

## **Recall Bulletin**









# PRODUCT SAFETY RECALL

SUBJECT: Replace Ignition Key

MODELS: 2005-2010 Chevrolet Cobalt 2006-2011 Chevrolet HHR 2006-2010 Pontiac Solstice 2005-2006 Pontiac Pursuit (Canada Only) 2007-2010 Pontiac G5 2003-2007 Saturn Ion 2007-2010 Saturn Sky

The Part Information and Warranty Transaction Information sections have been revised. Discard all copies of bulletin 14133C.

When a customer calls for a service appointment, they should be reminded to bring <u>all</u> keys for their vehicle with them when they come to your dealership for this repair. Also, on the last page of this bulletin is an important notice that must be provided to each customer when they return for their vehicle.

Vehicles involved in this safety recall are also involved in safety recall 13454, 14063 or 14092. Check the Investigate Vehicle History (IVH) screen in the GM Global Warranty Management (GWM) system to determine which additional field action is applicable. Perform the service procedure provided in that bulletin in conjunction with the repair described in this bulletin. In the interest of customer satisfaction and to assist with dealer throughput, recall repairs for 14133 and 13454, 14063 or 14092 should be performed in a single visit.

### CONDITION

General Motors has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in all 2005-2010 model year (MY) Chevrolet Cobalt, 2006-2011 MY Chevrolet HHR, 2007-2010 MY Pontiac G5, 2006-2010 MY Pontiac Solstice, 2005-2006 Pontiac Pursuit, 2003-2007 MY Saturn Ion, and 2007-2010 MY Saturn Sky vehicles. Some of these vehicles may have a condition in which the ignition key may be removed when the ignition is not in the "Off" position. If the ignition key is removed when the ignition is not in the "Off" position, unintended vehicle motion may occur: (a) for an automatic transmission, if the transmission is not in "Park"; or (b) for a manual transmission, if the parking brake is not engaged and the transmission is not in reverse gear. This could result in a vehicle crash and occupant or pedestrian injuries.

General Motors has also determined that all 2005 and some 2006 MY Chevrolet Cobalt vehicles and all 2003-2004 MY Saturn Ion vehicles may fail to conform to FMVSS 114, Theft Prevention and Rollaway Prevention, as a result of this condition.

Whenever a customer contacts you about the recalls it is imperative that you remind them of the following:

Until the recall repairs have been performed, it is <u>very</u> important that you remove all items from your key ring, leaving only the vehicle key. The key fob (if applicable), should also be removed from your key ring. Also, when exiting your vehicle, always make sure your vehicle is in "Park", or in the case of a manual transmission, put the transmission into reverse gear. Always set the parking brake.

After the repairs, only use the new round hole keys and rings that have been provided to you by your dealer. Destroy any old slotted keys you still have that have not been turned into your GM dealer. Your GM dealer will provide replacement keys for your vehicle free of charge for the life of the vehicle. If you obtain an ignition key elsewhere, always use a key of the exact same design as the repair key, including the shape, and size, and with only a round key hole.

Also, please request that they bring <u>all</u> keys and key fobs for their vehicle with them when they come to your dealership for this repair.

### **CORRECTION**

Dealers will cut and, if necessary, re-learn two new ignition keys and attach the provided key ring to each key.

**Note:** GM records indicate that these vehicles (subject to recall 14133) were built with the redesigned ignition cylinder or had the ignition cylinder replaced with the redesigned part; therefore, replacement of the ignition cylinder is not required. All of these vehicles require the ignition switch to be replaced (under recall 13454, 14063 or 14092), in conjunction with replacing the two ignition keys.

**Note:** Vehicles which GM records indicate were built with the defective ignition cylinder and have not previously had the ignition cylinder replaced with the redesigned part are subject to a different recall (14113), where dealers will replace the ignition cylinder, and cut and, if necessary, re-learn two ignition keys, in addition to replacing the ignition switch (under recall 13454, 14063 or 14092).

