



## **LOUISIANA HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMISSION NEWS RELEASE** **February 27, 2026**

### **Vehicle Safety Recalls Week: Is your car under a safety recall? Find out for free!**

The Louisiana Highway Safety Commission reminds drivers to check their vehicles for open recalls during Vehicle Safety Recalls Week, March 2-8.

Checking for motor vehicle safety recalls is important, easy and free. Go to [www.nhtsa.gov/recalls](http://www.nhtsa.gov/recalls) and enter the vehicle information number (VIN) or use the license plate look-up tool to check for open recalls on the vehicle.

To find your VIN, look on the lower left of the vehicle's windshield. The VIN also is printed on the registration card and may be on the proof-of-insurance card.

*Para obtener información en español, [visite este sitio web.](#)*

If a car or truck is under a recall, call the manufacturer's local dealership and schedule a free repair or part replacement.

Drivers also can check for recalls by downloading the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's SaferCar app for IOS and Android. Car owners can sign up to be notified if future recalls are issued.

The website and app also have information on recalls for child safety seats, vehicle tires and other vehicle equipment.

"Manufacturers mail out notices of recalls, but it's important that owners be proactive and check the website or app to make sure their car or truck is in good condition," LHSC Executive Director Lisa Freeman said. "Vehicle Safety Recalls Week is a great time to get it done."

Recalls are common but should not be ignored. A problem may go undetected until a vehicle part fails and causes a serious hazard.

For example, NHTSA says millions of vehicles are still on the road with faulty airbags from Takata, a Chinese company, that can be deadly in a crash. When the airbag deploys, it can hurl metal shards into a driver's face and chest at 200 miles per hour. So far, 28 people have been killed by the faulty airbags.

The Takata recall is the largest in U.S. history, involving 67 million foreign and domestic vehicles. On February 11, a ["do not drive"](#) warning was issued for all Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep and Ram vehicles with unrepaired air bags.

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