

Safety Defect and Noncompliance Report Guide for Vehicles
PART 573 Defect and Noncompliance Report³

On FEB 1, 2007, 2001, DUCATI MOTOR HOLDINGS [MFR] decided that (a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety)(a noncompliance with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 577) exists in the motor vehicles listed below, and is furnishing notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573 Defect and Noncompliance Reports.

Date this report was prepared: MARCH 27, 2007

Furnish the manufacturer's identification code for this recall (if applicable): RCL-07-002

1. Identify the full corporate name of the fabricating manufacturer of the vehicle being recalled. If the recalled vehicle is imported, provide the name and mailing address of the designated agent as prescribed by 49 U.S.C. §30164.

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Identify the corporate official, by name and title, whom the agency should contact with respect to this recall.

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Name and Title of Person who prepared this report.

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Signed: 
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³Each manufacturer must furnish a report, to the Associate Administrator for Safety Assurance, for each defect or noncompliance condition which relates to motor vehicle safety.

This guide was developed from 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports" and also outlines information currently requested. Any questions, please consult the complete Part 573 or contact Mr. Jon White at (202) 366-5227 or by FAX at (202) 366-7882.

I. Identify the Vehicle Models Involved in the Recall

2. Identify the Vehicles Involved in the Recall, for each make and model or applicable vehicle line (provide illustrations or photographs as necessary to describe the vehicle), provide:

Make(s): DUCA TI Model Years Involved: 2007 Model(s): 1098

Production Dates: Beginning: 9/20/06 Ending: 10/1/06

VIN Range: Beginning: 7B000314 Ending: 7B001215

Vehicle Type: MOTORCYCLE Bodystyle: SUPERBIKE

Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall:

IDENTIFIABLE BY FRAME NUMBER ONLY

Make(s): _____ Model Years Involved: _____ Model(s): _____

Production Dates: Beginning: _____ Ending: _____

VIN Range: Beginning: _____ Ending: _____

Vehicle Type: _____ Bodystyle: _____

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Production Dates: Beginning: _____ Ending: _____

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Vehicle Type: _____ Bodystyle: _____

Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall:

Identify the approximate percentage of the production of all the recalled models manufactured by your company between the inclusive dates of manufacture provided above, that the recalled model population represents. For example, if the recall involved Widgets equipped with certain items of equipment from January 1, 1996 through April 1, 1997, then what was the percentage of the recalled Widgets of all Widgets manufactured during that time period. 30%

II. Identify the Recall Population

3. Furnish the total number of vehicles recalled potentially containing the defect or noncompliance.

Model	Year	Number of Vehicles Potentially Involved
1098 SUPERBIKE	2007	
		146 TOTAL US+CAN
		119 US
		27 CANADA

Total Number Potentially Affected by the Recall:

146

4. Furnish the approximate percentage of the total number of vehicles estimated to actually contain the defect or noncompliance: 25%

Identify and describe how the recall population was determined--in particular how the recalled models were selected and the basis for the beginning and final dates of manufacture of the recalled vehicles:

QUALITY CONTROLS DETERMINED THAT THE
PREFORMED HOSE CONNECTING THE HORIZONTAL
CYLINDER HEAD FITTING TO THE THERMOSTAT
PRODUCED A COOLANT LEAKAGE

III. Describe the Defect or Noncompliance

5. Describe the defect or noncompliance. The description should address the nature and physical location of the defect or noncompliance. Illustrations should be provided as appropriate.

THE THERMOSTAT HOSE TO THE HORIZONTAL CYLINDER
PRODUCED A COOLANT LEAKAGE

Describe the cause(s) of the defect or noncompliance condition.

COOLANT LEAKAGE OVER THE REAR SUSPENSION AND
WHEEL COULD CAUSE AN ACCIDENT

Describe the consequence(s) of the defect or noncompliance condition.

SAME AS ABOVE

Identify any warning which can (a) precede or (b) occur.

NO WARNING AVAILABLE ONLY VISIBLE LEAKAGE

If the defect or noncompliance is in a component or assembly purchased from a supplier, identify the supplier by corporate name and address.

