



**VEHICLE FACTORS GROUP CHAIRMAN'S
FACTUAL REPORT**

**Vehicle Attachment 8 – Specifications and Recall Information for
the 2003 Mazda Tribute**

**MULTIPLE VEHICLE ACCIDENT
Chattanooga, TN**

HWY15MH009

(8 pages)

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VIN #	4F2CZ96103K [REDACTED]
VINquery.com Vehicle ID	26330
Model Year	2003
Make	Mazda
Model	Tribute
Trim	ES 4WD
Manufactured in	UNITED STATES
Production Seq. Number	M55608

Specifications

Body Style	SPORT UTILITY 4-DR
Engine Type	3.0L V6 DOHC 24V
Transmission	4-Speed Automatic
Driveline	4WD
Tank(gallon)	16.40
Fuel Economy(City, miles/gallon)	18
Fuel Economy(Highway, miles/gallon)	23
Anti-Brake System	Non-ABS 4-Wheel ABS
Steering Type	R&P
Seating(standard)	5
Seating(optional)	No data
Length(in.)	173.00
Width(in.)	71.90
Height(in.)	69.90

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2003 MAZDA TRIBUTE 4DR SUV 4WD ES V6

A	Longitudinal distance between the center of the front bumper and the center of the base of the windshield	44.1 in
B	Passenger Car Longitudinal distance between the center of the rear bumper and the center of the base of the backlight Station Wagon and Vans Longitudinal distance between the backlight top moulding and the front door latch pillar Pick-ups Longitudinal distance between the rearmost projection and the front door latch pillar	59.9 in
C	The maximum vertical height of the side glass	16.9 in
D	Vertical distance between the base of the side glass and the lower edge of the rocker panel	31.1 in
E	Distance between side rails or maximum width of top	48.9 in
F	Front overhang	33.5 in
G	Rear overhang	36.2 in
OL	Overall length	173.4 in
OW	Overall width	72.1 in
OH	Overall height	67.8 in
WB	Wheelbase	103.2 in
TWF	Front track width	61.1 in
TWR	Rear track width	60.3 in
CW	Curb weight	3447 lb
WD	Weight distribution (Front/Rear)	59/41

Measurements obtained in year: 01

Search Results

2003 MAZDA TRIBUTE

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RECALLS: Displaying 1 - 8 out of 8

— RECALL Subject : Front Wheel Bearing has Wrong Dimensions

Report Receipt Date: JUN 03, 2015
NHTSA Campaign Number: 15E045000
Component(s): SUSPENSION

All Products Associated with this Recall ▼

Details ▲

6 Associated Documents ▼

Manufacturer: Timken Company

SUMMARY:

The Timken Company (Timken) is recalling certain aftermarket front wheel bearings, part number 510072, sold from January 22, 2015, to May 21, 2015, to be used as service parts on 2001-2012 Ford Escape, 2001-2011 Mazda Tribute, and 2005-2011 Mercury Mariner vehicles. The affected wheel bearings have incorrect dimensions of a 42mm bore, 76mm outer dimension, and 39mm width, instead of a 42mm bore, 78mm outer dimension and a 45mm width.

CONSEQUENCE:

Use of an incorrectly sized wheel bearing can adversely affect the braking and steering of the vehicle, increasing the risk of a crash.

REMEDY:

Timken has begun notifying distributors who will offer purchasers replacement wheel bearings, free of charge. The recall began on May 21, 2015. Owners may contact Timken customer service at 1-866-984-6536.

NOTES:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.

— RECALL Subject : Lower Control Arm Corrosion-Regional Recall

Report Receipt Date: APR 04, 2014
NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V174000
Component(s): STRUCTURE

All Products Associated with this Recall ▼

Details ▲

12 Associated Documents ▼

Manufacturer: Mazda North American Operations

SUMMARY:

Mazda North American Operations (Mazda) is recalling certain model year 2001-2004 Tribute vehicles manufactured May 22, 2000, through December 19, 2003, originally sold, or currently registered in, Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, West Virginia, Wisconsin and the District of Columbia. These vehicles may experience excessive corrosion at the forward attachment of the lower control arm.