### VEHICLES INVOLVED

All involved vehicles are identified by Vehicle Identification Number on the Investigate Vehicle History screen in GM Global Warranty Management system. Dealership service personnel should always check this site to confirm vehicle involvement prior to beginning any required inspections and/or repairs. It is important to routinely use this tool to verify eligibility because not all similar vehicles may be involved regardless of description or option content.

For dealers with involved vehicles, a listing with involved vehicles containing the complete vehicle identification number, customer name, and address information has been prepared and will be provided to U.S. and Canadian dealers through the GM GlobalConnect Recall Reports, or sent directly to export dealers. Dealers will not have a report available if they have no involved vehicles currently assigned.

The listing may contain customer names and addresses obtained from Motor Vehicle Registration Records. The use of such motor vehicle registration data for any purpose other than follow-up necessary to complete this recall is a violation of law in several states/provinces/countries. Accordingly, you are urged to limit the use of this report to the follow-up necessary to complete this recall.

### PART INFORMATION

The parts required to complete this recall are to be obtained from General Motors Customer Care and Aftersales (GMCCA). Please refer to your "involved vehicles listing" before ordering parts. Normal orders should be placed on a DRO = Daily Replenishment Order. In an emergency situation, parts should be ordered on a CSO = Customer Special Order.

In order to simplify the dealer ordering process for all ignition switch recall parts, effective December 15, 2014, direct dealer ordering of a required part kit will be available. Dealers will no longer be required to provide the ignition switch part number (23228993 or 23215459), as a CSO order, with the VIN in the notes field to obtain the correct kit.

To assist dealers in determining the correct kit part number to order, we have created an Ignition Switch Ordering Tool. This tool is located in GM GlobalConnect on the Parts Workbench application and will provide the correct kit part number based on the VIN entered. For part number 23232575 or 23232576, in instances where stock is on-hand, please see the table below for the applicable kit part number.

**Note:** Kits ordered through GMCCA will contain the parts required to complete this recall as well as to complete safety recall 13454, 14063 or 14092, whichever is applicable. Kit part numbers 23232575 and 23232576 are not included in the Ignition Switch Ordering Tool and referencing this table is necessary to match 23232575 and 23232576 with the correct vehicle.

Recall 13454 and 14133	Kit Part Number *	Quantity/Vehicle	
2005-2007 Chevrolet Cobalt	23232575 (Old) or 23234399 (New)	1	
2005-2006 Pontiac Pursuit	23232576 (Old) or 23240429 (New)	1	
2007 Pontiac G5	23232576 (Old) or 23240429 (New)	1	
Recall 14063 and 14133	Kit Part Number *	Quantity/Vehicle	
2006-2007 Chevrolet HHR	23232575 (Old) or 23234399 (New)	1	
2006-2007 Pontiac Solstice	23232576 (Old) or 23240429 (New)	1	
2003-2007 Saturn Ion	23232576 (Old) or 23237274 (New)	1	
2007 Saturn Sky	23232576 (Old) or 23240429 (new)	1	
Recall 14092 and 14133	Kit Part Number	Quantity/Vehicle	
2008-2010 Chevrolet Cobalt	23237272	1	
2008-2011 Chevrolet HHR	23237272	1	
2008-2010 Pontiac Solstice	23237273	1	
2008-2010 Pontiac G5	23237273	1	
2008-2010 Saturn Sky	23237273	1	

\* Either the "old" or "new" kit part number can be used.

## Please refer to GM GlobalConnect message G\_0000206665 (Canada GMP2014-255) for instructions on using the Ignition Switch Ordering Tool and FAQ sheet.

### SERVICE PROCEDURE

**Note:** Vehicles involved in this safety recall are also involved in safety recall 13454, 14063 or 14092. Check the Investigate Vehicle History (IVH) screen in the GM Global Warranty Management (GWM) system to determine which additional field action is applicable. Perform the service procedure provided in that bulletin in conjunction with the repair described in this bulletin.

