Toyota IC Forklift — Settlement Summary

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Toyota IC Forklift Class Action Settlement

Summary

Toyota Material Handling, N.A., Toyota Material Handling, Inc., and Toyota Industries Corporation have agreed to a $299,500,000 class action settlement resolving claims that certain Toyota internal combustion (IC) forklifts manufactured between 2007 and 2021 had misrepresented emission levels that exceeded regulatory limits. Eligible class members — individuals or entities that purchased or leased qualifying Toyota IC forklifts in the U.S. on or before January 20, 2026 — may submit a claim for cash compensation, a free Service Plan visit, and potentially a New Parts Warranty. The claims deadline is **September 23, 2026**.

Announcements

- **Settlement Approved:** The Final Approval Hearing was held on July 10, 2026 at 9:00 a.m., and the Court has approved the Settlement.
- **Opt-Out and Objection Deadlines Passed:** The deadlines to opt out or object were June 1, 2026 and have now passed.
- **Claims Deadline Approaching:** The deadline to submit a Settlement Claim Form is **September 23, 2026**. Claims must be submitted online or postmarked by that date.
- **Note — Discrepancy Between Pages:** The homepage states the claim form must be submitted or postmarked by September 23, 2026, while the Documents page lists the claim form deadline as September 22, 2026. FRS staff should treat **September 23, 2026** as the operative deadline per the homepage, but advise clients to file as early as possible to avoid any risk.

Settlement Amount

Defendants have agreed to pay **$299,500,000** into a Settlement fund. Individual payment amounts will depend on the number of valid claims submitted and whether other Settlement Class Members submit claims for the same Settlement Class Forklift. No per-claimant estimate is published on the settlement website.

In addition to cash, the Settlement provides:

- **Service Plan Visit:** One free Service Plan visit per operable Settlement Class Forklift in the U.S., covering labor and travel costs for preventative maintenance of all major systems. Class Members have three years from the Effective Date (currently estimated through August 8, 2029) to schedule a visit with an authorized TMH dealer.
- **New Parts Warranty:** If Defendants offer a government-approved or government-authorized recall for the Settlement Class Engines by October 31, 2028, a New Parts Warranty will apply to new engine parts installed under that recall for any Settlement Class Forklift.

Class Period

Settlement Class Forklifts were first sold in the United States in the following calendar years by engine type:

- **4Y engine:** 2007–2021 (emissions certification model years 2007–2020)

- **1FS engine:** 2013–2021 (emissions certification model years 2014–2020)
- **1KD engine:** 2014–2021 (emissions certification model years 2014–2021)
- **1ZS engine:** 2014–2021 (emissions certification model years 2014–2021)

Eligible purchasers or lessees must have acquired a qualifying forklift on or before **January 20, 2026**.

Filing Deadline

September 23, 2026 — Claims must be submitted online or postmarked by this date. (See Announcements section regarding a minor discrepancy with the Documents page, which lists September 22, 2026.)

Who Qualifies

Any person or entity that **purchased or leased** an eligible Settlement Class Forklift in the United States on or before **January 20, 2026**.

Qualifying Toyota IC Forklifts by engine and model number (first sold in the U.S. in the specified years):

- **4Y engine (2007–2021):**
  - 8FGU15, 8FGU18, 8FGU20, 8FGU25, 8FGU30, 8FGU32
  - 8FGCU15, 8FGCU18, 8FGCU20, 8FGCU25, 8FGCU30, 8FGCU32
  - 8FGCSU20
- **1FS engine (2013–2021):**
  - 8FGC35U, 8FGC45U, 8FGC55U, 8FGC60U, 8FGC70U
  - 8FG35U, 8FG40U, 8FG45U, 8FG50U, 8FG60U, 8FG70U, 8FG80U
- **1KD engine (2014–2021):**
  - 8FD35U, 8FD40U, 8FD45U, 8FD50U, 8FD60U, 8FD70U, 8FD80U
- **1ZS engine (2014–2021):**
  - 8FDU15, 8FDU18, 8FDU20, 8FDU25, 8FDU30, 8FDU32

Who Is Excluded

The settlement website does not publish a specific list of excluded parties. Individuals or entities who opted out of the Settlement by the June 1, 2026 deadline are excluded and retain the right to sue Defendants independently. Standard exclusions (such as Defendants, their employees, judges, etc.) may apply per the Settlement Agreement; please refer to that document for the full exclusion list.

