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Personnel Changes

Mazda Motor Corporation has announced the following personnel changes, effective February 1, 2026, and April 1, 2026.

1. General managers (Dept.) and above (effective February 1, 2026)

New post	Current post	Name
Center General Manager and Leader Development & Monozukuri Center Electrification Business Div.	Center General Manager Development & Monozukuri Center Electrification Business Div.	Seiji Miyoshi
General Manager General Affairs Dept.	Manager General Affairs Dept.	Hisashi Ninomiya
Dispatched to Mazda Ace Co., Ltd. (Senior Advisor)	General Manager General Affairs Dept.	Yasunari Tanimoto
Dispatched to Mazda de Mexico Vehicle Operation (Senior Advisor)	Dispatched to Mazda de Mexico Vehicle Operation (Executive Vice President)	Takafumi Fukai
Dispatched to Mazda de México Vehicle Operation (Executive Vice President)	Dispatched to Mazda de México Vehicle Operation (Vice President)	Akihiro Kometani
-	Leader Electrification Business Div. (Effective January 31, 2026)	Shouji Kusuda

2. General managers (Dept.) and above (effective April 1, 2026)

*Personnel changes for the General Manager (Div.), please refer to the news release announced today at 11:30. (JST).

URL: <https://newsroom.mazda.com/en/publicity/release/2026/202601/260130a.html>

New post	Current post	Name
Senior Division Manager; General Manager Corporate Strategy Div., General Manager Corporate Planning & Development Div., General Manager Business Innovation Dept. Corporate Strategy Div. and Staff Manager MAX Project Office	General Manager Corporate Strategy Div.	Takeshi Nishiki
Deputy General Manager MDI & IT Div.	General Manager Infrastructure Systems Dept.	Toshiyuki Okahara
General Manager MDI Operations Design Dept.	Program Manager MDI Operations Design Dept.	Masahiro Matsumoto
General Manager Connected Systems Dept.	Staff Manager Connected Systems Dept.	Yasuyuki Kubota
General Manager Infrastructure Systems Dept.	Staff Manager Connected Systems Dept.	Tomonori Machida
Deputy General Manager R&D Innovation Div. and Program Manager Direct report to CTO	Program Manager Direct report to Managing Executive Officer in charge of Vehicle Development, Product Development, Design and Cost Innovation	Takayuki Ito
Deputy General Manager R&D Innovation Div.	Center General Manager Business & Organization Transformation Center, Electrification Business Div.	Kunimitsu Horike

Program Manager R&D Innovation Div.	Program Manager R&D Strategy Planning Div.	Mitsuhide Kikkawa
Staff Manager R&D Innovation Div.	Staff Manager R&D Strategy Planning Div.	Kenichi Tachikawa
General Manager Development Resources Strategy Planning Dept. R&D Innovation Div.	General Manager Development Strategy Planning Dept. R&D Strategy Planning Div.	Kiyotaka Onaka
General Manager Technical Research Dept. R&D Innovation Div.	General Manager Technical Research Dept. R&D Strategy Planning Div.	Teruyoshi Konishi
General Manager R&D Vitality Creation Dept. R&D Innovation Div.	General Manager R&D Administration Dept. R&D Strategy Planning Div.	Kenji Kato
General Manager Environmental & Safety Engineering Dept. R&D Innovation Div.	General Manager Environmental & Safety Engineering Dept. R&D Strategy Planning Div.	Tomo Ataka
General Manager Design Development Planning Dept.	Manager Design Development Planning Dept.	Takashi Okamura
Domain Head KURUMA Development Div., Deputy General Manager Corporate Strategy Div. and Leader MAX Project Office	General Manager Product Development Div.	Tomohiro Tanimoto
Domain Head and Leader KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager Chassis Dynamics Dev. Dept.	Tatsuya Shimosaki
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Leader Electrification Business Div.	Hidenori Matsuoka
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Leader Electrification Business Div.	Yoshinobu Katayama
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Leader Electrification Business Div.	Junichi Doi

Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Leader Electrification Business Div.	Taro Oike
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Leader Electrification Business Div.	Masumitsu Suehiro
Leader KURUMA Development Div. and Staff Manager Business Innovation Dept.	Leader Electrification Business Div.	Naoki Iijima
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Leader Electrification Business Div.	Shin Murata
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Deputy General Manager R&D Strategy Planning Div.	Toshio Kamihachi
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Senior Creative Expert Design Innovation Studio	Yoshikazu Miyachi
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Deputy General Manager Vehicle Development Div.	Masaki Ueno
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Program Manager Vehicle Development Div.	Seiji Nakano
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Program Manager Vehicle Development Div.	Tsuyoshi Iwata
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager Vehicle Development Promotion Dept.	Nobuya Sawamura
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Deputy General Manager Integrated Control System Development Div.	Keigo Fukuda
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Deputy General Manager Integrated Control System Development Div.	Seiji Goto
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	General Research Manager Integrated Control System Development Div.	Takuro Miyoshi
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	General Research Manager Integrated Control System Development Div.	Masaki Chiba