1. Cut two new ignition/door keys and attach the provided key ring to each key.

Note: Use a Tech 2 or a Tech 2 WIN scan tool to perform a key learn or programming event.

2. Program the new keys to the vehicle, if required. Refer to" Replacing Keys" in SI.

### The following vehicles do NOT require any KEY programming:

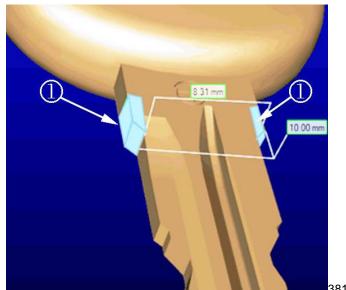
2003-2007 MY Saturn Ion 2005 MY Chevrolet Cobalt 2005 MY Pontiac Pursuit

**Note:** Verify key function in the ignition cylinder as well as all door and trunk lock cylinders prior to delivery to the customer. If the replacement key will not work in the doors or trunk of the vehicle, refer to Replacement Key Modification in this bulletin.

**Note:** Do not return the old keys to the customer. These keys must be destroyed and not reused. Inform the customer to destroy and not use any keys that were not brought in for this repair.

### **Replacement Key Modification**

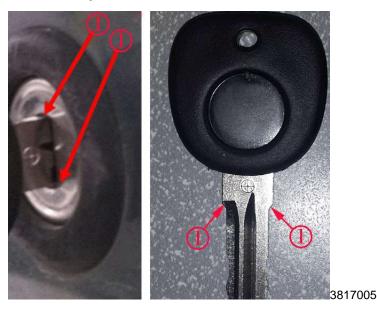
For the Saturn Ion only, if the replacement key profile is wider near the key head than the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) key, it may only work in the ignition lock cylinder and not in the doors or trunk. The replacement key may require modification BEFORE it can be used to open a vehicle door or trunk. Perform the Key Modification procedure in this bulletin if the replacement key will not open the doors or trunk of the vehicle.



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**Note:** GM Dealers should NOT replace door and trunk lock cylinders or provide two sets of keys (one for the ignition and one for the doors / trunk) to the vehicle owner for this condition.

1. Using a file, remove the extra width of key near the over molded head as shown in blue (1) in the photograph above. Removing this material makes the width of the key 8.3mm (same as the OEM key) rather than 10mm. This will allow the key to enter fully into the door and trunk lock cylinders.



**Note:** Without the modification, the key stops on the shoulder and will not fully enter the key lock cylinder. Refer to the photograph.

- 2. Verify key function in the ignition cylinder as well as all door and trunk lock cylinders prior to delivery to the customer.
- 3. Assemble the new key(s), the key fob(s) and the  $\frac{1}{2}$ " key ring together.

After the vehicle is repaired and returned to the customer, it is very important to review and give them a copy of the notice provided on the last page of this bulletin. During the review, you should emphasize the following points:

- All original or previously reproduced keys should be destroyed.
- Customers have received new keys with a small round hole (rather than a slot) and a new 13mm (1/2") key ring that are designed to further reduce any risk of inadvertently moving the ignition key position.
- Any additional keys can be obtained free of charge from a GM dealer. Customers will receive a follow-up communication with details. Please note: Additional key will be made available once initial recall demands are met.
- If you replace a vehicle key, always use a key of the exact same design, including shape, size and key hole.
- Use only the single (1/2") key ring that is small and light and does not make contact with you or parts of the vehicle while driving. Keep no more than one or two essential keys and the key fob (if equipped) on the ring. Do not attach anything else to the key ring.

Finally, please ask customers to review the video message from Jeff Boyer, Vice President, Global Vehicle Safety posted on www.GMIgnitionUpdate.com. It provides additional background on the extensive testing General Motors has done, as well as important reminders consistent with the information above.

