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TO: All U.S. Ford and Lincoln Dealers

SUBJECT: NEW VEHICLE DEMONSTRATION / DELIVERY HOLD Safety Recall 24S42 Certain 2025 Model Year F-650/750 Medium Duty Truck Steering Tie-Rod Assembly Inspection Interim Repair

AFFECTED VEHICLES

	Vehicle	Model Year	Assembly Plant	Build Dates
Ν	F-650/750 Vedium Duty	2025	Ohio Assembly	April 04, 2024, through June 27, 2024

US population of affected vehicles: 2,718. Affected vehicles are identified in OASIS and FSA VIN Lists.

Note: Some vehicles may be in the process of being repaired at the plant. Monitor OASIS before opening an RO and/or beginning a repair. Parts purchased for an FSA can be returned for credit if required. See the EXCESS STOCK RETURN details in Labor Allowances and Parts Ordering Information for more information.

REASON FOR THIS SAFETY RECALL

Affected vehicles may be equipped with steering tie-rod ends that may fracture and result in front axle steering disconnection.

SERVICE ACTION

Before demonstrating or delivering any new in-stock vehicles involved in this recall, dealers are to Inspect the steering tie-rod assembly for the affected production date.

If the steering tie-rod assembly fails inspection, the vehicle cannot be delivered or demonstrated until final repair instructions are available. Parts are expected to be available in the 4th quarter of 2024.

If the steering tie-rod assembly passes inspection, the FSA can be closed out and the unit can be delivered and demonstrated.

This service must be performed on all affected vehicles at no charge to the vehicle owner. For new vehicle storage guidelines, refer to EFC13033, Storage Guidelines for New Vehicles.

OWNER NOTIFICATION MAILING SCHEDULE

Owner letters are expected to be mailed the week of August 12, 2024. Dealers should repair any affected vehicles that arrive at their dealerships, whether or not the customer has received a letter.

PLEASE NOTE:

Federal law requires dealers to complete this recall service before a new vehicle is delivered to the buyer or lessee. Violation of this requirement by a dealer could result in a civil penalty of up to \$27,168 per vehicle. Correct all vehicles in your new vehicle inventory before delivery.

ATTACHMENTS

- Administrative Information
- Labor Allowances and Parts Ordering Information
- Technical Instructions
- Mobile Service Repair Assessment
- Mobile or Pick-Up and Delivery Repair Record
- Owner Notification Letters

QUESTIONS & ASSISTANCE

For questions and assistance, contact the Special Service Support Center (SSSC) via the SSSC Web Contact Site. The SSSC Web Contact Site can be accessed through the Professional Technician System (PTS) website using the SSSC link listed at the bottom of the OASIS VIN report screen or listed under the SSSC tab.

Sincerely,

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MOBILE SERVICE INSPECTION ASSESSMENT LEVEL

- Enhanced Mobile Service

MOBILE INSPECTION RECOMMENDATIONS

- Confirm with the customer a mobile repair is feasible.
- Check OASIS before going to the customer's home or business to confirm if any other outstanding FSA needs to be completed.
- Transportation due to the simplicity of this repair, a specialty vehicle is not required.

MOBILE INSPECTION ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please ensure the technician brings the following to the mobile repair destination:

- Printed Technical Instructions.
- Printed Repair/Work Order or any other necessary documentation as customer copy(s)
 Documents could also be emailed to the customer.
- Shirt/uniform and vehicle graphic with the dealership or Ford logos are recommended. **MOBILE INSPECTION QUESTIONS AND ASSISTANCE**
 - For questions and assistance, contact the Special Service Support Center (SSSC) via the SSSC Web Contact Site. Work with Dealership warranty administrator to create a SSSC contact ID#.
 - Once an SSSC agent responds to the new contact ID#, you may opt to call the SSSC hotline: (800) 325-5621.

