

# TECHNICAL SERVICE BULLETIN A-pillar Trim Panel Twisted - Built On Or Before 23-Sep-2019

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#### Model:

Ford 2020 Escape

**Issue:** Some 2020 Escape vehicles built on or before 23-Sep-2019 may exhibit a condition where the A-pillar trim panel appears twisted at the top of the panel. This may be due to the attachment of the A-pillar trim panel to the A-pillar bracket. To correct this condition, follow the Service Procedure steps to replace the A-pillar trim panel and the A-pillar bracket.

**Action:** Follow the Service Procedure steps to correct the condition on vehicles that meet the following criteria:

- 2020 Escape
- Built on or before 23-Sep-2019
- A-pillar trim panel is twisted at the top of the panel

NOTE: Part quantity refers to the number of that service part number required, which may be different than the number of individual pieces. Service part numbers contain 1 piece unless otherwise stated. "As Needed" indicates the part is required but the number may vary or is not a whole number; parts can be billed out as non-whole numbers, including less than 1.

### **Parts**

Part Number	Description	Quantity
LJ6Z-7803598-AC	Right Side A-pillar Trim Panel	1 Per Affected Side
LJ6Z-7803599-AC	Left Side A-pillar Trim Panel	1 Per Affected Side
LJ6Z-78026A52-C	Right Side A-pillar Bracket	1 Per Affected Side
LJ6Z-78026A32-C	Left Side A-pillar Bracket	1 Per Affected Side

**Warranty Status:** Eligible under provisions of New Vehicle Limited Warranty (NVLW)/Service Part Warranty (SPW)/Special Service Part (SSP)/Extended Service Plan (ESP) coverage. Limits/policies/prior approvals are not altered by a TSB. NVLW/SPW/SSP/ESP coverage limits are determined by the identified causal part and verified using the OASIS part coverage tool.

## **Labor Times**

Description	Operation No.	Time
2020 Escape: Inspect And Replace One (1) A-Pillar Trim Panel And Bracket (Do Not Use With Any Other Labor Operations)		0.4 Hrs.
2020 Escape: Inspect And Replace Both (2) A-Pillar Trim Panels And Brackets (Do Not Use With Any Other Labor Operations)		0.7 Hrs.

#### Repair/Claim Coding

Causal Part:	7803599
Condition Code:	07

# **Service Procedure**

- 1. Is the A-pillar trim panel twisted as shown in Figure 1?
  - (1). Yes proceed to Step 2.
  - (2). No this article does not apply. Refer to Workshop Manual (WSM), Section 501-05 for further diagnostics.

Figure 1



- 2. Remove and discard the A-pillar trim panel. Refer to WSM, Section 501-05.
- 3. Remove the 5 pushpins. (Figure 2)

Figure 2

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- **4.** Position the wiring harness/hose/airbag curtain away from A-pillar bracket.
- 5. Remove the 2 nuts securing the A-pillar bracket. (Figure 3)

Figure 3



- **6.** Remove and discard the A-pillar bracket.
- 7. Install the new A-pillar bracket and tighten the 2 nuts to 5.4 Nm (48 lb-in).
- 8. Reattach the 5 pushpins.
- **9.** Install the new A-pillar trim panel using the twist and pull method to properly seat the panel. (Figure 4) Refer to WSM, Section 501-05.

Figure 4



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