CONSEQUENCE:

A separation of the lower control arm can result in a significant loss of steering control, increasing the risk of a crash.

REMEDY:

Mazda will notify owners, and dealers will install a newly designed reinforcement cross-brace, free of charge. The recall began on May 29, 2014. Owners may contact Mazda at 1-800-222-5500. Mazda's number for this recall is 7514D.

NOTES:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.

— RECALL Subject : Speed Control Cable Connector Interference , 1 INVESTIGATION(S)

Report Receipt Date: JUL 27, 2012

NHTSA Campaign Number: 12V357000

Component(s): ENGINE AND ENGINE COOLING , VEHICLE SPEED CONTROL

All Products Associated with this Recall ▼

Details ▲

18 Associated Documents ▼

Manufacturer: MAZDA NORTH AMERICAN OPERATIONS

SUMMARY:

Mazda is recalling certain model year 2001 through 2006, and 2008, Tribute vehicles equipped with 3.0L V6 engines and speed control. Inadequate clearance between the engine cover and the speed control cable connector could result in a stuck throttle when the accelerator pedal is fully or almost-fully depressed. This risk exists regardless of whether or not speed control (cruise control) is used.

CONSEQUENCE:

A stuck throttle may result in very high vehicle speeds and make it difficult to stop or slow the vehicle, which could cause a crash, serious injury or death.

REMEDY:

Mazda will notify owners, and dealers will repair the vehicles by increasing the engine cover clearance, free of charge. Remedy parts are now available. The safety recall began on September 13, 2012. Owners may contact Mazda Customer Assistance Center at 1-800-222-5500, option #6.

NOTES:

Mazda's recall campaign number is 6812G. Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.

1 Associated Investigation(s) ▼

— RECALL Subject : ABS MODULE ELECTRICAL WIRING HARNESS , 1 INVESTIGATION(S)

Report Receipt Date: APR 10, 2007

NHTSA Campaign Number: 07V157000

Component(s): SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC

All Products Associated with this Recall ▼

Details ▲

15 Associated Documents ▼

Manufacturer: MAZDA MOTOR CORP

SUMMARY:

ON CERTAIN SPORT UTILITY VEHICLES EQUIPPED WITH ANTILOCK BRAKES (ABS), THE ABS MODULE CONNECTOR MAY HAVE MISSING OR DISLODGED WIRE SEALS. THIS CONDITION COULD ALLOW CONTAMINATION TO ENTER THE MODULE CONNECTOR, CREATING A POTENTIAL FOR AN ELECTRICAL SHORT.

CONSEQUENCE:

AN ELECTRICAL SHORT MIGHT CAUSE AN ABS MALFUNCTION THAT WOULD ILLUMINATE THE ABS WARNING LIGHT, AND IN SOME CASES, THE MODULE MAY OVERHEAT RESULTING IN BURNING ODOR, SMOKE, AND/OR FIRE. THIS CONDITION COULD OCCUR EITHER WHEN THE VEHICLE IGNITION SWITCH IS IN THE OFF POSITION OR WHILE THE VEHICLE IS BEING OPERATED.

REMEDY:

DEALERS WILL INSPECT THE WIRE HARNESS CONNECTOR TO THE ABS MODULE FOR MISSING OR DISLODGED WIRE SEALS, AND REPAIR OR REPLACE THE HARNESS CONNECTOR AS APPROPRIATE. THE DEALER WILL ALSO INSPECT THE CONNECTOR ON THE ABS MODULE AND REPLACE IT IF IT IS FOUND TO BE CORRODED OR DAMAGED. THE RECALL BEGAN ON MAY 9, 2007. OWNERS MAY CONTACT MAZDA AT 1-800-222-5500.

NOTES:

MAZDA RECALL NO. 4507C. CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV).

