

# TECHNICAL SERVICE BULLETIN Seat Pan Looseness, Lateral Movement, Or Clunk/Thump Noise On Turns

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This bulletin supersedes 20-2171. Reason for update: Concern Carryover to New Model

#### Model:

Ford 2021 Bronco Sport		
2013-2018 C-MAX Hybrid		
2018-2021 EcoSport		
2015-2021 Edge		
2013-2021 Escape		
2018-2021 Expedition		
2016-2019 Explorer		
2015-2018 Focus		
2013-2020 Fusion		
2015-2021 F-150		
2017-2021 F-Super Duty		
2015-2021 Mustang		
2021 Mustang Mach-E		
2019-2021 Ranger		
<b>Lincoln</b> 2015-2019 MKC		
2016-2018 MKX		
2013-2020 MKZ		
2019-2021 Nautilus		

# **Summary**

This article supersedes TSB 20-2171 to update the model year affected.

**Issue:** Some 2013-2018 C-Max, 2013-2020 Fusion/MKZ, 2013-2021 Escape, 2015-2018 Focus, 2015-2019 MKC, 2015-2021 Edge/F150/Mustang, 2016-2018 MKX, 2016-2019 Explorer, 2017-2021 F-Super Duty, 2018-2021 EcoSport/Expedition, 2019-2021 Ranger/Nautilus, 2021 Bronco Sport/Mustang Mach-E vehicles may experience seat pan looseness, lateral movement, or a clunk/thump noise on turns. This may be due to the seat pan track. To correct the condition, follow the Service Procedure steps to install a reinforcement.

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

- One of the following vehicle lines:
  - 2013-2018 C-Max
  - 2013-2020 Fusion/MKZ
  - 2013-2021 Escape
  - 2015-2018 Focus
  - 2015-2021 Edge/F-150/MKC/Mustang
  - 2016-2018 MKX
  - 2016-2019 Explorer
  - 2017-2021 F-Super Duty
  - 2018-2021 EcoSport/Expedition
  - 2019-2021 Ranger/Nautilus

- 2021 Bronco Sport/Mustang Mach-E
- Seat pan looseness, lateral movement, or a clunk/thump noise on turns

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
W709622- S424	Package Contains 4 Pieces, 2 Pieces Required Per Affected Seat	Seat Bolts, Rear (Explorer)	1
W709428- S424	Package Contains 4 Pieces, 2 Pieces Required Per Affected Seat	Seat Bolts, Front (Explorer)	1
W527404- S300	Package Contains 1 Piece, 2 Pieces Required Per Affected Seat	3/8 Inch (9.5 Mm) Wide Host Clamp (Or Equivalent Obtained Locally)	2 Per Affected Seat
Obtain Locally	<del>-</del>	3/4 Inch (19 Mm) Diameter Heater Hose, 1 Inch (25.4 Mm) Long	2 Per Affected Seat

**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
Vehicles Without Seat Front Trim Valance: Install Heater Hose And Clamp On One (1) Front Seat (Do Not Use With Any Other Labor Operations)	212236A	0.4 Hrs.
Vehicles Without Seat Front Trim Valance: Install Heater Hose And Clamp On Both (2) Front Seats (Do Not Use With Any Other Labor Operations)	212236B	0.7 Hrs.
Edge, Expedition, Explorer, MKC, MKX/Nautilus, Mustang Mach-E And MKZ Vehicles Equipped With Seat Front Trim Valance: Install Heater Hose And Clamp On One (1) Front Seat Includes Time To Remove And Install Affected Seat (Do Not Use With Any Other Labor Operations)	212236C	0.7 Hrs.
Edge, Expedition, Explorer, MKC, MKX/Nautilus, Mustang Mach-E And MKZ Vehicles Equipped With Seat Front Trim Valance: Install Heater Hose And Clamp On Both (2) Front Seats Includes Time To Remove And Install Affected Seats (Do Not Use With Any Other Labor Operations)	212236D	1.3 Hrs.