### CUSTOMER REIMBURSEMENT - For U.S.

Customer requests for reimbursement of previously paid repairs for the recall condition are to be submitted to the dealer by May 31, 2015, unless otherwise specified by state law. If this is not convenient for the customer, they may mail the completed Customer Reimbursement Request Form and all required documents to the GM Customer Assistance Center.

# All reasonable and customary costs to correct the condition described in this bulletin should be considered for reimbursement. Any questions or concerns should be reviewed with your GM representative prior to processing the request.

When a customer requests reimbursement, they must provide the following:

- A completed Customer Reimbursement Request Form. This form is mailed to the customer or can be obtained through GM GlobalConnect.
- The name and address of the person who paid for the repair.
- Paid receipt confirming the amount of the repair expense, a description of the repair, and the person or entity performing the repair.

**IMPORTANT:** GM requires dealers to approve or deny a reimbursement request within 30 days of receipt. If a reimbursement request is approved, the dealer should immediately issue a check to the customer and submit an appropriate warranty transaction for the incurred expense. If a reimbursement request is denied, the dealer <u>MUST</u> provide the customer with a clear and concise explanation, in writing, as to why the request was denied. The bottom portion of the Customer Reimbursement Request Form may be used for this purpose. If the denial was due

to missing documents, the customer can resubmit the request when the missing documents are obtained, as long as it is still within the allowed reimbursement period.

Warranty transactions for customer reimbursement of previously paid repairs are to be submitted as required by GM Global Warranty Management. Additional information can also be found in Warranty Administration Bulletin 11-00-89-004.

### CUSTOMER REIMBURSEMENT - For Canada and Export

Customer requests for reimbursement of previously paid repairs to correct the condition described in this bulletin are to be submitted to the dealer prior to or by May 31, 2015.

When a customer requests reimbursement, they must provide the following:

- Proof of ownership at time of repair.
- Original paid receipt confirming the amount of unreimbursed repair expense(s) (including Service Contract deductibles), a description of the repair, and the person or entity performing the repair.

All reasonable and customary costs to correct the condition described in this bulletin should be considered for reimbursement. Any questions or concerns should be reviewed with your GM representative prior to processing the request.

### COURTESY TRANSPORTATION AND VEHICLE TOWING – For U.S. and Canada

## Please refer to GM GlobalConnect message G\_0000190527 for courtesy transportation instructions.

For purposes of this recall, it is permissible to offer courtesy transportation to those customers who express concern about the continued use of their vehicle or who require alternate transportation while the vehicle is in for the recall repairs. The availability of courtesy transportation to such customers is very important in maintaining customer satisfaction. Dealers are to ensure that these customers understand that shuttle service or some other form of courtesy transportation is available and will be provided at no charge. Dealers should refer to the General Motors Service Policies and Procedures Manual for Courtesy Transportation guidelines. In addition, for purposes of this recall, it is permissible to provide free towing to a customer who may be concerned about operating their vehicle.

### WARRANTY TRANSACTION INFORMATION

Submit a transaction using the table below. All transactions should be submitted as a ZFAT transaction type, unless noted otherwise.

Labor Code	Description	Labor Time	Net Item
9100491	Cut Two Keys and Perform Key Learn Procedure	0.4	N/A
	Add: Replacement Key Modification for Saturn Ion (if necessary)	0.1	
9100492*	Courtesy Transportation	N/A	***
9100493**	Customer Reimbursement Approved	0.2	****
9100494**	Customer Reimbursement Denied - For US dealers only	0.1	N/A

Customer reimbursement will not close this recall. The service procedure must also be performed on the vehicle.

- \* To avoid having to "H" route this transaction for approval, it must be submitted prior to the repair transaction (U.S. only).
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- \*\*\* The amount identified in "Net Item" should represent the actual dollar amount for courtesy transportation.
- \*\*\*\* The amount identified in "Net Item" should represent the actual dollar amount reimbursed to the customer.

### CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION – For U.S. and Canada

General Motors will notify customers of this recall on their vehicle.

### CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION – For Export

Letters will be sent to known owners of record located within areas covered by the US National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. For owners outside these areas, dealers should notify customers.

### <u>DEALER RECALL RESPONSIBILITY</u> – For U.S. and Export (U.S. States, Territories, and Possessions)

It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by this notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied.

The US National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act provides that each vehicle that is subject to a recall of this type must be adequately repaired within a reasonable time after the customer has tendered it for repair. A failure to repair within sixty days after tender of a vehicle is prima facie evidence of failure to repair within a reasonable time. If the condition is not adequately repaired within a reasonable time, the customer may be entitled to an identical or reasonably equivalent vehicle at no charge or to a refund of the purchase price less a reasonable allowance for depreciation. To avoid having to provide these burdensome remedies, every effort must be made to promptly schedule an appointment with each customer and to repair their vehicle as soon as possible. In the recall notification letters, customers are told how to contact the US National Highway Traffic Safety Administration if the recall is not completed within a reasonable time.

### DEALER RECALL RESPONSIBILITY – All

All unsold new vehicles in dealers' possession and subject to this recall <u>must</u> be held and inspected/repaired per the service procedure of this recall bulletin <u>before</u> customers take possession of these vehicles.

Dealers are to service all vehicles subject to this recall at no charge to customers, regardless of mileage, age of vehicle, or ownership, from this time forward.

Customers who have recently purchased vehicles sold from your vehicle inventory, and for which there is no customer information indicated on the dealer listing, are to be contacted by the dealer. Arrangements are to be made to make the required correction according to the instructions contained in this bulletin. Recall follow-up cards should not be used for this purpose, since the customer may not as yet have received the notification letter.

In summary, whenever a vehicle subject to this recall enters your vehicle inventory, or is in your dealership for service in the future, you must take the steps necessary to be sure the recall correction has been made before selling or releasing the vehicle.

GM bulletins are intended for use by professional technicians, NOT a "do-it-yourselfer". They are written to inform these technicians of conditions that may occur on some vehicles, or to provide information that could assist in the proper service of a vehicle. Properly trained technicians have the tools, equipment, safety instructions, and know-how to do a job properly and safely. If a condition is described, <u>DONOT</u> assume that the bulletin applies to your vehicle, or that your vehicle will have that condition. See your dealer for information on whether your vehicle may benefit from the information.



## When the vehicle is returned to the customer, it is very important to review and give them a copy of the notice provided below. Please reproduce locally.

Dear General Motors Customer:

As part of the repairs to your vehicle for the ignition switch and ignition cylinder safety recalls, you have been provided new keys with a round hole (rather than a slot) on new 13mm (1/2") key rings. These components are specifically designed to work together for your safety.

Only use the new keys and rings that have been provided to you by your dealer. Destroy any old slotted keys you still have that have not been turned into your GM dealer. Your GM dealer will provide replacement keys for your vehicle free of charge for the life of the vehicle. If you obtain an ignition key elsewhere, always use a key of the exact same design as the repair key, including shape, size and key hole.

Use only the single (1/2") key ring provided by your GM dealer. It is small and light to help prevent contact with you or parts of the vehicle while driving. Keep no more than one or two essential keys and the key fob (if equipped) on the ring. **Do not attach anything else to the key ring**. A heavy or large key ring or chain, or items on the ring or chain that contact vehicle components or the driver MUST be avoided because they can affect the safe operation of the vehicle.



Remember:

- Only use keys with a small round hole (1) and not a slot (2)
- Use only a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" diameter key ring (provided by your GM dealer)
- Only include 1 or 2 keys plus your key fob
- Don't attach extra items to your key ring
- Contact your dealer if you need new keys

Please share this information with any other drivers of the vehicle and keep this letter in your glove box so that it will be always be available for reference for current or future operators.

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