

**Honda Recall Notification**  
**2003 Model Year Accord Coupe 4-cylinder**  
**Passenger Frontal Airbag Module (Service parts)**

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573.6(c)(2)

**Identification of potentially affected vehicles:**

<u>Make/Model</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>VIN Range/Dates of Manufacture</u>
Honda Accord Coupe 4-cylinder	Certain 2003 model year	1HGCM72753A000001 - 1HGCM72623A037448 March 20, 2002 to Sept. 3, 2003

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**Total number of potentially affected vehicles:**

Approximately 2,500 passenger frontal airbag module service parts may have been sold by Honda in the U.S. or Canada, for which we will contact 37,421 registered owners in the U.S. for inspection and, if necessary, replacement of the passenger's airbag inflator.

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**Percentage of affected vehicles that contain the defect:** Unknown

**Description of the basis for the determination of the recall population:**

The recall population is based on sales and service records. The VIN range reflects all possible vehicles in which the affected components potentially could have been installed.

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**Defect description:**

The 2003MY Honda Accord Coupe 4-cylinder was manufactured with Neaton passenger frontal airbag modules that included Daicel airbag inflators. However, if the original passenger frontal airbag module had to be replaced (due to deployment or other issues), AHM has recently discovered that due to a service part listing error, Takata passenger frontal airbag modules that included Takata airbag inflators (PSPI) would have been used as service parts for these vehicles. If a service part with a Takata inflator were installed, the propellant in the inflators may degrade over time, which could lead to over-aggressive combustion in the event the airbag is activated, which may cause the inflator body to rupture. In the event of an inflator rupture, metal fragments could pass through the airbag cushion material possibly causing serious injury or fatality to vehicle occupants.

573.6(c)(2)(iv)

**Identification of affected component:**

Component: Passenger Frontal Airbag Inflator Module  
Affected Part No: 06780-SDA-A80ZA  
Country of Origin: USA  
Manufacturer: T.K. Holdings, Inc.  
Contact Name: D. Michael Rains  
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**Chronology:**

Dec. 21, 2016

AHM was notified of an abnormal deployment claim in a 2003MY Honda Accord Coupe 4-cylinder, for both driver-side and passenger-side frontal airbags, and started an investigation.

December 23, 2016

Internal AHM documents showed both Neaton and Takata as suppliers for the passenger frontal airbag modules for 2003MY Honda Accord Coupe 4-cylinder. AHM requested Honda Motor Co. (HMC) in Japan to investigate and confirm the application of airbag module suppliers.

February 16, 2017

HMC confirmed that Neaton modules were used for mass production while Takata modules were used for service parts only for the 2003MY Honda Accord Coupe 4-cylinder.

February 22, 2017

AHM completed investigation of the abnormal deployment claim and confirmed both of the modules in the vehicle to be original equipment (non-Takata, with no abnormal deployment).

March 23, 2017

Honda Motor Co., Ltd., determined a safety defect exists and decided to conduct a safety recall.

As of 3/23/17 Honda has received 0 warranty claims, 0 field reports and 0 injuries related to this issue.

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**Program for remedying the defect:**

The owners of all affected vehicles will be contacted by mail and asked to take their vehicle to a Honda automobile dealer. The dealer will inspect the passenger frontal airbag module and, if it contains a Takata inflator, the inflator will be replaced with a Daicel inflator, free of charge.

573.6(c)(8)(ii)

<b>The estimated date to start notification to dealers:</b>	March 31, 2017
<b>The estimated date to start notifications to owners:</b>	May 1, 2017
<b>The estimated date to stop notifications to owners:</b>	May 1, 2017

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**Manufacturer's campaign number:** KF0