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To: All Lexus Dealer Principals, General Managers, Service Managers, and Parts Managers

SAFETY (NONCOMPLIANCE) RECALL 22LA04 (Remedy Notice)

Certain 2022 Model Year NX 250 Certain 2022 Model Year NX 350 Electronic Parking Brake (EPB) May Not Engage or Disengage Properly

Model / Years	Production Period	Approximate Total Vehicles	Approximate Stop Sale Dealer Inventory
2022 NX 250	Late May 2021 – Late August 2022	4,200	67
2022 NX 350	Early April 2021 – Late August 2022	15,200	234

STOP! DO NOT SELL NEW VEHICLES IN DEALER INVENTORY. Refer to Dealer Inventory Procedures section for more details.

On September 1, 2022, Lexus filed a Noncompliance Information Report (NCIR) with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) informing the agency of our intent to conduct a voluntary Safety (Noncompliance) Recall on certain 2022 model year NX 250, and certain 2022 model year NX 350 vehicles.

<u>Condition</u>

The electronic parking brake (EPB) in the subject vehicles may not engage or disengage properly. An EPB that cannot be engaged could be a noncompliance with a federal safety standard and result in vehicle rollaway, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy

Any authorized Lexus dealer will update the software in the Skid Control ECU FREE OF CHARGE.

Covered Vehicles

There are approximately 19,400 vehicles covered by this Safety (Noncompliance) Recall. Approximately 350 vehicles involved in this Safety (Noncompliance) Recall were distributed to Puerto Rico.

Owner Letter Mailing Date

Lexus will notify owners by late October 2022.

Lexus makes significant effort to obtain current customer name and address information from each state through industry resources when mailing owner letters. In the event your dealership receives a notice for a vehicle that was sold prior to the Safety (Noncompliance) Recall announcement, it is the dealership's responsibility to forward the owner letter to the customer who purchased the vehicle.

Please note that only owners of the covered vehicles will be notified. If you are contacted by an owner who has not yet received a notification, please *verify eligibility by confirming through TIS prior to performing repairs*. Dealers should perform the repair as outlined in the Technical Instructions found on TIS.

Dealer Inventory Procedures

New Vehicles in Dealership Inventory

There are approximately 301 vehicles in new dealer inventory as of August 31, 2022.



Under Title 49, Section 30112 of the United States Code, a dealer cannot sell, offer for sale, or introduce or deliver for introduction in interstate commerce a new motor vehicle when it is aware that the vehicle does not comply with an applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard or contains a defect related to motor vehicle safety. Further, 49 Code of Federal Regulations §577.13 requires us to provide the following advisory: It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by this notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied.

Lexus reimburses dealers for flooring costs associated with new vehicles held in dealership inventory until the recall remedy becomes available. Lexus provides these flooring reimbursements at 60-day intervals. Lexus reserves the right to withhold or charge-back any flooring reimbursement funds that may have been paid to the dealer if it determines that a new vehicle subject to a safety recall was sold without first being remedied.

Vehicle Safety Recall completion should always be verified through TIS. We request your assistance to ensure involved vehicles are identified and not delivered prior to performing the remedy.

NOTE:

- New vehicles in dealer inventory subject to a Safety Recall must be remedied before delivery into commerce under a sale or lease. Dealer-to-dealer trades as well as vehicle sales between dealers should not be made until a vehicle is remedied.
- Dealers can identify if any of their new and used inventory has any open campaigns in the Vehicle Inventory Summary available in Dealer Daily <u>https://dealerdaily.lexus.com/</u>). The Vehicle Inventory Summary may take up to 4 hours to populate information for newly launched campaigns.

Inspection Reminder Mirror Hang Tags for Covered Vehicles in New Dealer Stock

To easily recognize vehicles involved in this Safety (Noncompliance) Recall, each dealership should utilize Inspection Reminder Hang Tags. Inside the vehicle's glove box are stickers containing the VIN. Apply one of these stickers to the hang tag and install the hang tag in the vehicle. A sample copy of the Inspection Reminder Hang Tag has been included for your reference.



NOTE: Dealerships can order hang tags from the Material Distribution Center (MDC).

Part Number	Description	Quantity
00241-INSPT	Inspection Mirror Hang Tag	25 Per Pack

Pre-Owned Vehicles in Dealer Inventory

To ensure customer satisfaction, Lexus requests that dealers complete this Safety Recall on any used vehicles currently in dealer inventory that are covered by this Safety Recall prior to customer delivery. However, if the campaign cannot be completed (for example, due to remedy parts availability), delivery of a covered vehicle is acceptable if disclosed to the customer that the vehicle is involved in a Safety Recall.

Lexus expects dealers to use the attached Customer Contact and Vehicle Disclosure Form to obtain vehicle buyer information. Dealers are expected to provide a copy of the completed form, along with the most current FAQ, to the vehicle buyer. Lexus and the dealer may use this information to contact the customer when the remedy becomes available.