1 Associated Investigation(s) ▼

— RECALL Subject : MASTER CYLINDER LEAK

Report Receipt Date: MAR 29, 2007
 NHTSA Campaign Number: 07E023000
 Component(s): SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC

All Products Associated with this Recall ▼

Details ▲

12 Associated Documents ▼

Manufacturer: CARDONE INDUSTRIES, INC.

SUMMARY:

CERTAIN CARDONE MASTER CYLINDERS WITH PART NUMBERS 10-2925, 10-2987, 10-2987MZA, 10-3083, 11-3015, 11-3042, 11-3044, 11-3045, 11-3047, 11-3064, AND 11-3156, AND WITH DATE CODES LOWER THAN DCA7078 SOLD AS REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT FOR USE ON THE VEHICLES LISTED ABOVE. THE SEAL ON MASTER CYLINDER CAN FAIL AND LEAK BRAKE FLUID.

CONSEQUENCE:

LOSS OF BRAKE FLUID CAN RESULT IN POOR BRAKING PERFORMANCE, POSSIBLY RESULTING IN A VEHICLE CRASH.

REMEDY:

CARDONE WILL NOTIFY OWNERS AND OFFER TO REPURCHASE ANY DEFECTIVE MASTER CYLINDERS. THE RECALL BEGAN DURING APRIL 2007. OWNERS CAN CONTACT CARDONE AT 1-800-777-4780.

NOTES:

THIS RECALL ONLY PERTAINS TO AFTERMARKET CARDONE MASTER CYLINDERS AND HAS NO RELATION TO ANY ORIGINAL EQUIPMENT INSTALLED ON THE VEHICLES LISTED ABOVE. CUSTOMERS MAY CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

— RECALL Subject : MAZDA/FMVSS 206/LIFTGATE LATCH

Report Receipt Date: DEC 23, 2004
 NHTSA Campaign Number: 04V605000
 Component(s): LATCHES/LOCKS/LINKAGES

All Products Associated with this Recall ▼

Details ▲

12 Associated Documents ▼

Manufacturer: MAZDA NORTH AMERICAN OPERATIONS

SUMMARY:

CERTAIN 2004-2005 SPORT UTILITY VEHICLES AND CERTAIN 2001-2003 SPORT UTILITY VEHICLE HAVING REAR LIFTGATE COMPONENTS SERVICED WITH 2004 EQUIVALENT COMPONENTS FAIL TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARD NO. 206, 'DOOR LOCKS AND DOOR RETENTION COMPONENTS.' THE REAR LIFTGATE LATCHING SYSTEM DOES NOT MEET THE INERTIA LOAD REQUIREMENT IN ONE DIRECTION.

CONSEQUENCE:

IF THE LIFTGATE IS LEFT UNLOCKED, THERE IS THE POTENTIAL THAT IT MAY OPEN DURING A CRASH.

REMEDY:

DEALERS WILL REPLACE THE REAR LIFTGATE LATCH RELEASE ROD, THE RELEASE ROD ATTACHMENT CLIP AND THE DOOR HANDLE RETURN SPRING. THE RECALL BEGAN ON MARCH 31, 2005. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT MAZDA AT 1-800-222-5500.

NOTES:

MAZDA RECALL NO. 2804L. CUSTOMERS CAN ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S AUTO SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236.

— RECALL Subject : MAZDA/ACCELERATOR CABLE

Report Receipt Date: DEC 10, 2004
 NHTSA Campaign Number: 04V583000
 Component(s): VEHICLE SPEED CONTROL

All Products Associated with this Recall ▼

Details ▲

13 Associated Documents ▼

Manufacturer: MAZDA NORTH AMERICAN OPERATIONS

SUMMARY:

ON CERTAIN SPORT UTILITY VEHICLES, THE ACCELERATOR CABLE MAY PREVENT THE THROTTLE FROM RETURNING TO THE IDLE POSITION.

CONSEQUENCE:

AN UNEXPECTED INCREASE IN ENGINE IDLE SPEED MAY INCREASE STOPPING DISTANCE AND MAY RESULT IN A VEHICLE CRASH.