OASIS ACTIVATION

OASIS will be activated on July 2, 2024

FSA VIN LISTS ACTIVATION

FSA VIN Lists will be available through <u>https://web.fsavinlists.dealerconnection.com</u> on July 2, 2024. Owner names and addresses will be available by August 13, 2024.

NOTE: Your FSA VIN Lists may contain owner names and addresses obtained from motor vehicle registration records. The use of such motor vehicle registration data for any purpose other than in connection with this recall is a violation of law in several states, provinces, and countries. Accordingly, you must limit the use of this listing to the follow-up necessary to complete this recall.

SOLD VEHICLES

- Ford has not issued instructions to stop selling/delivering or driving used vehicles under this safety recall. Owners should contact their dealers for an appointment to have their vehicles remedied as soon as practicable.
- Immediately contact any of your affected customers whose vehicles are not on your VIN list but are identified in OASIS. Give the customer a copy of the Owner Notification Letter (when available) and schedule a service date.
- Correct other affected vehicles identified in OASIS that are brought to your dealership.
- Dealers are to prioritize repairs of customer vehicles over repairs of new and used vehicle inventory.

STOCK VEHICLES

- Correct all affected units in your new vehicle inventory before delivery.
- Use OASIS to identify any affected vehicles in your used vehicle inventory.

DEALER-OPERATED RENTAL VEHICLES

The Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act law effective June 2016 prohibits a rental company from selling, renting, or leasing vehicles subject to a safety or compliance recall. Please consult your legal counsel for legal advice.

BRANDED / SALVAGED TITLE VEHICLES

Affected branded/salvaged title vehicles are eligible for this recall.

OWNER REFUNDS

- This safety recall must still be performed, even if the owner has paid for a previous repair. Claiming a refund will not close the recall on the vehicle.
- Ford Motor Company is offering a refund for owner-paid repairs covered by this recall if the repair was performed before the date indicated in the reimbursement plan, which is posted with this bulletin. Owners are directed to seek reimbursement through authorized dealers or, at their option, directly through Ford Motor Company at PO Box 6251, Dearborn, MI 48121-6251.
- Dealers are also pre-approved to refund owner-paid <u>emergency</u> repairs that were performed away from an authorized servicing dealer after the end date specified in the reimbursement plan. Non-covered repairs, or those judged by Ford to be excessive, will not be reimbursed.
- Refunds will only be provided for the cost associated with tie-rod assembly replacement.

RENTAL VEHICLES

Rental vehicles are not approved for this program.

MOBILE INSPECTION CLAIMING QUESTIONS

Dealers participating in the Remote Experience Program:

- Ford Dealers refer to EFC14125, 2024 Remote Experience Program.
- Lincoln Retailers refer to EFC14164, 2024 Remote Experience Program.

Dealers <u>NOT</u> participating in the 2024 Remote Experience Program:

- For questions and assistance, contact the Special Service Support Center (SSSC) via the SSSC Web Contact Site. Work with the Dealership warranty administrator to create an SSSC contact ID#.
- Once an SSSC agent responds to the new contact ID#, you may opt to call the SSSC hotline: (800) 325-5621.

ADDITIONAL REPAIR (LABOR TIME AND/OR PARTS)

Additional repairs identified as necessary to complete the FSA should be managed as follows:

- For related damage and access time requirements, refer to the Warranty and Policy Manual / Section 6 – Ford & Lincoln Program Policies / General Information & Special Circumstances for FSAs / Related Damage.
- For vehicles within new vehicle bumper-to-bumper warranty coverage, no SSSC approval is required, although related damage must be on a separate repair line with the "Related Damage" radio button checked.
 - F-650/F-750 trucks 2 years, regardless of miles driven.
- For vehicles outside new vehicle bumper-to-bumper warranty coverage, submit an Approval Request to the SSSC Web Contact Site before completing the repair.

