

Seat Mechanism Components Developed by Toyota Boshoku Used for First Time in Mazda CX-8 Second-Row Seats

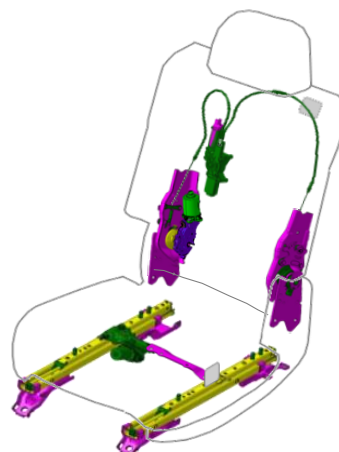
Toyota Boshoku Corporation (Headquarters: Kariya City, Aichi Prefecture; President: Takeshi Numa) developed new seat mechanism components. These mechanism components are to be used in the second-row 4-way power seats for the Mazda CX-8 three-row crossover SUV that Mazda Motor Corporation released in October 2019.

The mechanism components enable automatic reclining and sliding adjustments of second-row seats. In addition, the feature includes a "power walking-in" mechanism that automatically tilts the seat back forward while sliding the seat forward, all with the press of a button, providing easier third-row seat entry and exit.

Toyota Boshoku has been promoting proposals to Mazda for seats and seat mechanism components with activities including establishment of a Hiroshima Marketing Office in October 2018, followed by a joint venture, TOYOTA BOSHOKU AKI USA, LLC*, established in Alabama (USA) in September 2019. This is the first product adopted for Mazda car seats.



MAZDA CX-8 XD Exclusive Mode (Special Edition)
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Seat mechanism components for which Toyota Boshoku has received initial orders (colored portion).

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