



04/2006 Product Alert: Defective IPD front sway bars

An important issue has come to our attention regarding IPD sway bars for the following models:

- 93-97 850
- 98-04 C70
- 98-00 S70
- 98-00 V70

Early generation IPD sway bar kits for the models listed above had a manufacturing defect with the front sway bar. The hole at the end of the sway bar where the endlink mounts is supposed to be 10mm (3/8") – the size of the stock endlink stud. The hole in the defective IPD sway bar is 1/2" instead. Since the sway bar hole is larger than the endlink stud/bolt, problems may arise ranging from front-end noise to endlink bolt/stud failure.

This issue affects ALL endlinks used with the defective IPD front sway bar, including genuine Volvo as well as aftermarket OEM style replacements, IPD HD endlinks, as well as all aftermarket performance adjustable end links such as the QBM performance endlinks. Anyone who is using a QBM performance end link kit in combination with the defective IPD front away bar may have a problem with rattling or other noises that appear to emanate from the sway bar link itself. This noise is not a defect in the end link, but rather the IPD sway bar being too large. If not addressed, increased stress on the bolt/stud may lead to stud/bolt failure.

To determine if you have one of the affected front sway bars, turn your wheel fully to one side where you will be able to identify the sway bar inside the wheel well. The affected IPD front sway bar is GOLD plated and has 5/8" thick ends with a machined counter bore where the sway link mounts. The corrected sway bars are powder coated BLACK and have thin 1/4" "blade" style ends where the sway link mounts.



Affected IPD bar



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Corrected IPD bar

QBM has developed a reinforced hole adapter that adapts the hole in the IPD sway bar to the correct 10mm (3/8") size. Because customer service is our #1 priority, QBM will provide a repair kit free of charge to all customers who purchased a QBM performance sway bar link kit and who have the defective IPD front sway bars on their vehicle.

If you have an IPD sway bar kit on your vehicle, and it is one of the above listed models, please check your vehicle ASAP to determine if you have the defective front sway bar. If so, contact QBM or IPD to acquire the corrective parts and install them immediately to prevent further issues. Installation instructions are provided, and the repair takes less than 30 minutes with basic hand tools.

You may also acquire the adapters directly from IPD by calling (800) 444-6473, or by visiting www.ipdusa.com.

Sincerely,
Quickbrick Motorsports