

1999 Ford Mustang GT V8-4.6L SOHC VIN X

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RECALL 99V250000: SEAT BELT RETRACTOR DEFECT

NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number: 99V250000

Component: INTERIOR SYSTEMS: ACTIVE SEAT AND SHOULDER BELTS AND BELT ANCHOR

Manufacturer: FORD MOTOR COMPANY

Year: 1999

Make: FORD, FORD, MERCURY

Model: MUSTANG, TAURUS, SABLE

Year of Recall: '99

Type of Report: Vehicle

Potential Number of Units Affected: 29000

Summary:

Vehicle Description: Passenger vehicles. The seat belt retractor may have a pin shaft in the switchable ELR/ALR mechanism that is incorrectly formed. In some circumstances, the switching mechanism could become nonfunctional, preventing the seat belt webbing from extracted from the retractor. It is also possible that malfunction of the mechanism could prevent the belt from being switched into the ALR mode. The ELR mechanism is not affected by this condition.

If the mechanism malfunctions and does not allow the webbing to be extracted, the lap and shoulder belt could not be worn by a vehicle occupant. In the event that the mechanism does not allow the ALR mode to be engaged, the operator may be unable to properly install a child seat in that seating position.

Dealers will inspect the lap and shoulder belt assemblies. Assemblies with julian date codes of 200 through 223 are suspect and will be replaced. Owner notification is expected to begin during October 1999. Owners who take their vehicles to an authorized dealer on an agreed upon service date and do not receive the free remedy within a reasonable time should contact Ford at 1-800-392-3673. Also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-DASH-2-DOT (1-888-327-4236).

