



**PRODUCT
SAFETY
RECALL**

First Notice
**HG6000TX Kingpin Hitch
Replacement Kit (IK00-1738)**

November 12, 2012

VIA USPS CERTIFIED/REGISTERED MAIL

Dear HG6000TX Owner:

Model: HG6000TX

Serial No: 1VR2390AXC1001006

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

Vermeer has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain model year 2012 Vermeer HG6000TX.

According to our records, you currently own a Vermeer HG6000TX Horizontal Grinder. The Model and Serial Number of the HG6000TX is shown at the top right of this letter. If you no longer own this unit, please notify the Product Safety Department at:

Toll Free: 800-829-0051, extension 7060

Telephone: 641-621-7060

E-mail: productsafety@vermeer.com

If possible, please provide the name and address of the new owner.

HORIZONTAL GRINDER MAY SEPARATE FROM TOW VEHICLE

The kingpin hitch installed was manufactured without a machining feature that positions the bolt on kingpin. Without this machining feature, the kingpin may be installed in a position that may lead to excessive wear either on the kingpin or fifth wheel hitch assembly. If not repaired, the excessive wear may cause the trailer to separate from the towing unit.

DEATH OR SERIOUS INJURY POSSIBLE

Death or serious injury is possible if the horizontal grinder separates from the tow vehicle while being towed on a public highway. Property or equipment damage is possible.

IMMEDIATE MACHINE MODIFICATIONS REQUIRED

IK00-1738 has been created to provide the necessary parts and instructions to replace and reposition the kingpin hitch assembly. **This kit must be installed as soon as possible.**

Please contact your authorized, independent **Vermeer dealer** immediately to arrange a mutually acceptable time and location to install IK00-1738 **at no cost** to you for labor or materials. The installation of this kit is estimated at 6 hours of labor. If the Vermeer dealer travels to the unit to install the kit, costs may be incurred by the owner. **You must have your machine upgraded for these safety features.**

Contact your local Vermeer Dealer:	NYNE EQUIPMENT LLC - CASTLETON 1235 ROUTE 9 CASTLETON NY 12033 UNITED STATES
Telephone:	518-732-7201

If the authorized dealer has failed or is unable to remedy the defect without charge and within a reasonable time, contact Vermeer Product Safety by email at productsafety@vermeer.com or by calling 800-829-0051 or 641-621-7060. You may also submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, D.C. 20590 or call the Vehicle Safety Hotline at 888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

We regret any inconvenience that these corrective measures may cause you. The required work is for the safety of the towing vehicle occupants and other drivers and passengers traveling on the public roadways. We hope that you agree that the safety benefits surpass the inconvenience.

Very truly yours,

PRODUCT SAFETY DEPARTMENT

Federal regulations require that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten (10) days.