



U.S. Department  
of Transportation  
**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20590

December 14, 2007

MR. SHELL BARR  
MANAGER (WARRANTY)  
TRIUMPH MOTORCYCLES AMERICA LIMITED  
WALT SANDERS MEMORIAL DRIVE, SUITE 101  
NEWNAN CITY, GA

NVS-215paw  
07V-562

**Subject:** OPTIONAL DEALER INSTALLED ACCESSORY RACKS

Dear MR. BARR:

This letter serves to acknowledge Triumph Motorcycles America Limited's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety defect in the products described below, for which a safety recall campaign shall be conducted pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 30119.

Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

**Makes/Models/Model Years:**

TRIUMPH/SPRINT ST 1050/2005-2008  
TRIUMPH/TIGER 1050/2004-2008

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 07V-562

**Mfg's Report Date:** December 4, 2007

**Components:** EQUIPMENT: MECHANICAL: CARRIER/RACK

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 3,698

**Summary:**

ON CERTAIN MOTORCYCLES EQUIPPED WITH AN OPTIONAL ACCESSORY LUGGAGE RACK, UNDERSIZED WASHERS WERE USED WHICH PREVENTS THE SLIDING CARRIAGE FROM MOVING AS INTENDED.

**Consequence:**

REDUCED STABILITY CAN OCCUR IF THE MOTORCYCLE IS RIDDEN WITH THE FITTED ACCESSORY, EXCEEDED MAXIMUM WEIGHT, AND AT SPEEDS FAR IN EXCESS OF THE 80 MPH LIMIT WARNING, INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

**Remedy:**

DEALERS WILL INSPECT THE ACCESSORY RACKS FOR LATERAL MOVEMENT. THOSE RACKS NOT DISPLAYING ANY MOVEMENT WILL BE REPAIRED. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING DECEMBER 2007. OWNERS MAY CONTACT TRIUMPH AT 1-678-854-2010.

**Notes:**

CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

The information in your defect report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6.

Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at [Patricia.wallace@dot.gov](mailto:Patricia.wallace@dot.gov), [Delia.lopez@dot.gov](mailto:Delia.lopez@dot.gov), or through the office email at [RMD.ODI@dot.gov](mailto:RMD.ODI@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Person". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "G" and a long, sweeping underline.

George H. Person  
Chief, Recall Management Division  
Office of Defects Investigation  
Enforcement