

AIRSTREAM Inc.

SERVICE BULLETIN

Bulletin Number: 144
Product Line: 2008 & 2009 Interstate Motorhome
Subject: Seat Swivel Recall
Attn.: Dealer General & Service Managers

Date: July 25, 2008

This Bulletin is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

REASON FOR THIS RECALL

Airstream has determined that certain Airstream Interstate Class B Vans fail to conform to the requirements of part 571.207, "Seating Systems" of Part 49, Code of Federal Regulations. Fourteen Interstate Vans manufactured by Airstream between April 1, 2008 and June 1, 2008 were built with factory installed Driver and Passenger Seat Swivel Mechanisms that failed during routine seat compliance testing. It is possible that during a frontal impact, the Driver and Passenger Seat Swivel Mechanism could fail causing severe injury to the seat occupants.

UNITS AFFECTED

2008 Models

1B9HUWF218J301893
1B9HUWF238J301894
1B9HUWF258J301895
1B9HUWF278J301896
1B9HUWF298J301897
1B9HUWF208J301898
1B9HUWF228J301899

2009 Models

1B9HUWF239J301900
1B9HUWF259J301901
1B9HUWF279J301902
1B9HUWF299J301903
1B9HUWF209J301904
1B9HUWF229J301905
1B9HUWF249J301906

REMEDY

Replace the faulty Seat Swivel Mechanisms with a modified Swivel Mechanism that has been reinforced and has a stronger, Grade 8 Swivel Locking Bolt. This configuration has passed FMVSS 207/210 combined testing.

PARTS LIST

1 each P/N 386124	Driver seat swivel
1 each P/N 386214-01	Passenger seat swivel

Airstream Customer Service will send parts to a dealer on a no charge basis upon dealer request.

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PROCEDURE

1. Slide drivers seat forward and rotate the seat to expose and remove the 4 allen headed mounting bolts on each corner.



2. Remove the four allen headed bolts and lay the driver seat against the passenger's seat.
3. Disconnect the seat belt warning two wire connection and remove seat/swivel assembly from coach.
4. Repeat procedure for passenger seat. There is no wiring to disconnect on the passenger side.
5. Remove the four bolts holding the swivel to each seat and remove the swivels.
6. Install new swivels onto seat base using same bolts. Torque all 8 bolts to 30 newton-meters or 22 ft/lbs. Remember there is a driver and passenger side.
7. Reinstall seat/swivel assemblies to seat bases. Don't forget to plug in the wires on the driver's seat.

Flat rate for procedure is 2 hours. Job operation code is 2285.

The seat swivels must be returned to Airstream before dealer reimbursement is completed.

Use normal warranty procedure for dealer reimbursement of labor and shipping costs.

Please contact Airstream Customer Service at 937.596.6111 for parts or for any questions on this recall.

Thank You,
Airstream Customer Service