

SAFETY RECALL BULLETIN

MARCH 2005

ATTENTION:**SERVICE MANAGERS / PARTS MANAGERS****SUBJECT:****ACCURIDE ALUMINUM WHEELS P/N 29644 ANP
SIZE 22.5 X 8.25****VEHICLES
AFFECTED:****CERTAIN AUTOCAR WX, WXR AND WXLL MODEL
VEHICLES DELIVERED BETWEEN FEBRUARY 2005
AND MARCH 2005 IN THE VIN NUMBER RANGE
OF 200583 TO 202028.****SAFETY RECALL INFORMATION:**

Autocar LLC has decided that a defect that relates to motor vehicle safety may exist in certain Autocar WX, WXR and WXLL model, heavy-duty class 8 vehicles manufactured between February 2005 and March 2005. The identified vehicles are fitted with Accuride Aluminum Wheels P/N 29644 ANP - Size 22.5 x 8.25 - 15 degree tubeless aluminum wheels manufactured with date codes shown below on Page 4.

NUMBER of VEHICLES AFFECTED:

There are Fifty-six (56) vehicles assembled at the Autocar Hagerstown facility potentially affected, with serial numbers 200583 through 202028.

NOTE: To verify or determine if a particular vehicle is affected by this recall (or any other recall), you should consult the Service/Warranty screen. By entering the Vehicle Identification Number into the VIN Profile, the screen will display any outstanding recall(s).

If a "Dealer Listing" is enclosed, it identifies the vehicles that were sold or shipped to your dealership. Be sure to check the VIN Profile screen before performing the recall to verify that the recall is still open. If the recall has been completed by another dealer the word "Completed" will be shown behind the recall number.

INSPECTION INSTRUCTIONS:

Please see the Inspection Procedure starting on Page 3.

TIME ALLOWANCE:

Inspection	0.4 hour per vehicle
Repair:	0.7 hours for the 1 st wheel, 0.6 hours for each additional wheel

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RECALL PARTS:

Accuride Aluminum Wheels P/N 29644 ANP - Size 22.5 x 8.25 - 15 degree tubeless aluminum wheels.

CLAIMS FOR CREDIT:

Warranty claims associated with this recall should be directed to Accuride Corporation, call Accuride Field Engineering at 1-800-869-2275 between 7:00 AM and 4:00 PM Central Time, Monday thru Friday. Accuride will pay valid claims for the replacement of suspect wheels.

Dealers or fleets should call Accuride Field Engineering at 1-800-869-2275 before starting the recall procedure. Accuride will need the follow information in order to start a case number and give the repair facility the approval to proceed with the work.

- Reference to Accuride Campaign Number: 05E-020
- Reference to the vehicle manufacturer's campaign number A-0504.
- 17-digit vehicle identification number (VIN).
- Accuride Part Number and Date Code stamped on the wheel.
- Vehicle owner's name, address, and telephone number.
- Vehicle in-service date.
- Repairing facility name, address, and telephone number.
- Repair facilities hourly rate.

OWNER RECALL RESPONSE CARD:

The "Owner Recall Response Card" is to provide the vehicle owner with a convenient way to notify Autocar LLC of changes affecting the ownership of the subject vehicle. The owner card is not intended for dealer usage other than to assist you in the preparation of the repair orders necessary to perform the applicable recall on the subject vehicle. Please do not use the card as a way to inform Autocar LLC that the vehicle has been inspected or modified. Your claim on line is sufficient.

DEALER RECALL RESPONSIBILITY:

Dealers are to perform the remedy on all vehicles subject to the recall at no charge to the owner regardless of mileage, age of vehicle, or ownership from this time forward. Whenever a vehicle subject to this recall is taken into your dealership for service, we strongly recommend you make every effort to perform the recall remedy before the vehicle is released to the owner.

NOTE: It is illegal to sell a vehicle from your inventory with any outstanding recalls.