Keep the completed form on file at the dealership and send a copy to quality_compliance@toyota.com. In the subject line of the email state "Disclosure Form 22LA04" and include the VIN.

NOTE: Dealers can identify if any of their new and used inventory has any open campaigns in the Vehicle Inventory Summary available in Dealer Daily. The Vehicle Inventory Summary may take up to 4 hours to populate information for newly launched campaigns.

L/Certified Vehicles

L/Certified policy prohibits the certification of any vehicle with an outstanding Safety Recall, Special Service Campaign, or Limited Service Campaign. Thus, no affected units are to be designated, sold, or delivered as L/Certified until all applicable Safety Recalls, Special Service Campaigns, and Limited Service Campaigns have been completed on that vehicle.

LCCS Service Loaners

Lexus requests that dealers remove all LCCS Service Loaner vehicles from service that are covered by a Safety Recall unless the defect has been remedied.

Customer Handling, Parts Ordering, and Remedy Procedures

Customer Contacts

Customers who receive the owner letter may contact your dealership with questions regarding the letter and/or the Safety (Noncompliance) Recall. Please welcome them to your dealership and answer any questions that they may have. A Q&A is provided to assure a consistent message is communicated.

Customers with additional questions or concerns are asked to please contact the Lexus Brand Engagement Center (1-800-255-3987) -Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, Saturday 9:00 am to 7:00 pm Eastern Time.

Salvage Title Vehicles

Every attempt should be made to complete an open Safety Recall when circumstances permit, unless noted otherwise in the Safety Recall dealer letter.

For complete details on this policy, refer to Lexus Warranty Policy <u>4.15</u>, "What Is Not Covered by The Lexus New Vehicle Limited Warranty".

Media Contacts

It is imperative that all media contacts (local and national) receive a consistent message. In this regard, all media contacts must be directed to Tyler Litchenberger (469) 292-2671 in Lexus Corporate Communications. Please do not provide this number to customers. Please provide this contact only to media.

Technician Training Requirements

The repair quality of covered vehicles is extremely important to Lexus. All dealership technicians performing this repair are required to successfully complete the most current version of the E-Learning course "Safety Recall and Service Campaign Essentials". To ensure that all vehicles have the repair performed correctly; technicians performing this repair are required to currently have completed all of the following courses:

• L623 - Lexus Electrical Circuit Diagnosis

Always check which technicians can perform the repair by logging on to <u>https://www.lctpreports.com</u>. It is the dealership's responsibility to select technicians with the above certification level or greater to perform this repair. Carefully review your resources, the technician skill level, and ability before assigning technicians to this repair. It is important to consider technician days off and vacation schedules to ensure there are properly trained technicians available to perform this repair at all times.

Remedy Procedures

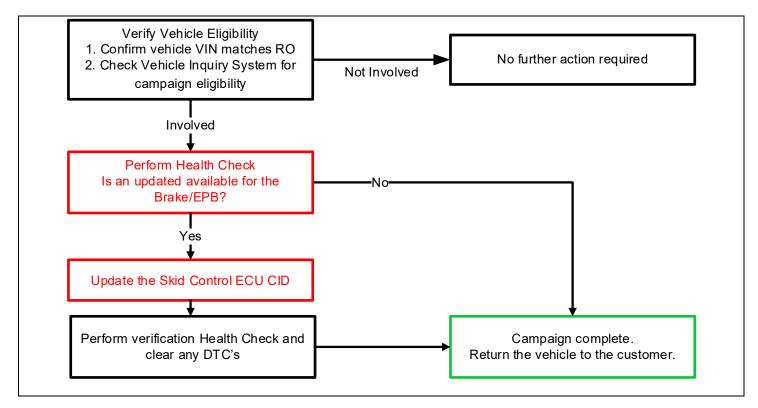
Refer to TIS for Technical Instructions on repair. Conduct all non-completed Safety Recalls and Service Campaigns on the vehicle during the time of appointment.

Repair Quality Confirmation

The repair quality of covered vehicles is extremely important to Lexus. To help ensure that all vehicles have the repair performed correctly, please designate at least one associate (someone other than the individual who performed the repair) to verify the repair quality of every vehicle prior to customer delivery.

Warranty Reimbursement Procedures

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Op Code	Description	Flat Rate Hours
2LAO41	Update Skid Control ECU	0.9

- The flat rate times include 0.1 hours for administrative cost per unit for the dealership.
- Towing can be claimed under Op Code 2LA041 for a maximum of \$250 as sublet type "TW" in the event the customer is experiencing the condition and requests vehicle pickup.
 - Towing invoice *MUST* be attached to all towing claims. These claims may be subject to debit if towing invoice is not attached.
- In the rare case that the skid control ECU contains the latest calibration ID (no software update needed), use opcode 2LAO41.

