

## **New Safety Recall Advanced Communication – A7A**

FCA US LLC (FCA US) has announced a safety recall on certain 2022 through 2024 Model Year (WS) Wagoneer and Grand Wagoneer.

## REASON FOR THIS SAFETY RECALL

Some of the above vehicles may have been built with third-row seat belt buckles that are inaccessible or damaged. An inaccessible or damaged buckle may leave the occupant unable to fasten the seat belt. If this warning is not heeded, an unfastened seat belt may increase the risk of injury to occupants during certain types of crashes.

Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard ("FMVSS") No. 571.208 Occupant crash protection. S7.2 Latch mechanism. states that "...each seat belt assembly installed in any vehicle shall have a latch mechanism that complies with the requirements specified in S7.2(a) through (d), [about accessibility and function for release]...". FMVSS No. 571.209 Seat belt assemblies. S4.4 Requirements for assembly performance. ...(b) states "Type 2 seat belt assembly. ... a Type 2 seat belt assembly including webbing, straps, buckles, adjustment and attachment hardware, and retractors shall comply with the following requirements when tested by the procedure specified in S5.3(b): (1) The structural components in the pelvic restraint shall withstand ... 11,120 N." Suspect vehicles may not allow occupants to properly access or fasten the seat belt to the buckle.

## SERVICE ACTION

FCA US will conduct a voluntary safety recall on all affected vehicles to inspect and, if necessary, replace the third-row seat belt buckle. The remedy for this condition is not currently available. Dealers will be notified of the launch of this safety recall by way of established communication methods. This recall is estimated to launch in 4th Quarter of 2023.

We ask that you please take the time to ensure that your personnel are aware of this communication and are prepared to execute a customer friendly process for inquiries regarding involved vehicles.

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