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Toyota recalls 422K Lexus vehicles for fuel leak

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Lexus LS sedan

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Toyota Corp. is recalling 422,509 of its Lexus models from 2006-2011 due to a chance of a fuel leak that can raise the risk of fires.

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Beginning next month, Toyota will notify owners of the affected vehicles so they can have their cars repaired at a dealership. Through this recall, Lexus is getting ahead of the problem, which will likely be a welcome preventative measure.

Taking precaution

This recall impacts Lexus LS models from 2007-2010, GS vehicles from 2006-2011 and the automaker's IS from 2006-2011.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration says that anti-corrosion plating remnants may cause fuel to leak from the fuel pressure sensor, where the sensor is attached to the fuel delivery pipe.



Lexus GS

Dealers will clean and reseal the fuel pressure sensor for free.

Toyota told the NHTSA that it was unaware of any fires associated with this issue.

Other automakers have held similar precautionary recalls to prevent injuries.

German automaker BMW is recalling 1.6 million 3 Series vehicles produced between 1999 and 2006 as a measure of caution.

The airbag in the targeted vehicle could potentially explode in certain circumstances, and the brand wants to remove all likelihood of a crisis. Following the rolling crisis at General Motors, automakers everywhere must be extra diligent about vehicle safety ([see story](#)).

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