



Dutchmen Manufacturing, Inc.
P.O. Box 2164
Goshen, IN 46527-2164

NHTSA Recall No. 13V-144

Safety Recall Notice

Dear Customer:

This **Notice** is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the United States National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Reason for This Recall

Dutchmen RV (Dutchmen) has decided that certain model year 2013 Dutchmen brand travel trailers, manufactured between January 23, 2013 and January 24, 2013, fail to comply with the requirements of 49CFR part 567, "Certification", and FMVSS 110 in the United States. Other trailer models manufactured by Dutchmen Manufacturing, Inc. during this time period are not included in this recall.

The vehicles subject to this recall campaign were manufactured with the incorrect information on the Federal Identification Tag, Tire and Loading Information Label, and The Recreational Vehicle Cargo Carrying Capacity Label. The Federal Identification Tag lists the wrong Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) and the wrong Gross Axle Weight Rating (GAWR). The GVWR of these vehicles was listed as 9,680 lbs. and should have been listed as 7,600 lbs. The error in the GVWR also caused the cargo carrying capacity of the trailers to be incorrect on the Tire and Loading Information Label, and The Recreational Vehicle Cargo Carrying Capacity Label. The GAWRs for the trailer were listed as 4,400 lbs. and should have been listed as 3,500 lbs. The tires were also listed as ST225/75R15(D) and should have been listed as ST205/75R14(C).

What We Will Do

Dutchmen has enclosed the corrected labels to remedy the situation and an instruction sheet.

What You Should Do

At your earliest convenience, apply the new Compliance Label over top of the existing label. If you require assistance installing the labels, please make an appointment with your dealer and bring the unit to the dealership and they will install the labels at no cost to you.



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If you have questions concerning this recall or if you need any assistance such as locating a Dutchmen authorized dealer or repair facility, please contact the **Dutchmen Warranty/Service Department** by mail at Dutchmen Manufacturing Inc., P.O. Box 2164, Goshen, IN 46527, by email at 'warranty@dutchmen.com', or by phone at 574-537-0700.

If you had appropriate repairs completed prior to receipt of this recall notice, and if you incurred any direct cost in connection with obtaining such repair, you may be eligible to receive reimbursement from Dutchmen by contacting the **Dutchmen Warranty/Service Department**.

Notifications

We have notified the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration of this recall and the procedures involved. Should Dutchmen fail or be unable to correct the defect without charge, you may write to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590; or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

Regulations require that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to lessee within 10 days.

We are sorry to cause this inconvenience; however, we have taken this action in the interest of your safety and continued satisfaction with our travel trailers.

Sincerely,

Jim Izbicki
Director of Service Operations

Re: NHTSA Recall No. 13V-144