

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

23V-292

Manufacturer Name : Subaru of America, Inc.

Submission Date : APR 28, 2023

NHTSA Recall No. : 23V-292

Manufacturer Recall No. : WRI-23



Manufacturer Information :

Manufacturer Name : Subaru of America, Inc.

Address : One Subaru Drive

Camden NJ 08103

Company phone : 844-373-6614

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 4,030

Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2023-2023 Subaru Impreza

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : 4-DOOR

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : -Description of the issue:

The affected vehicles may be equipped with a stop lamp switch that was improperly adjusted during assembly.

The basis for how the recall population was determined:

Potentially affected vehicles were identified using vehicle production records.

-How the recalled products differ from products that were not included in the recall:

Vehicles not included in this recall were assembled with a properly adjusted stop lamp switch assembly.

The recall population includes 2023 model year Impreza 4-Door vehicles. The number of potentially affected vehicles is 941.

Production Dates : FEB 01, 2023 - MAR 17, 2023

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

Not sequential

Vehicle 2 : 2023-2023 Subaru Impreza
Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES
Body Style : HATCHBACK
Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : -Description of the issue:
The affected vehicles may be equipped with a stop lamp switch that was improperly adjusted during assembly.

The basis for how the recall population was determined:
Potentially affected vehicles were identified using vehicle production records.

-How the recalled products differ from products that were not included in the recall:
Vehicles not included in this recall were assembled with a properly adjusted stop lamp switch assembly.

The recall population includes 2023 model year Impreza hatchback vehicles. The number of potentially affected vehicles is 3,089.

Production Dates : FEB 06, 2023 - MAR 20, 2023

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

Not sequential

Description of Noncompliance :

Description of the Noncompliance : An improper gap between the brake lamp switch and the stopper may cause the brake lamps to illuminate without application of the brake pedal. It may also be possible to start the vehicle and shift the transmission out of the Park position (P) without pressing the brake pedal.

FMVSS 1 : 108 - Lamps, reflective devices, and assoc. Equipment

FMVSS 2 : 102 - Trans shift lever seq/starter interlock/trans braking effect

Description of the Safety Risk : Brake lamp illumination without driver input may confuse other drivers, increasing the risk of a crash. It may also be possible to start the vehicle and shift the transmission out of the Park position (P) without pressing the brake pedal. If this happens, the vehicle could move unexpectedly, increasing the risk of a crash.

Description of the Cause : During the manufacturing of the brake pedal assembly, the brake lamp switch may not have been appropriately adjusted to allow the specified gap between the switch and the stopper.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : NR

Involved Components :

Component Name 1 : PEDAL ASSY-BRAKE SIN

Component Description : Brake Pedal Assembly

Component Part Number : 36012FL00C

Component Name 2 : PEDAL ASSY-BRAKE SIN

Component Description : Brake Pedal Assembly

Component Part Number : 36012FL01C

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name : Toyotetsu America, Inc.

Address : 100 Pin Oak Dr

Soerset Kentucky 42503

Country : United States

Chronology :

February 17, 2023 - Subaru received a technical report indicating a vehicle was experiencing the brake light illuminating without brake pedal application. Subaru opened an investigation.

March-April 2023 - The results of the investigation indicated that that the stop lamp switch had been improperly adjusted during the assembly process.

April 18, 2023 - Subaru decided to conduct a non-compliance recall. Subaru is aware of 4 technical reports and 1 warranty claim in the U.S. market between February 17, 2023 and April 18, 2023. Subaru is not aware of any crashes or injuries resulting from this non-compliance.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : For all potentially affected vehicles, Subaru dealers will inspect the gap between the stop lamp switch and the stopper and if necessary, adjust the switch to allow for the proper gap.

Subaru will provide reimbursement to owners for repairs according to the general plan submitted in May 2022.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : The issue concerns an inappropriately adjusted component, and not a defective component. After the remedy, the brake lamp switch will be appropriately adjusted to ensure the proper operation of the brake lamp switch and brake lamp illumination function.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : Subaru corrected the condition in the vehicle manufacturing process beginning March 21, 2023.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Dealer notification occurred on April 19, 2023

Owner notification is scheduled to begin on or about June 23, 2023

Planned Dealer Notification Date : APR 25, 2023 - APR 25, 2023

Planned Owner Notification Date : JUN 23, 2023 - JUN 23, 2023

* NR - Not Reported