

2000 MY Toyota Tundra and 1999 - 2000 MY Toyota Tacoma Trailer Towing Wire Harness Converter Safety Recall Notice

Dear Toyota Owner:

This notice is being sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Toyota has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain 2000 model year Toyota Tundra and 1999 - 2000 model year Toyota Tacoma trucks equipped with the genuine Toyota Trailer Towing Wire Harness Converter (converters).

The converter (included as a component of the Toyota Towing Hitch Kit Accessory) integrates the vehicle's tail lights, brake lights, and turn-signal lights with those equipped on a trailer.

What is the problem?

An electrical short or open circuit can cause a fault in the genuine Toyota Trailer Towing Wire Harness Converter. This can cause a failure of the converter, and if a trailer is being towed at the time, non-operation of the trailer lights. In limited cases, the converter housing could become heat-deformed. In the worst case, driving without trailer lights will increase the possibility of a vehicle accident.

What will Toyota do?

Any Toyota dealer will inspect, and if your vehicle is so equipped, replace the converter with an improved one at NO COST to you.

What Should You Do?

Contact any authorized Toyota dealer to schedule an appointment for the replacement of the genuine Toyota Trailer Harness Converter as soon as possible.

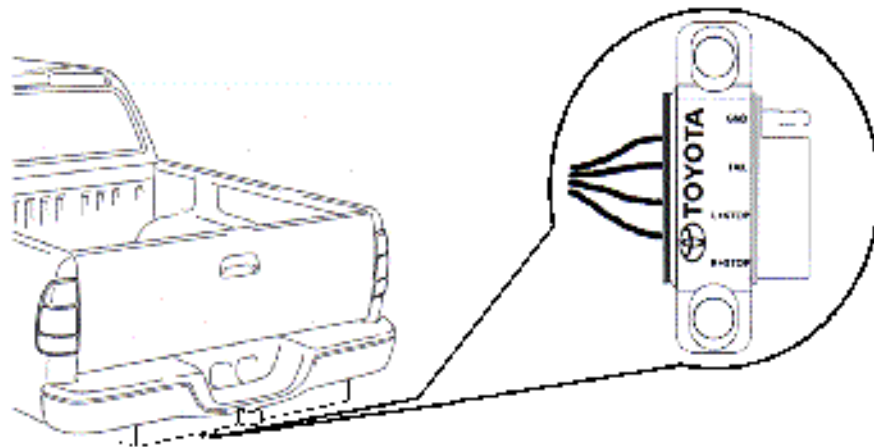
The labor time for the replacement of the Converter is slightly less than 1 hour. However, depending upon the dealer's work schedule, it may be necessary to make your vehicle available for a longer period of time.

Please present this notice to the dealer when you bring the vehicle in for your service appointment.

If you determine your vehicle is not equipped with a Trailer Towing Hitch, the involved genuine Toyota converter, or you no longer own the vehicle, please check the appropriate box on the attached postage paid form and return it to us.

How can you identify the affected genuine Toyota Trailer Towing Wire Harness Converter?

If you prefer to inspect the vehicle yourself, the converter can be identified by using a mirror to inspect the underside of the Flat Four trailer connector (mounted on the driver's side, under the Trailer Towing Hitch) for the Toyota Logo as indicated in the diagram.



What if you have other questions?

Please contact any Toyota dealer or call the Toyota Customer Assistance Center at 800-331-4331.

If you believe that the dealer or Toyota has failed or is unable to remedy the defect within a reasonable time, you may submit a complaint to the administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street S.W., Washington, D.C. 20590, or call the toll free Auto Safety Hot Line at 888-327-4236 (Washington, D.C. area residents may call 366-0123).

We have sent this notice in the interest of your continued satisfaction with our products, and we sincerely regret any inconveniences this condition may have caused you.

Thank you for driving a Toyota.

Sincerely,

TOYOTA MOTOR SALES, U.S.A., INC.