

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 23V-198

**Manufacturer Name :** Ford Motor Company**Submission Date :** MAR 24, 2023**NHTSA Recall No. :** 23V-198**Manufacturer Recall No. :** 23C09**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Ford Motor Company

Address : 330 Town Center Drive

Suite 500 Dearborn MI 48126-2738

Company phone : 1-866-436-7332

**Population :**

Number of potentially involved : 19

Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

**Vehicle Information :**

Vehicle 1 : 2023-2023 Ford Edge

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : ALL

Power Train : NR

**Descriptive Information :** Affected vehicles are equipped with rear 60% seat-back assemblies with suspect child seat tether wire welds.

Ford's team reviewed supplier process and maintenance records to determine the population of affected parts. The Ford process is capable of tracing rear seatback frame assembly production to the vehicle in which the rear seatback frame assembly is installed.

These vehicles are not produced in VIN order. Information as to the applicability of this action to specific vehicles can best be obtained by either calling Ford's toll-free line (1-866-436-7332) or by contacting a local Ford or Lincoln dealer who can obtain specific information regarding the vehicles from the Ford On-line Automotive Service Information System (OASIS) database.

18 Ford Edge vehicles are affected.

Production Dates : FEB 24, 2023 - FEB 24, 2023

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

 Not sequential

Vehicle 2 : 2023-2023 Lincoln Nautilus

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : ALL

Power Train : NR

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1 Lincoln Nautilus vehicle is affected.

Production Dates : FEB 24, 2023 - MAR 24, 2023

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

Not sequential

## Description of Noncompliance :

**Description of the Noncompliance :** Seat back assemblies with suspect child seat tether wire welds may experience degradation in tether anchorage load carrying capability and as a result may not meet FMVSS 225 Child Restraint Anchorage Systems requirements.

FMVSS 1 : 225 - Child restraint anchorage systems

FMVSS 2 : NR

**Description of the Safety Risk :** A child seat tether with a reduced load carrying capability can increase the risk of injury in a crash.

**Description of the Cause :** Suspect child seat tether welds were insufficiently heated in the weld zone because welding station electrode tips were not replaced per set maintenance frequency.

**Identification of Any Warning that can Occur :** None

## Involved Components :

Component Name 1 : Seat Back

Component Description : Frame Assembly Rear Seat Back – Left Hand (Base)

Component Part Number : FU5A-96613A39-FS

## Supplier Identification :

### Component Manufacturer

Name : Magna Mississauga

Address : 400 Courtney Park Drive East

Unit 1 Mississauga Foreign States L5T 2S5

Country : Canada

## Chronology :

On March 7, 2023, an issue pertaining to suspect child seat tether wire welds was brought to Ford's Critical Concern Review Group for review.

On February 28, 2023, Ford's Tier 1 supplier notified Ford Oakville Assembly plant (OAC) that rear 60% seat-back assemblies with suspect child seat tether wire welds were shipped to Oakville Assembly. The assemblies contained seat back frames shipped in error from rejected stock by Tier 2 Supplier.

A stop ship was issued on March 2, 2023.

As of March 14, 2023, Ford is not aware of any warranty claims, or VOQs as a result of this concern.

On March 17, 2023, Ford's Field Review Committee reviewed the concern and approved a field action.

Ford is not aware of any reports of accident or injury related to this condition.

Company information for Cam-slide, Tier 2 supplier of the suspect seat back frames to Tier 1 supplier Magna, is shown below.

Company Name: Cam-slide

Address 1: 550 New park Blvd

Address 2:

City: Newmarket

State: Ontario

Zip Code: L3X 2S2

Country: Canada

Company Contact Information

First Name: Brian  
Last Name: Heath  
Position: General Manager  
Phone: 416-371-4249  
E-mail: brian.heath@magna.com

## Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Owners will be notified by mail and instructed to take their vehicle to a Ford or Lincoln dealer to have the seat back frame on the 2nd row 60% seat replaced . There will be no charge for this service.

Ford provided the general reimbursement plan for the cost of remedies paid for by vehicle owners prior to notification of a safety recall in May 2021. The ending date for reimbursement eligibility is estimated to be May 26th, 2023.

Ford will forward a copy of the notification letters to dealers to the agency when available.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : The replacement 2nd row 60% seat back frame (FU5A-96613A39-FS) will contain proper child seat tether wire welds.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : NR

## Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Notification to dealers is expected to occur on March 27th, 2023. Mailing of owner notification letters is expected to begin May 8th, 2023, and is expected to be completed by May 12th, 2023.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : MAR 27, 2023 - MAR 27, 2023

Planned Owner Notification Date : MAY 08, 2023 - MAY 12, 2023

\* NR - Not Reported