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Jaguar Land Rover ordered to pay damages over manufacture defects

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Range Rover Vogue SUV involved in lawsuit. Image credit: Jaguar Land Rover

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Jaguar Land Rover will be forced to pay damages in a court case due to a manufacturing defect, which caused a safety hazard.

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The Range Rover Vogue SUV model was first brought up in court in 2013, after an owner's engine caught fire and he filed a complaint. Grol Law Office filed a lawsuit on behalf of client Engin Yakut in that year, which eventually led to Istanbul's eighth Consumer Court ordering Jaguar Land Rover to pay damages this month.

Driving lawsuits

Mr. Yakut filed with the first Consumer Court of Istanbul in 2013, which resulted in a hearing in the eighth court.

From there, the lawsuit was accepted and the model in question was deemed to have manufacture defects, starting from the factory. All other cases regarding the defect were consolidated into one in 2016, following a recall in 2014.

A panel of nine professors from Yildiz and Istanbul Technical Universities released three expert opinion reports based on investigations at Land Rover's official distributor, which resulted in the ruling.



Range Rover Vogue. Image credit: Jaguar Land Rover

"We want to be asked about the case related to the vehicle's Distributor in Turkey, Borusan A., with a memorandum written regarding the same model to determine whether there are any further appeals about the vehicle," said Dr. Candas Grol, a lawyer with Grol Law Office, in a statement.

The British automaker was also recently in the press due to reducing its global workforce by 4,500 as part of its strategy to cut costs by 2.5 billion pounds, or about \$3.2 million.

In the latest phase of the company's "Charge and Accelerate" program, Jaguar Land Rover aimed for a leaner, more efficient structure. This latest round of job cuts adds the 1,500 positions eliminated at the automaker in 2018 ([see story](#)).

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