How to File

- **Step 1 — Verify Eligibility:** Confirm that you purchased or leased a qualifying Toyota IC Forklift model in the U.S. on or before January 20, 2026. Cross-reference your forklift's engine type and model number against the qualifying model list above.
- **Step 2 — Gather Documentation:** Collect supporting documents, including proof of ownership or lease for each qualifying forklift. The Settlement Administrator may request additional documentation.
- **Step 3 — Submit Your Claim:** File online at **www.forkliftsettlement.com**, or download the Claim Form from the settlement website, complete it, and mail it to the Settlement Administrator. Claims must be submitted online or **postmarked by September 23, 2026**.
- **Step 4 — Respond to Follow-Up:** If your claim is incomplete, the Settlement Administrator will contact you and allow 30 days to provide missing information.
- **Step 5 — Service Plan Visit (optional, separate process):** To schedule your free Service Plan visit, contact your local authorized TMH dealer directly, providing your forklift's model and serial number. This must be

done within three years of the Effective Date (currently estimated by August 8, 2029). Find your local dealer at: **https://www.toyotaforklift.com/find-a-dealer**.
- **Step 6 — Await Payment:** The Settlement Administrator will calculate payment amounts. Payments will be distributed after the Effective Date.

Mail claims to:
Toyota Forklift Settlement Administrator
P.O. Box 301132
Los Angeles, CA 90030-1132

Contact the Settlement Administrator:
Email: admin@forkliftsettlement.com
Phone: 1-888-226-4715

Defendants

- **Toyota Material Handling, N.A.**
- **Toyota Material Handling, Inc.**
- **Toyota Industries Corporation**

Plaintiffs allege that Defendants misrepresented the emission levels of certain Toyota IC Forklifts built between 2007 and 2021, and that those forklifts' actual emissions exceeded applicable regulatory limits. Defendants deny these claims. The Court has not adjudicated the merits.

Case History

- **Case filed:** Lawsuit titled *Broadmoor Lumber & Plywood Co., et al. v. Toyota Industries Corp., et al.*, pending in the U.S. District Court, Northern District of California, Case No. 3:24-cv-06640-JSC.
- **Amended Class Action Complaint filed:** Document available on the settlement website.
- **Motion for Preliminary Approval filed:** Unopposed Motion for Preliminary Approval of Class Settlement and Direction of Notice Under Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(e) filed, along with supporting declarations.
- **Preliminary Approval Order issued:** Court granted preliminary approval; order available on the settlement website.
- **Notice program initiated:** Long Form Notice distributed to class members.
- **Opt-out and objection deadline: June 1, 2026** (passed).
- **Motion for Final Approval filed:** Including requests for attorneys' fees, expenses, and service awards to class representatives; supporting declarations and reply brief filed.
- **Final Approval Hearing: July 10, 2026** at 9:00 a.m. — Court approved the Settlement.
- **Order re: Motion for Final Approval and Award of Attorneys' Fees, Costs, and Service Awards:** Issued by the Court (document available on settlement website).
- **Claims Deadline: September 23, 2026.**
- **Service Plan visit window:** Three years from Effective Date, currently estimated through August 8, 2029.
- **New Parts Warranty trigger deadline: October 31, 2028** (if a government-approved recall is offered).

Source

- www.forkliftsettlement.com (Homepage)
- www.forkliftsettlement.com (Documents page)

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Reviewer Flags

- **First draft** — no previous version exists in the knowledge base.
- **Filing deadline discrepancy (flag for review):** The Homepage states the claim form must be submitted online or postmarked by **September 23, 2026**, while the Documents page lists the Claim Form with the note "Submit by September 22, 2026." These dates differ by one day. The article uses September 23, 2026 as the operative deadline (consistent with the homepage and all other homepage references), but this should be confirmed with the Settlement Administrator before advising clients. This contradiction is flagged here per instructions.
- **Homepage** provided: settlement overview, settlement amount ($299,500,000), qualifying forklift models and engine types, class period, claims deadline (September 23, 2026), opt-out/objection deadline (June 1, 2026, passed), Final Approval Hearing date (July 10, 2026, completed), Service Plan visit details and estimated window (through August 8, 2029), New Parts Warranty description, contact information for Settlement Administrator and class counsel, and FAQ content.
- **Documents page** provided: list of all filed court documents (Settlement Agreement, Amended Complaint, Long Form Notice, Preliminary Approval Order, Claim Form, Motion for Preliminary Approval and supporting declarations, Motion for Final Approval and supporting declarations, Reply ISO Final Approval, Supplemental Declaration re: Claim Status, Order re: Final Approval and Fees), and the conflicting claim form date of September 22, 2026.
- **Excluded parties:** The settlement website does not publish a detailed exclusion list. Reviewers should consult the Settlement Agreement (available on the Documents page) to verify standard exclusions and add them to a future version of this article.
- **Per-claimant payment estimate:** Not published on the settlement website. May be worth monitoring as claim data becomes available post-deadline.