CLAIMS PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION

- **Technician Competency Requirement:** The STST Competency 10 certification requirement in the U.S. market only will be enforced starting with repair orders opened on or after April 1, 2024. FSA repairs will reject if the repairing technician is not certified in STST Competency 10 FSA. See EFC14251 for more details.
- **Claim Entry**: Enter claims using Dealer Management System (DMS) or One Warranty Solution (OWS) online.
 - When entering claims, select claim type 31: Field Service Action. The FSA number 24S42 is the subcode.
 - For additional claims preparation and submission information, refer to the Recall and Customer Satisfaction Program (CSP) Repairs in the OWS User Guide.
- Related Damage/Additional labor and/or parts: Must be claimed as Related Damage on a separate repair line from the FSA with the same claim type and subcode as described in Claim Entry above.

IMPORTANT: Click the Related Damage Indicator radio button.

- **Refunds:** Submit refunds on a separate repair line.
 - Program Code: 24S42 Misc. Expense: ADMIN
 - Misc. Expense: REFUND Misc. Expense: 0.2 Hrs.
 - Multiple refunds should be submitted on one repair line and the invoice details for each repair should be detailed in the comments section of the claim.

• Mobile Inspection:

- o Dealers participating in the Remote Experience Program -
 - Ford Dealers refer to EFC14125, 2024 Remote Experience Program.
 - Lincoln Retailers refer to EFC14164, 2024 Remote Experience Program.
- Dealers NOT participating in the Remote Experience Program -
 - Mobile repair allowances can be claimed for dealer-performed mobile repairs. Dealers that are working with Ford-contracted mobile repair companies should refer to those companies for claiming instructions.
 - For dealer-performed mobile repairs, retain a copy of the Service Management signed record (see Repair Procedure Improvement & Revised Labor Time), with the repair order documentation.
 - Claim the mobile repair allowance Labor Operation Code 24S42MM along with the applicable Labor Operation Code for the repair (refer to the Labor Allowances table in Labor Allowances and Parts Ordering Information).

Labor Allowances and Parts Ordering Information

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LABOR ALLOWANCES

Description	Labor Operation	Labor Time
PASS : Inspect and verify the tie-rod assembly is outside the affected Julian build date. Closes recall.	24S42A	0.3 Hours
DOES NOT PASS: Inspect and the tie-rod assembly is within the affected Julian build date. NOTE: This interim labor operation code should only be used if the steering tie-rod assembly does not pass inspection. This labor operation will not close the recall	24S42AA	0.3 Hours
Mobile Inspection: This allowance is only for <u>non-eligible</u> 2024 Remote Experience Program Dealers. Can be used when the inspection takes place away from the dealership. If Additional Time is Required Due to Travel, Please Submit an SSSC Approval Form.	24S42MM	0.5 Hours

PARTS REQUIREMENTS / ORDERING INFORMATION

Ordering information will be provided in a supplement once parts are available.

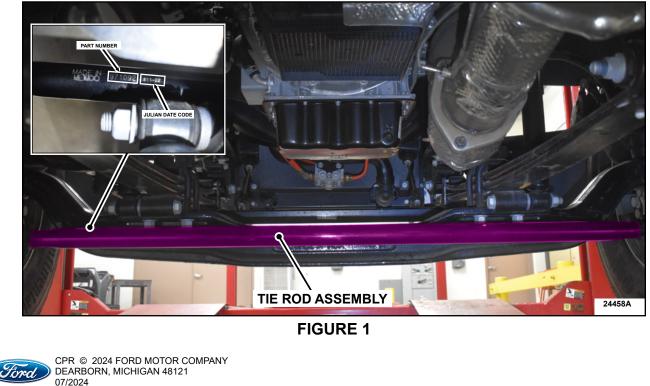
CERTAIN 2025 MODEL YEAR F-650/750 MEDIUM TRUCKS — STEERING LINKAGE TIE ROD ASSEMBLY INSPECTION

SERVICE PROCEDURE

- IMPORTANT! The Service Technician Specialty Training (STST) Competency 10 certification requirement, for U.S. market only, will be enforced starting with repair orders opened on or after April 1, 2024. Field Service Action (FSA) repairs will reject if the repairing technician is not certified in STST Competency 10 FSA. See Electronic Field Communication (EFC) 14251 for more details.
- 1. Locate and record the Part Number and the Julian Date Code printed on the tie rod assembly as shown in Figure 1. Using the chart below, is the Julian Date on the tie rod assembly listed next to its part number on the chart?
 - **Yes** Once parts become available, refer to the full Dealer Bulletin and Technical Instructions for the tie rod assembly replacement.