## Repair/Claim Coding

Causal Part:	9661711
Condition Code:	33

## **Service Procedure**

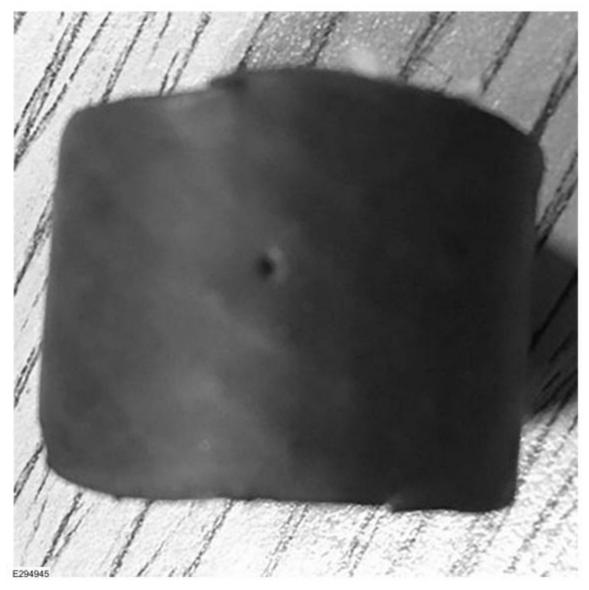
- **1.** Does the customer complain of the seat track exhibiting lateral movement on sharp turns causing a clunk/thump type feeling or noise?
  - (1). Yes proceed to Step 2. Apply this procedure to the affected front seats.
  - (2). No this article does not apply. Refer to Workshop Manual (WSM), Section 501-10A for normal diagnostics.
- 2. Using both height and front tilt functions, adjust the seat to the highest position.
- 3. Is the seat equipped with a front trim valance?
  - (1). Yes remove the front seat for seat track access. Refer to WSM, Section 501-10A. Proceed to Step 4.

- (2). No proceed to Step 4.
- **4.** Is the vehicle equipped with a power seat control module under the seat? (Figure 1)
  - (1). Yes remove the 2 power seat control module retaining screws and remove the power seat control module.
  - (2). No proceed to Step 5.

Figure 1



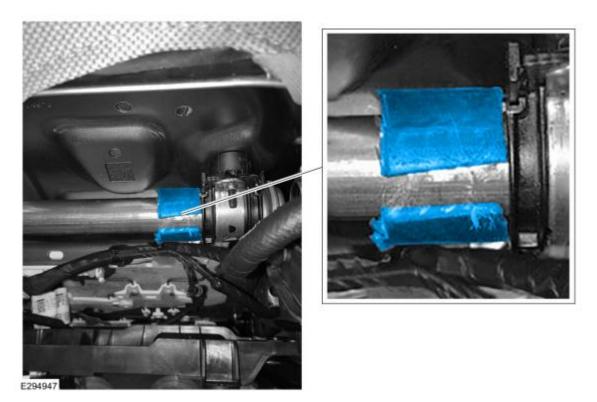
**5.** Cut a 1 inch (25.4 mm) long section of 3/4 inch (19 mm) diameter heater hose. (Figure 2) Figure 2



 $\textbf{6.} \ \text{Cut a slit in the 1 inch (25.4 mm) piece of heater hose. (Figure 3) }$  Figure 3

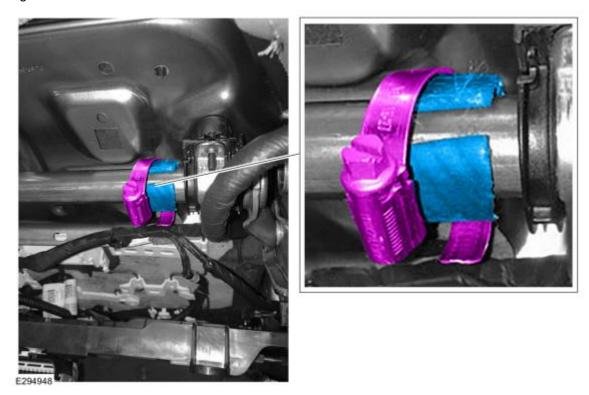


**7.** Install the heater hose over the front cross tube. (Figure 4) Figure 4



**8.** Open the hose clamp and slip the hose clamp over the heater hose, securing the heater hose to the front cross tube. (Figure 5)

Figure 5



**9.** Push the heater hose against the handcuff bracket and tighten the hose clamp to 3.7 Nm (33 in-lbs). (Figures 6-9) Refer to Figures 6-7 for clamp orientation.

