

# Takata Airbag Recall – What You Need to Know

## Why are airbags being recalled?

Takata, a Japanese safety-parts manufacturer, has had its defective airbags installed in more than a hundred million cars worldwide. These airbags use ammonium nitrate to inflate, but the chemical compound degrades when it's exposed to moisture. In a defective Takata airbag deployment, the ammonium nitrate burns aggressively, exploding its metal canister and shooting shards of metal.

## How do I know if my car has Takata-manufactured airbags?

The first step is to identify if your car is affected by the recall. A list of the vehicles currently on recall is available on the [Product Safety Australia website](#). This list of affected cars is constantly growing – so it's wise to check every few months.

## How will I hear if my car is recalled?

Manufacturers have been contacting affected owners, mostly by mail. It is hard to track down older cars – which are also the cars that are most vulnerable. This is because they change owners when sold. If the car you own was purchased second hand through us, check if it's on the recall list by visiting the Product Safety Australia website or by directly contacting the manufacturer.

## Is the recall free or does it cost me?

The cost of the recall is free and covered by the manufacturer.

## What steps should I take?

1. Confirm if your vehicle is affected here:

Honda: <http://ow.ly/QNCM30dSLkP>

Subaru: <http://ow.ly/VnEI30dSLIJ>

Mitsubishi: <http://ow.ly/jYYp30dSLmj>

2. If your vehicle is affected please call us to book in. Please note we are experiencing a high volume of recall related calls - we apologise and thank you for your understanding.

Maroochydore: 5450 3300

Noosa: 5440 3600

Nambour: 5441 9500

3. For more information on the recall please visit the Product Safety Australia Website:

<http://ow.ly/SF6b30dSLw2>