Leader KURUMA Development Div.	General Research Manager Integrated Control System Development Div.	Satoshi Komori
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Program Manager Integrated Control System Development Div.	Katsumi Murakami
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Program Manager Integrated Control System Development Div.	Kouichi Kojima
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Program Manager Integrated Control System Development Div.	Akihiro Fujiwara
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Deputy General Manager Powertrain Development Div.	Motoshi Kataoka
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Deputy General Manager Powertrain Development Div.	Takayuki Yamada
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Deputy General Manager Powertrain Development Div.	Ryotaro Nishida
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Program Manager Powertrain Development Div. and Leader Electrification Business Div.	Shinichi Hikitani
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Program Manager Powertrain Development Div. and Leader Electrification Business Div.	Satoshi Fujikawa
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager Powertrain Planning Dept.	Yoshiaki Yamane
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Program Manager Powertrain Planning Dept.	Yukihiro Inada
Leader KURUMA Development Div.	Senior Principal Engineer PT Control System Development Dept. and Senior Principal Engineer R&D Strategy Planning Div.	Yuichiro Tsumura

Program Manager KURUMA Development Div.	Leader and Program Manager Electrification Business Div.	Hiroshi Kinoshita
Program Manager KURUMA Development Div.	Program Manager Product Development Div.	Kohei Shibata
Program Manager KURUMA Development Div.	Program Manager Product Development Div.	Naoki Shimura
Program Manager KURUMA Development Div.	Program Manager Product Development Div.	Kenji Sasaki
Program Manager KURUMA Development Div.	Program Manager Product Development Div.	Shigeki Saito
Program Manager KURUMA Development Div.	Program Manager Product Development Div.	Akihiro Noda
Program Manager KURUMA Development Div.	Program Manager Product Development Div.	Taro Maeda
Program Manager KURUMA Development Div.	Program Manager Product Development Div.	Naoki Moriya
Program Manager KURUMA Development Div.	Program Manager Product Development Div.	Koichiro Yamaguchi
Program Manager KURUMA Development Div.	Program Manager Product Development Div.	Yasunori Takahara
Program Manager KURUMA Development Div.	Program Manager Product Development Div.	Mitsuyo Okadome
Program Manager KURUMA Development Div.	Program Manager Powertrain Development Div.	Masanari Sueoka
Program Manager KURUMA Development Div.	Program Manager Powertrain Development Div.	Tsukasa Hoshino
Program Manager KURUMA Development Div.	Program Manager Powertrain Development Div.	Hirokazu Hasegawa

Senior Principal Engineer KURUMA Development Div.	Senior Principal Engineer Interior & Exterior Components Development Dept. Vehicle Development Div.	Yohei Ichihara
Senior Principal Engineer KURUMA Development Div.	Senior Principal Engineer Integrated Control System Development Div.	Yasuyoshi Mushitani
Senior Principal Engineer KURUMA Development Div.	Senior Principal Engineer Integrated Control System Development Div.	Takamasa Suetomi
Senior Principal Engineer KURUMA Development Div.	Senior Principal Engineer Electronic Platform Development Dept. Integrated Control System Development Div.	Hiroataka Mochizuki
Expert Engineer KURUMA Development Div.	Expert Engineer Integrated Control System Development Div.	Toshifumi Ikeda
General Manager Product Planning Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager Product Planning Dept. Product Development Div. and Leader Electrification Business Div.	Hiroki Kubo
General Manager Architecture Design Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager Architecture Design Dept. R&D Strategy Planning Div.	Hiroshi Tanaka
General Manager Product Program Planning Promotion Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager Product Development Planning Dept. Product Development Div.	Masahiko Gomi
General Manager Engineering System Development Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	Deputy Program Manager Vehicle Development Promotion Dept. Vehicle Development Div.	Tomoki Takahashi
General Manager MBD Innovation Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager MBD Innovation Dept. Integrated Control System Development Div. and Staff Manager R&D Strategy Planning Div.	Shinichi Tsumura
General Manager Vehicle Testing & Research Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager Vehicle Testing & Research Dept. Vehicle Development Div.	Masanobu Fukushima