Figure 6



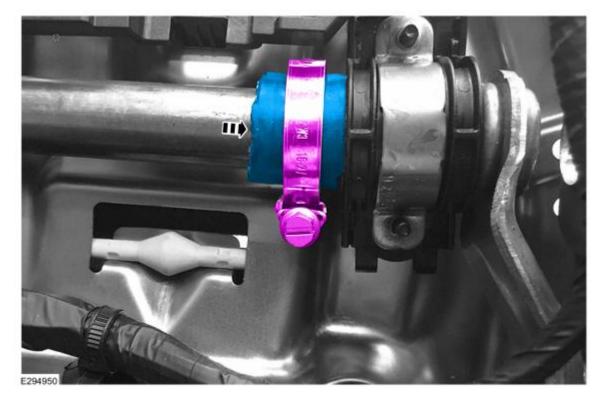


Figure 8

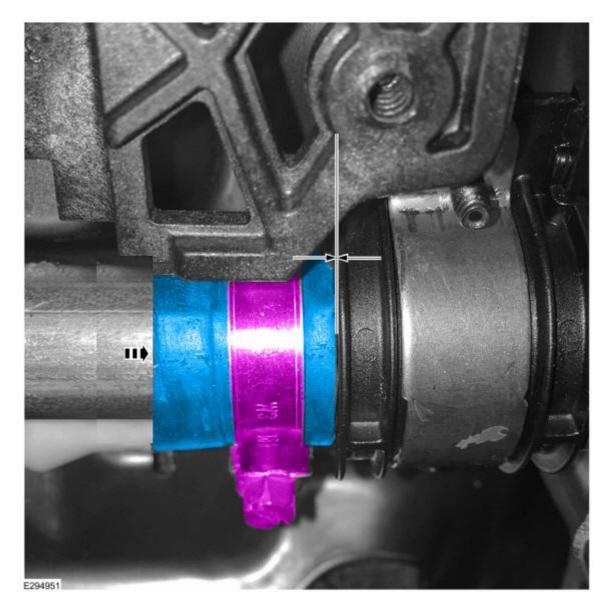
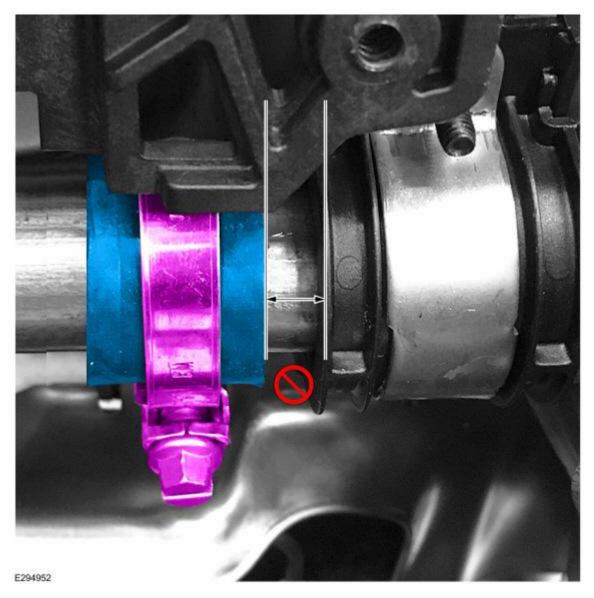


Figure 9



**10.** Repeat Steps 5 through 9 on the other side of the seat track. (Figure 10) Figure 10



- 11. Reinstall the power seat control module if equipped. Refer to WSM, Section 501-10A.
- 12. Reinstall the seat if equipped with a front trim valance. Refer to WSM, Section 501-10A.

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