



Applies To: **2000 Accord** – See VEHICLES AFFECTED

**April 23, 2002**

## Safety Recall: 2000 Accord Passenger's Airbag (Supersedes 02-021, dated April 3, 2002)

### BACKGROUND

During the manufacturing process, a component in the inflator of some passenger's airbags was not welded properly. As a result, the affected airbags may not deploy correctly in a collision, increasing the risk of injury to a front seat passenger.

### VEHICLES AFFECTED

#### Japan-Produced Vehicles:

- 4-door: VIN JHMC F8...YC000203  
From VIN JHMC G5...YC000765  
thru JHMC G5...YC020966  
From VIN JHMC G6...YC001006  
thru JHMC G6...YC017116

#### US-Produced Vehicles:

- 2-door: From VIN 1HGCG3...YA000213  
thru 1HGCG3...YA005775
- 4-door: From VIN 1HGCG5...YA001962  
thru 1HGCG5...YA064562  
From VIN 1HGCG6...YA002203  
thru 1HGCG6...YA126540  
From VIN 1HGCF8...YA025010  
thru 1HGCF8...YA025032

**Only a small number of vehicles in the listed VIN ranges are affected by this campaign.** Before beginning work, verify that the vehicle is eligible by checking at least one of the following.

- The customer has a notification letter.
- The vehicle is shown on your campaign responsibility report.
- The vehicle is shown as eligible on a VIN Status Inquiry on DCS.

### CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION

All owners of affected vehicles will be sent a notification of this campaign. An example of the customer notification is at the end of this service bulletin.

Some affected vehicles may be in your used vehicle inventory. **According to Federal law, these vehicles cannot be sold or leased until they are repaired.** Please check your vehicle inventory for 2000 Accords. If any of these vehicles are within the affected VIN range, find out if they need to be repaired by doing a VIN status inquiry on DCS, then repair the vehicle as described in this service bulletin.

### CORRECTIVE ACTION

Replace the passenger's airbag. **Do not** deploy the removed airbag.

### PARTS INFORMATION

#### Passenger's Airbag Assembly:

- Lapis (B94L) – P/N 77850-S84-305ZA,  
H/C 7122138
- Quartz Gray (NH283L) – P/N 77850-S84-305ZB,  
H/C 7122187
- Taupe (YR164L) – P/N 77850-S84-305ZC,  
H/C 7122195
- Classy Gray (NH264L) – P/N 77850-S84-305ZD,  
H/C 7122211

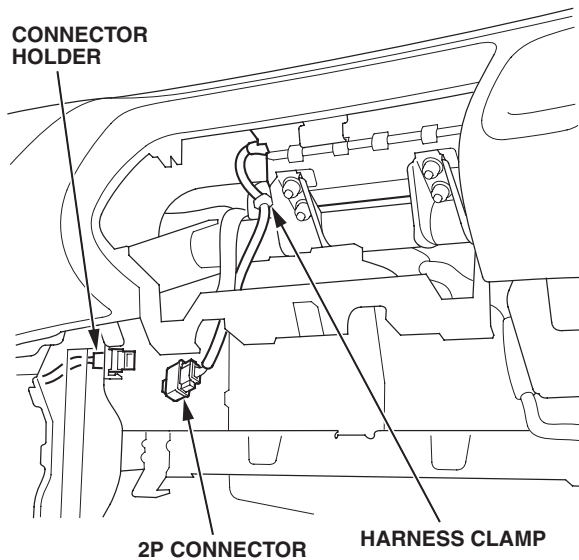
### WARRANTY CLAIM INFORMATION

- Operation Number: 754101
- Flat Rate Time: 0.5 hour
- Failed Part: P/N 06780-S82-A10ZA  
H/C 6218051
- Defect Code: 5AU
- Contention Code: L51
- Template ID: Lapis (B94L) – 02-021A  
Quartz Gray (NH283L) – 02-021B  
Taupe (YR164L) – 02-021C  
Classy Gray (NH264L) – 02-021D
- Skill Level: Repair Technician