General Manager NVH Performance Development Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager NVH Performance Development Dept. Vehicle Development Div.	Minoru Takata
General Manager Chassis Dynamics Development Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	Manager Chassis Dynamics Development Dept. Vehicle Development Div.	Akihito Yamazaki
General Manager Crash Safety Development Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager Crash Safety Development Dept. Vehicle Development Div.	Shigeru Sugimoto
General Manager Body Development Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager Body Development Dept. Vehicle Development Div.	Tomohiro Kajiyama
General Manager Chassis Development Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager Chassis Development Dept. Vehicle Development Div.	Hiromi Miwade
General Manager Interior & Exterior Components Development Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager Interior & Exterior Components Development Dept. Vehicle Development Div. and Leader Electrification Business Div.	Masahiro Asahi
General Manager Advanced Safety Vehicle Development Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager Advanced Safety Vehicle Development Dept. Integrated Control System Development Div.	Yasunori Yamamoto
General Manager Infotainment and Control Model Development Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager Infotainment and Control Model Development Dept. Integrated Control System Development Div.	Keisuke Hihara
General Manager Electronic Platform Development Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager Electronic Platform Development Dept. Integrated Control System Development Div.	Seiji Numa
General Manager Electrical & Electronics Performance Development Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager Electrical & Electronics Performance Development Dept. Integrated Control System Development Div.	Manabu Takeshige

General Manager Vehicle Dynamics Control System Development Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager PT Control System Development Dept. Powertrain Development Div.	Daishi Ikeda
General Manager Powertrain Technology Development Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager Powertrain Technology Development Dept. Powertrain Development Div.	Takashi Youso
General Manager Engine Design Engineering Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager Engine Design Engineering Dept. Powertrain Development Div.	Yosuke Shimai
General Manager Engine Performance Development Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager Engine Performance Development Dept. Powertrain Development Div.	Shinichi Morinaga
Senior Principal Engineer Engine Performance Development Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	Senior Principal Engineer Engine Performance Development Dept. Powertrain Development Div.	Daisuke Shimo
General Manager Drivetrain Development Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager Drivetrain Development Dept. Powertrain Development Div.	Yasuki Okadome
General Manager Drivability & Environmental Performance Development Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager Drivability & Environmental Performance Development Dept. Powertrain Development Div.	Akira Tsuda
General Manager Battery System Development Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	Leader Electrification Business Div.	Yasushi Torii
General Manager Electric Drive System Development Dept. KURUMA Development Div.	General Manager Electric Drive System Development Dept. Powertrain Development Div.	Takehito Noda
General Manager and General Research Manager Technical Research Center	General Manager Technical Research Center	Toshihide Yamamoto

Deputy General Manager and General Research Manager Technical Research Center and Senior Principal Engineer KURUMA Development Div.	General Research Manager Technical Research Center, Senior Principal Engineer R&D Strategy Planning Div., Senior Principal Engineer Integrated Control System Development Div., and Senior Principal Engineer Electrification Business Div.	Masanori Honda
Deputy General Manager Purchasing Div. and General Manager Purchasing Administration Dept.	Dispatched to Mazda North American Operations (Vice President)	Takashi Suzuki
General Manager Parts Purchasing Dept. No.2	Manager Materials Purchasing Dept.	Kazunori Hasegawa
General Manager Production Engineering Development Promotion Dept.	Deputy Program Manager Production Engineering Development Promotion Dept.	Kazuya Hayashi
Deputy General Manager Hofu Plant	General Manager Production Engineering Development Promotion Dept.	Shigeki Morimoto
General Manager Powertrain Production Dept. No.4, Hofu Plant	Staff Manager Production Research Dept.	Yohei Goto
Program Manager Quality Div.	Staff Manager Technical Research Dept.	Kazuya Yamamoto
General Manager Business Transformation Promotion Dept.	Dispatched to Mazda North American Operations	Shohei Oura
General Manager and Leader Value Chain Acceleration Office	Center General Manager Business Transformation Center Electrification Business Div.	Nobuyuki Higashino
Leader Value Chain Acceleration Office	Program Manager Electrification Business Div.	Masahiro Yamada

Leader Value Chain Acceleration Office and General Manager After-sales Business Promotion Dept.	General Manager After-sales Business Promotion Dept.	Katsunori Nishioka
Program Manager and Leader Value Chain Acceleration Office	Program Manager and Leader Electrification Business Div.	Masaya Kodama
Dispatched to IBM Japan Digital Services Company	General Manager MDI & IT Div.	Shinichi Kikuchi
Dispatched to Mazda North American Operations (Vice President)	Dispatched to Mazda North American Operations	Hiroki Sato

Note: Effective April 1, 2026, the position of “Senior Division Manager” will be newly established. This is a position leading a division responsible for critical business operations, carrying responsibilities and expectations similar to those of an executive, and driving operations from a position close to executive officers.
The position of Supreme Manager will be abolished on same timing.

Note: This announcement includes job positions for which there is no mention of current or new appointees. Transfer information regarding those positions will be announced at a later date.

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