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## Maserati recalls 1.4K cars for potential fuel leakage

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*Maserati's Ghibli is part of the automaker's recall. Image credit: Maserati*

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Italian automaker Maserati is recalling its 2018 Ghibli and Quattroporte models in North America after discovering a potential fire hazard in the cars.

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The vehicles impacted have a potential defect in the fuel delivery pipe, which could lead to a leak and fire in the engine compartment or under the car. According to a report from [Bloomberg](#), the sedans that are affected have not yet been delivered to customers in the United States or Canada.

### Stopping sales

Maserati discovered the potential problem during functional test drive testing on Dec. 11. According to the automaker's report with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration submitted Dec. 21, Maserati contacted the supplier, SumiRiko Italy, who noted that the issue was caused by a deviation in a process.

After the supplier indicated the time period affected, Maserati decided to stop sales to the affected markets in North America.

Maserati will install new fuel delivery line kits on the recalled vehicles, and will notify owners via a letter. The automaker says that all of the 1,406 cars manufactured between July 24 and Dec. 14 are affected.



*Maserati's Quattroporte. Image credit: Maserati*

Recalls are not uncommon among luxury marques, with a number of automakers noting defects in recent years. Within the last month, Aston Martin issued a recall of 5,000 of its vehicles for issues with the powertrain or battery cables.

Many luxury automakers' recalls impact a limited number of vehicles, but some have been more widespread.

In 2016, British automaker Jaguar Land Rover North America began the recall process for vehicles fitted with faulty Takata airbags.

While the automaker is not aware of any incidents with the passenger side airbags in question, the devices run the risk of deploying abnormally and hitting riders with metal fragments. The first wave of recalls, addressed 54,000 of the total 108,000 affected vehicles, which include Jaguar XF and Range Rover models ([see story](#)).

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