

Hyundai recalls all 86 Elexio EVs in Singapore over unexpected braking, with the fix due in February

Description

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Hyundai is recalling all 86 Elexio electric SUVs in Singapore over a fault in the Forward Collision Avoidance system that can make the car brake when there is no risk of a collision ahead, distributor Komoco Motors said, as reported by The Straits Times on 27 November. The corrected part is due only in February 2027, and the cars cannot be driven until it is fitted.

Ten of the 86 had been delivered to customers. The cars have all been returned to Komoco, and affected owners have courtesy cars. The other 76 had not been delivered.



The Hyundai Elexio went on sale in Singapore in September. Photo: Hyundai Singapore

What the fault does

Forward Collision Avoidance is a driver-assistance feature meant to brake the car when it detects a collision risk ahead. The fault makes it brake when there is no such risk, which raises the chance of a rear-end collision. Komoco said no accident in Singapore has been linked to the fault.

The fix is a corrected electronic control unit, fitted at no cost to the owner. Komoco said it notified the Land Transport Authority (LTA) on 10 November and that LTA approved the recall on 19 November.



Hyundai markets the Elexioâ??s driver assistance features under the SmartSense name. Photo: Hyundai Singapore

Sales continue, but deliveries and test drives are paused

The Elexio is still on sale. Test drives are suspended, and deliveries will resume only after the faulty part is replaced. A Komoco spokeswoman said the company is looking for â??the most amicable solution for the affected customersâ?• but gave no details.

Buyers who ordered a car to register in 2026 are the most exposed. LTAâ??s EV Early Adoption Incentive is a 45 per cent rebate off the Additional Registration Fee, capped at S$7,500 in 2026, and ends on 1 January 2027. The Vehicular Emissions Scheme (VES) Band A rebate for cars falls from S$22,500 in 2026 to S$20,000 in 2027.

Together that is up to S$30,000 in rebates for an electric car registered in 2026 and S$20,000 for one registered in 2027. The Straits Times reported that an electric car registered in 2027 will pay S$10,000 more in vehicle taxes, a gap that now falls on buyers whose cars have not been delivered. The same cut-off shaped buying decisions at Octoberâ??s Car Expo.

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Unexpected braking raises the risk of a rear-end collision. Photo: Hyundai Singapore

What the Elexio is, on paper

Hyundai Singapore, which launched the Elexio in September, quotes a range of up to 546km for the long-range version, a 10 to 80 per cent charge in 38 minutes on a 350kW DC charger, and 506 litres of boot space, rising to 1,540 litres with the second row folded.

The cabin has a 27-inch panoramic display, a head-up display and an eight-speaker Bose system with Dolby Atmos. Vehicle-to-load lets the car power or charge devices such as e-bikes, scooters or camping gear. The range is Hyundaiâ??s figure, not an independent test.



The Elexioâ??s 27-inch panoramic display. Photo: Hyundai Singapore

What owners and buyers can do

Motor dealers and importers must notify LTA and the owners of affected vehicles about a recall and arrange the repair. Owners can check whether a car is affected, and the status of its repair, on LTAâ??s Electronic Vehicle Recall System through OneMotoring. Buyers with an Elexio on order can reach Komoco Motors at 253 Alexandra Road or on 6475 8888.

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