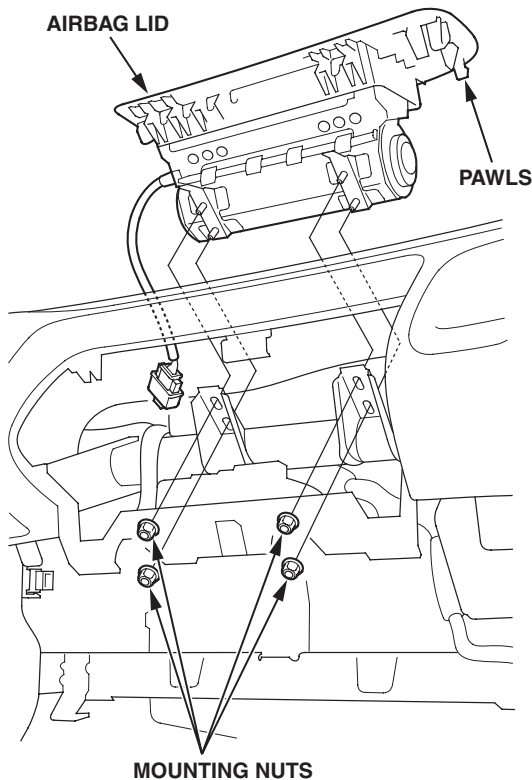
### REPAIR PROCEDURE

1. Make sure you have the anti-theft code for the radio, then write down the radio station presets.
2. Disconnect the negative cable from the battery, then wait at least 3 minutes.
3. Remove the glove box (see page 20-87 of the 1998–02 Accord Service Manual).

4. Disconnect the passenger's airbag 2P connector, and remove the harness clamp.



5. Remove the four mounting nuts.



6. Cover the airbag lid with a cloth, then carefully pry with a screwdriver to lift the airbag out of the dashboard.

NOTE: The airbag lid has pawls on its side that attach it to the dashboard.

7. Place the new airbag into the dashboard. Torque the mounting nuts to 9.8 N·m (7.2 lb-ft).

8. Install the harness clamp, then connect the 2P connector. Attach the connector to the connector holder.
9. Install the glove box. Make sure the glove box light connector is properly connected.
10. Connect the negative cable to the battery.
11. Confirm the SRS works properly: When you turn the ignition switch to ON (II), the SRS indicator should come on for about 6 seconds and then go off. If the indicator doesn't come on, or stays on, refer to section 23 of the service manual for troubleshooting information.
12. Enter the radio anti-theft code and the radio station presets. Set the clock.
13. Center-punch a completion mark above the 10th character of the engine compartment VIN.

Center-punch here.

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14. Do not deploy the old airbag; pack it in the box that the new airbag came in.

NOTE: The old airbag is hazardous. Refer to Section 8 of the Honda Service Operations Manual for instructions on proper handling.

15. Ship the undeployed airbag, freight prepaid, to

**Warranty Parts Inspection  
American Honda Motor Co., Inc.  
24500 Honda Parkway  
Marysville, OH 43040  
Fed Ex Account 1312-2690-0**

**Example of Customer Letter**

April 2002

**Safety Recall: 2000 Accord  
Passenger's Airbag**

Dear Accord Owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

**What is the reason for this notice?**

Honda Motor Co., Ltd., has determined that a defect relating to motor vehicle safety exists in the passenger's airbag on certain 2000 model year Accords. During the manufacturing process, a component in the inflator of some passenger's airbags was not welded properly. As a result, the affected airbags may not deploy correctly in a collision, increasing the risk of injury to a front seat passenger.

**What should you do?**

Call any authorized Honda dealer and make an appointment to have your car repaired. The dealer will replace the passenger's airbag. *This repair will be done free of charge.* Please plan to leave your vehicle at the dealership for half a day to allow the dealer flexibility in scheduling.

***Until your car is repaired, make sure your front seat passenger is properly secured by the seat belt, since the passenger's airbag may not provide adequate protection in a collision.***

**Who to contact if you experience problems.**

If you are not satisfied with the service you receive from your Honda dealer, you may write to:

American Honda Motor Co., Inc.  
Automobile Customer Service  
Mail Stop 500-2N-7A  
1919 Torrance Blvd.  
Torrance, CA 90501-2746

If you believe that American Honda or the dealer has failed or is unable to remedy the defect in your vehicle, without charge, within a reasonable period of time (60 days from the date you first contact the dealer for a repair appointment), you may submit a complaint to:

Administrator  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
400 Seventh Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20590

Or call the toll-free Auto Safety Hotline at (888) 327-4236.

**What to do if you feel this notice is in error.**

Our records show that you are the current owner or lessee of a 2000 Accord involved in this recall. If this is not the case, or the name/address information is incorrect, please fill out and return the included, postage-paid *Information Change Card*. This will help us to update our records.

**If you have questions.**

If you have questions about this notice, or need assistance with contacting a Honda dealer, please call Automobile Customer Service at (800) 999-1009.

We apologize for any inconvenience this campaign may cause you.

Sincerely,  
**American Honda Motor Co., Inc.**  
**Honda Automobile Division**