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Identify the name and title of the chief executive officer or knowledgeable representative of the supplier:

MR. ALFIO DOLCICORI

IV. Provide the Chronology in Determining the Defect/Noncompliance

If the recall is for a defect, complete item 6, otherwise item 7.

6. With respect to a defect, furnish a chronological summary (including dates) of all the principle events that were the basis for the determination of the defect. The summary should include, but not be limited to, the number of reports, accidents, injuries, fatalities, and warranty claims.

7. With respect to a noncompliance, identify and provide the test results or other data (in chronological order and including dates) on which the noncompliance was determined.

9/28/06 DURING ASSEMBLY LINE TESTING AND
EMISSION CONTROLS WITH ENGINE RUNNING AT
HIGH TEMPERATURE THE THERMOSTAT HOSE
COUPLING CONNECTING THE HOSE TO HORIZONTAL
CYLINDER CUT THE HOSE LINER PRODUCING COCCANT
LEAKAGE.

V. Identify the Remedy

8. Furnish a description of the manufacturer's remedy for the defect or noncompliance. Clearly describe the differences between the recall condition and the remedy.

PRODUCTION CHANGES IMPLEMENTED REPLACING
PRE FOLDED HOSE AND COUPLINGS
STARTING WITH FRAME NUMBER 7B 001216
FOR US-CAN MOTORCYCLES

Clearly describe the distinguishing characteristics of the remedy component/assembly versus the recalled component/assembly.

ALL 149 US-CAN 1098 SUPERBIKES 4Y2007
HAVE BEEN MODIFIED BY AUTHORIZED DUKATI DEALERS
PRIOR TO RETAIL DELIVERY TO CONSUMERS AND
NEW THERMOSTAT HOSE AND RELATIVE COUPLINGS
REPLACED.

Identify and describe how and when the recall condition was corrected in production. If the production remedy was identical to the recall remedy in the field, so state. If the product was discontinued, so state.

PRODUCTION STOPPED USING NEW THERMOSTAT
HOSE AND RELATIVE COUPLINGS BEGINNING WITH
FRAME NUMBER 73001067

VI. Identify the Recall Schedule

Furnish a schedule or agenda (with specific dates) for notification to other manufacturers, dealers/retailers, and purchasers. Please, identify any foreseeable problems with implementing the recall.

NO FORESEEABLE PROBLEMS WITH RECALL IMPLEMENTATION
ALL AFFECTED UNITS RECALLED PRIOR TO RETAIL
DELIVERY TO CONSUMERS. NOTIFICATION LETTER
TO CUSTOMER WAS NOT NECESSARY.

VII. Furnish Recall Communications

9. Furnish a final copy of all notices, bulletins, and other communications that relate directly to the defect or noncompliance and which are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, or purchaser. This includes all communications (including both original and follow-up) concerning this recall from the time your company determines the defect or noncompliance condition on, not just the initial notification. A *DRAFT* copy of the notification documents should be submitted to this office by Fax (202-366-7882) for review prior to mailing.

Note that these documents are to be submitted separately from those provided in accordance with Part 573.8 requirements.

Service Bulletin**RCL-07-002****DNA**

Date: February 8, 2007

To: Service Manager
Dealer Principal, North American Ducati Dealer Network

Subject: Thermostat hose replacement on selected motorcycles

Models: 1098 M.Y. 2007

Dear Service Manager,

This is to inform you that on the above listed motorcycle model during Pre Delivery Inspection you must replace the original pre-formed hose connecting the horizontal cylinder head to the thermostat. The VIN # list of affected motorcycles is attached.

The replacement hose is supplied inside the motorcycle crate. Please make sure that the new thermostat hose is installed correctly and the loss of coolant during the hose replacement operation is replenished using a 50/50 mixture of distilled water and antifreeze.

Ducati North America will refund you 1.5 hour labor for the time necessary to perform this operation.

Submit a Warranty Request in ARCO using the following codes:

- Claim Type: PC
- Subgroup: 2
- Failure code: 074
- Safety code: A
- Campaign number: BU
- Product line: 11
- Subject: 2
- Labor operation: 071 (1.5 Hrs.)

IMPORTANT:

It is mandatory that the operation described above is performed prior to retailing the motorcycle. It is possible that the original thermostat hose installed during production will crack causing a coolant leakage.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Ducati Service Department



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