

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

25V363

Manufacturer Name: Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A.

Submission Date: May 30, 2025

NHTSA Recall No.: 25V363

Manufacturer Recall No.: MC25-06

Manufacturer Information

Population

Manufacturer Name: Kawasaki Motors Corp.,

U.S.A.

Address: PO Box 25252

Santa Ana CA, 92799-5252

Total number of potentially involved: 482

Estimated percentage with defect: 1%

Vehicle Information

Vehicle 1: 2025-2025 KAWASAKI W230

Product Category: Motorcycles **Product Type:** Motorcycles

Fuel / Propulsion: Compressed Natural Gas

Production Dates: Oct 02, 2024 - Mar 31, 2025

Number of potentially involved: 482

Descriptive Information:

The affected vehicles containing the problem are certain 2025 BJ230A (W230 ABS) models. The recall population was determined by the beginning and ending production date for the models affected.

Defect / Noncompliance Description

Description of the defect or noncompliance:

The electrical ground connection between the battery and frame on some units might be unstable due to interference created by the existence of cosmetic paint on the portion of the engine mount designed to ground the engine.

FMVSS1:

FMVSS2:

Description of the safety risk, including crash, fire, death, injury:

Continued vehicle use may cause the engine to stall while operating due to an interruption of current to certain essential electrical components, such as the ECU, increasing the risk of an injury.

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Description of the cause:

Improper electrical ground connection.

Identification of any warning that can occur:

None

Component Manufacturer

Tier of Supplier:

Supplier Type: OEM

Name: Kawasaki Motors Ltd.

Address: 1-1, Kawasaki-cho

Akashi, Hyogo Foreign States, 673-866

Country: Japan

Involved Components

Component Name 1: CRANKCASE
Component Description: Crankcase
Component Part Number: 14080-0976

Chronology

□March 2025, Kawasaki Motors Ltd.	(KML) received three reports	of stalled engines from its Japanese
distributor (KMJ).		

□ April 2025, KML's investigation revealed that the electrical ground connection between the battery and frame on some units might be unstable due to the interference created by the existence of cosmetic paint on the portion of the engine mount designed to ground the engine. KML discovered that continued vehicle use may cause the engine to stall while operating due to an interruption of current to the certain electrical components, such as the ECU. KML also received a fourth report of a similar occurrence from KMJ.

□May 23, 2025, KML decided to initiate a recall campaign.

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Description of Remedy

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Remedy Type: Repair			
Consumer Advisories: Do Not Drive Park Outside			
Description of remedy program:			
All eligible units require a new harness to connect the battery's negative terminal to the engine and frame creating a secure ground connection and maintain a stable flow of current to the electrical components.			
How remedy component differs from recalled component:			
Distinguish by checking the white paint mark to the left of the VIN.			
Identify how/when recall condition was corrected in production:			
Since May 2025, design instructions for cosmetic paint on the vehicle's engine were changed so that the paint does not interfere with the connection between the engine and frame. This ensures a stable electrical ground connection.			
Reimbursement Plan			
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Description of reimbursement program: The plan of reimbursement will be described on the owner's letter as follows: If you have experienced the failure described above prior to receiving this letter and have paid to have it corrected, you may be eligible for full or partial reimbursement for your documented cost of repair(s). To apply for reimbursement, please send copies of current owner and VIN information along with copies of repair orders and payment confirmation to the following address: Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A. ATTN: Customer Care P.O. Box 25252 Santa Ana, California 92799-5252 Period of reimbursement:			
Costs to be reimbursed:			
Address for reimbursement claims: P.O. Box 25252 Santa Ana CA, 92799-5252			
Recall Schedule			
Description of recall schedule:			
KMC will distribute both electronic and paper copies of a Recall Service bulletin to all Kawasaki motorcycle dealers. KMC will mail the owner notification letter via U.S.P.S. enclosed in an envelope with the statement "Important Recall Safety Information" printed on the outside of the envelope.			

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Planned Interim Owner Notification Date:	☐ No Owners
Planned Remedy Owner Notification Date:	☐ Phased Recall
Date when VIN will be searchable:	