

Safety Defect and Noncompliance Report Guide for Vehicles
PART 573 Defect and Noncompliance Responsibility and Reports¹

On April 10th, 2012, Wilson Trailer Company [MFR] decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety 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 Responsibility and Reports**.

Date this report was prepared: May 10, 2012_____

Furnish the manufacturer's identification code for this recall (if applicable): _____

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.

Wilson Trailer Company 4400 So Lewis Blvd. PO Box 6300 Sioux City, IA 51106

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

Todd Heitman Technical Service & Warranty Manager

Telephone Number: 712-252-6477 Fax No.: 712-252-6510

Name and Title of Person who prepared this report.

Linda Kollbaum Warranty Assistant

Signed:

¹ Each manufacturer must furnish a report, to the Associate Administrator for Enforcement, for each defect or noncompliance condition which relates to motor vehicle safety.

This guide was developed from 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Responsibility and Reports" and also outlines information currently requested. Any questions, please consult the complete Part 573 or contact Ms. Jennifer Timian at (202) 366-0209, by FAX at (202) 366-7882, or by E-Mail to RMD.ODI@dot.gov.

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): Wilson Model Years Involved: 2012 Model(s): Other (Gooseneck)

Production Dates: Beginning: 9/11/2011 Ending: 12/19/2012

VIN Range: Beginning: Ending:

Vehicle Type OT Bodystyle: Gooseneck

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

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

Production Dates: Beginning: Ending:

VIN Range: Beginning: Ending:

Vehicle Type: Bodystyle:

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

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

Production Dates: Beginning: Ending:

VIN Range: Beginning: Ending:

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 Vehicles equipped with certain items of equipment from January 1, 1996 through April 1, 1997, then what was the percentage of the recalled Vehicles of all Vehicles manufactured during that time period.

II. Identify the Recall Population

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

<u>Model</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Number of Vehicles Potentially Involved</u>
Other (OT) Gooseneck trailers	2012	24

Total Number Potentially Affected by the Recall: _____

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

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:

Dexter Axle provided Wilson Trailer Company with the produced date of the recalled actuator.

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.

Reference Dexter Axle recall 11E-057

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

Reference Dexter Axle recall 11E-057

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

Reference Dexter Axle recall 11E-057

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

Reference Dexter Axle recall 11E-017

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

Dexter Axle Company

PO Box 250

Elkhart, IN 46515

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

William Dunlap Sr. Vice President of Engineering Dexter Axle Company

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.**

#6 Upon notification from Dexter Axle of the defect, Wilson Trailer Company determined which
Customers were affected regarding trailers with this actuator.

V. Identify the Remedy

8. A description of the manufacturer's program for remedying the defect or noncompliance. This program shall include a plan for reimbursing an owner or purchaser who incurred costs to obtain a remedy for the problem addressed by the recall within a reasonable time in advance of the manufacturer's notification of owners, purchasers and dealers, in accordance with §573.13 of this part. A manufacturer's plan may incorporate by reference a general reimbursement plan it previously submitted to NHTSA, together with information specific to the individual recall. Information required by §573.13 that is not in a general reimbursement plan shall be submitted in the manufacturer's report to NHTSA under this section. If a manufacturer submits one or more general reimbursement plans, the manufacturer shall update each plan every two years, in accordance with §573.13. The manufacturer's remedy program and reimbursement plans will be available for inspection by the public at NHTSA headquarters.

Wilson Trailer Company will give customers names and address that have the Dexter Axle actuator
Installed on their trailers regarding Dexter's recall 11E-057.

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

Wilson Trailer will notify these customer of Dexter's recall when we receive approval of our letter
And are assigned a recall number by NHTSA.

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

Reference Dexter Axle recall 11E-057

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.

Wilson Trailer Company has not been provided this information.

VI. Identify the Recall Schedule

10. 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.

As soon as Wilson Trailer receives approval of our documentation and receive our recall number
Letters will be sent to the customers. Wilson Trailer Company will be doing the quarterly reports.

VII. Furnish Recall Communications

11. 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) or by E-Mail to RMD.ODI@dot.gov for review prior to mailing.

Note that these documents are to be submitted separately from those provided in accordance with Part 579.5 requirements.