PART NUMBER	JULIAN DATE CODE						
10036700	100-24	103-24	106-24	107-24			
10036701	101-24	106-24	109-24				
971776	100-24	103-24	110-24	120-24	121-24		
817755	100-24	116-24	117-24				
971092	100-24	106-24	110-24	113-24	115-24	118-24	103-24
971747	108-24						

No - No further action required. Recall Complete.



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Mobile Service Repair Assessment

Assessment levels have been identified to help determine the ease of performing eligible mobile service repairs for a Field Service Action (FSA) outside of the dealership service facility.

Dealer Bulletin

Within the Administrative Information Attachment of the dealer bulletin a mobile service repair assessment level(s) will be provided. These assessment levels have been determined using the amount of time, equipment and labor identified to perform the intended service action.

Assessment Levels

- Mobile Reprogramming
- Light Mobile Service
- Thanced Mobile Service
- Advanced Mobile Service عمر عمر عمر

🕙 - Wheel and Tire Mobile Service

In the service Repair

Description of each level that is used to determine the overall assessment.

Mobile Reprogramming

- Module Programming or similar type services
- Minimum tools maybe required other than an IDS/FDRS setup
- FDRS programming that requires internet connection (wi-fi or mobile hotspot)
- Make sure vehicle has a charge port to ensure battery voltage is maintained during flashing of the module(s)
- Repairs not greater than 1 hour in length (including time to wait for programming) Note: The location will need a charging station or wall box to maintain the 12-volt battery.

Light Mobile Service

- Interior repair procedures that do not require seat, dash, or headliner removal
- Under hood repairs that do not require large component removal
- Exterior repairs that do not require large component/panel removal
- Repairs may require standard hand tools (Access to a Technician starter kit or similar)

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- The service – Enhanced Mobile Service

- A two-person process is required anytime a procedure requires work under the vehicle
- Brake Inspection and Brake Repair/Replacement
- Limited Suspension Component replacement (no alignment)
- Under Vehicle access for limited repairs (no large component removal)
- Vehicle Check Up VCU
- Pre-Delivery Inspection PDI
- Used Car Inspection/Presale Inspection
- May require floor jack, jack stands, and impact tools *Note: Wheel lock may be required.*

Advanced Mobile Service

- Fluid Exchange/Oil Change
- Light Repairs
- Brake Hydraulic Repairs

- Tire Removal from Wheel
- Tire Balancing
- Tire Repair

Note: Specialized Mobile Service unit and equipment including Tire balancer and Tire Changer required.

Not a Mobile Service Repair

- Large component removal
- BEV Battery Replacement
- Requires a vehicle hoist to complete the repair (more than inspection)
- Required vehicle alignment
- Requires significant vehicle disassembly
- Repairs greater than 2-3 hours
- Any repairs that require M-Time
- Includes a service procedure where the vehicle owner may be distressed about the state of their vehicle

Mobile or Pick-Up and Delivery Repair Record Page 1 of 1

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Mobile Repair / Vehicle Pick-Up and Delivery Record

VIN rec			eived (check one):				
	Mobile Repa	ir					
	Pick-up and/or delivery service						
As outlined below for the 24S42 Field Service Action program.							
	Mobile Repair – Date:						
			OR				
	Pick-up	– Date:					
	Delivery	– Date:					
Repai	r Order #		Repair Order Date				
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Service Manager Signature			Date				