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INSPECTION PROCEDURE

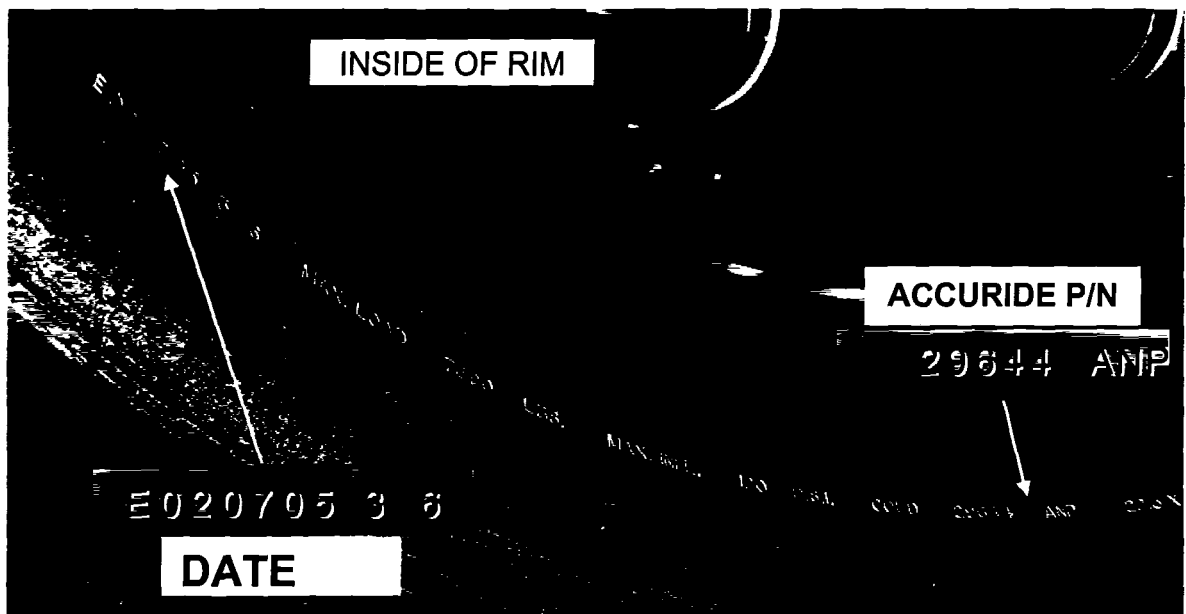
To prevent eye injury, always wear eye protection when performing vehicle maintenance, service or inspection.

DANGER

Before working on a vehicle, set the parking brake, place the transmission in neutral and block the wheels. Failure to do so can result in unexpected vehicle movement and can cause serious personal injury or death.

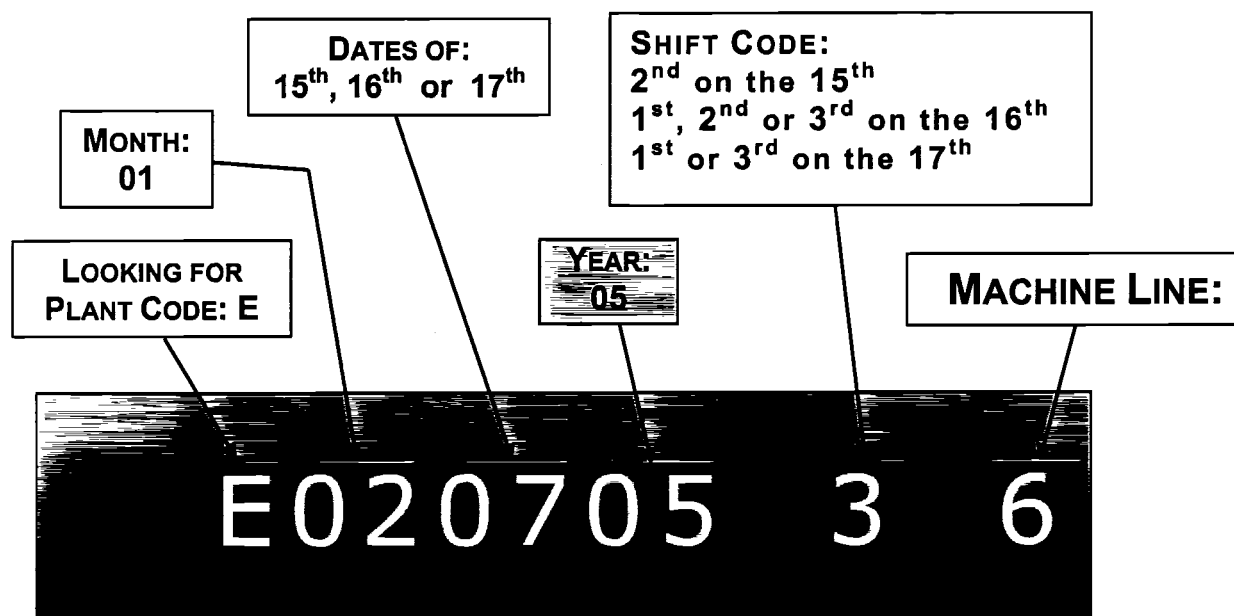
1. Park the vehicle on a level surface. Turn off the engine, apply the parking brakes, and chock the rear tires to keep the vehicle from moving.
2. Record the date codes and Accuride wheel part numbers on all the Accuride wheels on the truck. If any of the wheels match the Accuride Wheel Part Number (29644 ANP) and one of the date codes provided below the wheel must be replaced.
3. If the wheel part number and date codes do not match the recall is complete.