REMEDY:

DEALERS WILL REPLACE THE ACCELERATOR CABLE. THE RECALL BEGAN ON JANUARY 28, 2005. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT MAZDA AT 1-800-222-5500, OPTION #4.

NOTES:

MAZDA RECALL NO. 2704L. CUSTOMERS CAN ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S AUTO SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-DASH-2-DOT (1-888-327-4236).

— RECALL Subject : MAZDA/PCM/ENGINE STALLING , 1 INVESTIGATION(S)

Report Receipt Date: APR 09, 2004
NHTSA Campaign Number: 04V175000
Component(s): POWER TRAIN

All Products Associated with this Recall ▼

Details ▲

11 Associated Documents ▼

Manufacturer: MAZDA NORTH AMERICAN OPERATIONS

SUMMARY:

ON CERTAIN SPORT UTILITY VEHICLES EQUIPPED WITH 3.0L V6 DURATEC ENGINES , DURING DECELERATION, THE ENGINE CAN STALL.

CONSEQUENCE:

SHOULD THE ENGINE STALL, A VEHICLE CRASH COULD OCCUR.

REMEDY:

DEALERS WILL REPROGRAM THE POWER CONTROL MODULE (PCM) WITH THE APPROPRIATE CALIBRATION. THE RECALL BEGAN ON MAY 3, 2004. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT MAZDA AT 1-800-222-5500.

NOTES:

MAZDA RECALL NO. 1904D. ALSO, CUSTOMERS CAN CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S AUTO SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-DASH-2-DOT (1-888-327-4236).

1 Associated Investigation(s) ▼

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Recalls Results by VIN - Vehicle Identification Number

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VIN: 4F2CZ96103K [REDACTED]

Year: 2003 Make: MAZDA MOTOR CORP Model: TRB ES XA

Number of Open Recalls: 2

Recall Date: July 26, 2012

Manufacturer Recall Number: 6812G

SUMMARY:

Tribute 3.0L engine cover modification. There may be inadequate clearance between the engine cover and the speed control (sometimes known as cruise control) cable, which could allow the engine to be stuck at full power when the accelerator pedal is fully or almost-fully depressed.

SAFETY RISK:

A throttle that is stuck fully or almost fully open may result in very high vehicle speeds and make it difficult to stop or slow the vehicle, which could cause a crash, serious injury, or death. This risk exists regardless of whether or not cruise control is used.

REMEDY:

The dealer will modify the engine cover to provide sufficient clearance for the speed control cable, free of charge.

RECALL STATUS: Recall INCOMPLETE**MANUFACTURER NOTES:**

To locate your nearest Mazda dealer, visit our website and use our "Locate a Dealer" feature at www.MazdaUSA.com.

THIS RECALL DATA LAST REFRESHED: Dec 2, 2015

Recall Date: April 4, 2014

Manufacturer Recall Number: 7514D

SUMMARY:

Tribute Lower Control Arm Corrosion. Vehicles operated in areas where salt is used to on roadways during winter months may experience excessive corrosion at the attachment of the lower control arm.

SAFETY RISK:

A separation of the lower control arm can result in a significant loss of steering control, increasing the risk of a crash.

REMEDY:

Dealers will install a newly designed reinforcement cross-brace, free of charge.

RECALL STATUS: Recall INCOMPLETE**MANUFACTURER NOTES:**

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THIS RECALL DATA LAST REFRESHED: Dec 2, 2015

Additional Safety Information

Besides the VIN search tool you just used, NHTSA offers additional safety information based on a vehicle's make, model, and model year and not tied to any particular VIN. A search by vehicle make, model, and model year gives you access to information about technical service bulletins, NHTSA investigations, and owner complaints, as well as safety recalls on aftermarket equipment that is often not linked to a particular VIN or even to your vehicle's manufacturer.

To search NHTSA's safety information based on your vehicle's make, model, and model year, please go to the [Safety Issues section](#) and follow the instructions there.

Recall information for this manufacturer is only available going back to January 01, 1999. If your vehicle was manufactured before this date, please contact the manufacturer for possible additional recall information.