Lexus' usual customer care amenities of car wash and fuel fill-up apply to this Safety (Noncompliance) Recall. Additionally, a maximum of one day of rental vehicle expense (at a maximum rate of \$55.00 per day) while the vehicle is being remedied or the cost of pick-up and redelivery of the customer's car may be claimed if required and subject to the guidelines published in the Safety Recall and Special Service Campaign General Procedures document on TIS.

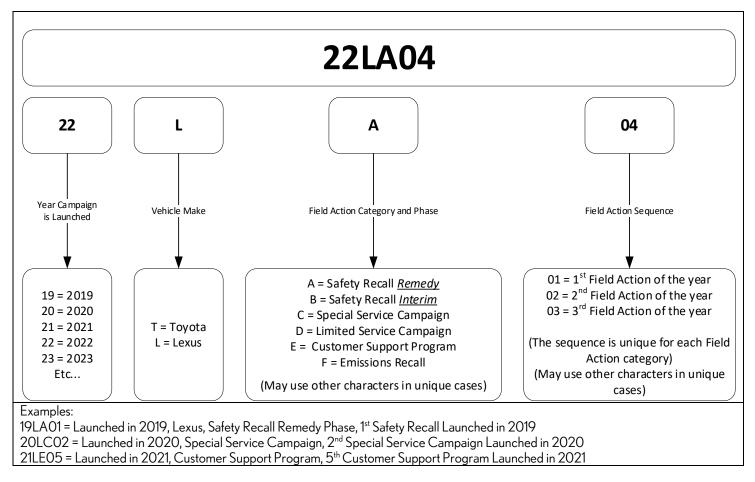
Claim Filing Accuracy and Correction Requests

It is the dealer's responsibility to file claims correctly for this Safety (Noncompliance) Recall. This claim filing information is used by Lexus for various government reporting activities; therefore, claim filing accuracy is crucial. If it has been identified that a claim has been filed using an incorrect Op Code or a claim has been filed for an incorrect VIN, refer to Warranty Procedure Bulletin PRO17-03 to correct the claim.

Customer Reimbursement

Reimbursement consideration instructions will be included in the owner letter.

Campaign Designation / Phase Decoder



Please review this entire package with your Service and Parts staff to familiarize them with the proper step-by-step procedures required to implement this Safety (Noncompliance) Recall.

Thank you for your cooperation. LEXUS, A DIVISION OF TOYOTA MOTOR SALES, U.S.A., INC.



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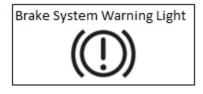
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Q1: What is the condition?

A1: The electronic parking brake (EPB) in the subject vehicles may not engage or disengage properly. An EPB that cannot be engaged could be a noncompliance with a federal safety standard and result in vehicle rollaway, increasing the risk of a crash.

Q2: Are there any symptoms/warnings before the condition can occur?

A2: No. However, if the condition occurs, warning lights will illuminate and a warning message will appear on the instrument panel.



Q2a: What if I experience the condition, is there anything I can do about it?

A2a: Turning the ignition off and then back on again <u>may</u> allow operation of the EPB, but the condition could occur again if the system is not repaired.

Q3: What is Lexus going to do?

A3: For all involved vehicles, Lexus dealers will update the skid control ECU software *FREE OF CHARGE*.

Q4: Which and how many vehicles are covered by this Safety (Noncompliance) Recall?

A4: There are approximately 19,400 vehicles covered by this Safety (Noncompliance) Recall.

Model Name	Model Year	Production Period
NX 250	2022	Late May 2021 – Late August 2022
NX 350	2022	Early April 2021 – Late August 2022

Q4a: Are there any other Lexus/Toyota/Scion vehicles covered by this Safety (Noncompliance) Recall in the U.S.?

A4a: Yes, there are approximately 64,300 Toyota Tundra vehicles covered by this Safety (Noncompliance) Recall.

Q4b: I have a 2022 model year NX hybrid vehicle, is my vehicle affected?

A4b: The NX350h and NX450h+ are not involved in this Safety (Noncompliance) Recall because they have a different Skid Control ECU design and EPB control program.

Q5: How long will the repair take?

A5: The repair takes approximately one hour. However, depending upon the dealer's work schedule, it may be necessary to make the vehicle available for a longer period of time.

Q6: How does Lexus obtain my mailing information?

A6: Lexus uses an industry provider who works with each state's Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to receive registration or title information, based upon the DMV records. Please make sure your registration or title information is correct.

Q7: What if I have additional questions or concerns?

A7: If you have additional questions or concerns, please contact the Lexus Brand Engagement Center at 1-800-255-3987 Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, Saturday 9:00 am to 7:00 pm Eastern Time.