted)

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : A vehicle owner who elects to use the seat belt instead of the LATCH system to secure a child restraint seat will notice that the seat belt does not lock and also the absence of the audible clicking noise made when the ALR function is activated.

Involved Components :

Component Name 1 : Seat belt assembly

Component Description : Seat belt assembly - front passenger

Component Part Number : (with ALR): 3SB.857.706, 3SC.857.705, 3SB.857.706.B, 3SC.857.705.B, 3SB.857.706.C, 3SC.857.705.C

Component Name 2 : Seat belt assembly

Component Description : Seat belt assembly - driver position

Component Part Number : (non-ALR):3SB.857.705, 3SC.857.706, 3SB.857.705.B, 3SC.857.706.B, 3SB.857.705.C, 3SC.857.706.C

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name : Joyson Safety Systems

Address : ul. Betlejemska 16
Krzeszów Foreign States 58-405

Country : Poland

Chronology :

July 2021 - Informed by Group of similar issue at other manufacturing plants.

Aug 2021 - Data analysis started. Additional containment checks introduced into Production process.

Dec 2021 - Poka-yoke scanning process introduced into Production process.

Jan 2022 - Data analysis completed, technical solution for field vehicles confirmed.

Feb 2022 - Pre-Product Safety Committee decision.

Mar 2022 -Product Safety Committee decision to recall potentially affected customer vehicles. Bentley is not aware of any claims, accidents or injuries as a consequence of this issue.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Dealers will inspect the affected seat belt assemblies at the specific seating positions and, if necessary, replace an affected seat belt free of charge. Because the affected vehicles are within the New Vehicle Limited Warranty, Bentley will not offer a reimbursement plan under this recall.

How Remedy Component Differs If non-ALR seat belts have been fitted to the passenger seating position, they will be replaced with ALR seat belts.

from Recalled Component : If ALR seat belts have been fitted to the driver seating position, they will be replaced with a non-ALR seat belt.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : An improved build process has been introduced. The seat belt label can now only be scanned once the part has been fitted to the vehicle. The vehicle will only be released from the Production station if the scanned label data is correct when compared to the vehicle's PR number and the DC tooling data is also correct.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Dealer anticipated 05/02/2022. Customer anticipated 05/16/2022
Planned Dealer Notification Date : MAY 02, 2022 - MAY 02, 2022
Planned Owner Notification Date : MAY 16, 2022 - MAY 16, 2022

* NR - Not Reported