



Vehicle recalls: what you need to know

DVSA is urging drivers to check that their vehicles, parts or accessories aren't subject to a safety recall.

New figures show that 2.6 million vehicles were affected by a recall between April 2015 and March 2016.

How recalls work

Manufacturers should recall vehicles when they become aware of a safety problem, and repair them free of charge.

Some parts and accessories - such as child car seats and tyres - aren't registered to drivers like vehicles are, so manufacturers can't always trace the owner.

It's vital that you check for recalls that affect these.

[Check for vehicle, part or accessory recalls](#)

Reporting serious safety defects

If you find a serious defect that affects the safety of your vehicle, one of its parts, or an accessory, report it to the manufacturer immediately.

[Tell DVSA](#) if you're not happy with how the manufacturer is dealing with your report.

Get new recall alerts

You can [sign up for email alerts](#) to get a monthly summary of the latest recalls.

DVSA is also starting to use its [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) accounts to issue new recall alerts.

More information

Find out more about [vehicle recalls and faults](#).