DATE CODE AND PART NUMBER LOCATIONS



DATE CODES

Plant Code	Manufacturing Date	Shift	Machine Line
E	011505	2	6
E	011605	1	6
E	011605	2	6
E	011605	3	6
E	011705	1	6
E	011705	3	6

HOW TO INTERPRET THE DATE CODE

SAFETY PROCEDURES FOR SERVICING TRUCK TIRES AND RIMS/WHEELS

The following guidelines are very important safety procedures. If you service truck tires and rims/wheels, **READ, UNDERSTAND, and FOLLOW** these safety procedures. Improper service procedures can lead to serious, even fatal, accidents for you or others.

- Place jack stands of adequate rating under axle.

DANGER

Do not work on a vehicle only supported by jacks. Jacks may slip from under the truck or fall over, causing serious personal injury or death. Always use jack stands under the truck.

- Deflate tires before servicing.

DANGER

Always deflate the tire completely before removing from vehicle (deflate both tires of a dual assembly). Unseen damage could cause the assembly to explode during removal if the tire is removed while still inflated causing serious or fatal injury.

- Always deflate the tire completely before removing from vehicle (deflate both tires of a dual assembly). Unseen damage could cause the assembly to explode during removal if the tire is removed while still inflated.
- Remove valve core to ensure the tire is deflated.
- Run a piece of heavy wire through the valve stem to make sure stem is not plugged.



Run a wire through the valve stem.

LUBRICATE COMPONENTS BEFORE ASSEMBLY

Use only lubricants recommended by rim and tire makers, such as vegetable oil and animal soap solutions. If a lubricant is water based, it should contain a rust inhibitor. When dry, the lubricant should not remain slippery. Do not use petroleum, silicon, or solvent-based lubricants as these may damage the tire rubber or cause rust buildup or tire-to-rim slippage.

Apply an approved tire lubricant to rim bead seat area, tire beads, tire flap, and other rim to tire contact surfaces just before mounting tire.

PROTECT YOURSELF DURING INFLATION



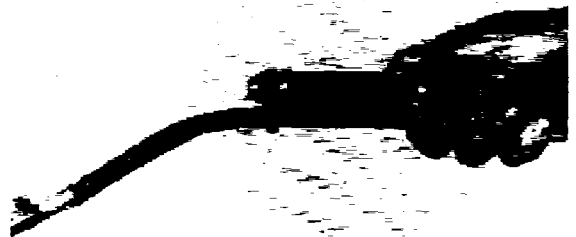
Failure to follow proper inflation procedures can expose you or bystanders to an explosion resulting in serious injury or death.

You can protect yourself and bystanders during inflation by **always** observing the following safety procedures. If you cut corners on safety procedures you may cause a serious or fatal accident.

- **Always** inflate in a safety cage or other OSHA approved restraining device.
- **Always** use a clip-on air chuck and remote in-line valve and gauge.
- **Always stand back.** Keep yourself and others away from and out of the trajectory of the inflating assembly. Don't lean or put any part of your body on the restraining device. The air blast alone, or movement of the restraining device, could cause injury if an explosion occurs.



Safety Cage

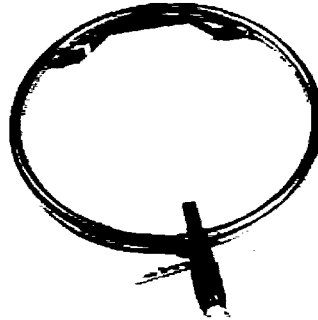


In-line Valve and Gauge



Clip-on Air Chuck

If tire beads are difficult to seal, use an approved device such as an inflation ring to seat the tire. Tire bead seating equipment like this inflation ring (shown below) is available to help seat beads of tubeless tires.



Inflation Ring

Never pour or spray any flammable substance (such as ethyl ether or gasoline) into or onto a tire and light it to seat the beads. This practice is very dangerous and can cause a severe explosion or undetected damage to the tire or rim, leading to serious or fatal injury. Never put any flammable substance into or on a tire or rim/wheel for any purpose whatsoever.

- **Always** inflate in a safety cage. However, when a tire is being partially inflated (without restraining device) to round out the tube or seat the side/lock ring, do not inflate to more than 3 psi. Further inflation could result in explosive separation.
- **Never inflate to more than 40 psi to seat tire beads.** More inflation can cause a tire explosion. If tire beads do not seat when inflated to 40 psi, deflate assembly, re-inspect the components, properly assemble, and follow proper inflation procedures to re-inflate.
- After the tire is fully inflated, inspect the tire, rim, and rings for proper seating **before** removing assembled unit from the restraining device.