

Part 573 Safety Recall Report**15V-273**

Manufacturer Name : Forest River, Inc.
Submission Date : MAY 11, 2016
NHTSA Recall No. : 15V-273
Manufacturer Recall No. : 15-05062015-0034

**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Forest River, Inc.
 Address : 55470 CR 1
 P.O. Box 3030 Elkhart IN 46515-3030
 Company phone : 1-800-348-7440

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 689
 Estimated percentage with defect : 64

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle : 2013-2015 Dynamax by Forest River 340RE, 36RL, 37BH, 38FL, 38RE, 38RL, 38WT, 39FB,

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Dynamax Fifth-Wheel Recreational Vehicles.

Production Dates : MAR 14, 2014 - DEC 05, 2014

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Begin : 5ZT3TL1B1FC000469

End : 5ZT3TL3B3FC000549

Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2015-2015 Cedar Creek -Forest River T40CD, CRT40CRL, CRT40CRS, WZCRF29IK,
 WZCRF2CRF29IK, CRF31RK, CRF33IK, CRF34RL, CRF35QB4, CRF36CKTS, CRF37BH, CRF38CK,
 CRF38FB2, CRF38FL, CRF38RD, CRT40CCK, CR9RE, WZCRF34RL, WZCRF35QB4, WZCRF36CKTS,
 WZCRF38CK, WZCRF38FB2, WZCRF38FL

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Cedar Creek Travel Trailers and Fifth-Wheel Recreational Vehicles.

Production Dates : MAR 01, 2014 - JAN 31, 2015

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Begin : 4X4FCRE26FS213333

End : 4X4FCRN23FS213452

Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2015-2015 Sandpiper by Forest River F3TTFLIK

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Sandpiper Fifth-Wheel Recreational Vehicles.

Production Dates : NOV 14, 2014 - DEC 14, 2014

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Begin : 4X4FSAP25FJ030917 End : 4X4FSAP25FJ030917 Not sequential VINs

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Vehicle : 2015-2015 Cedar Creek -Forest River WZCRF35QB4, WZCRF36CKTS, WZCRF38FL, WZCRT40CCK

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Cedar Creek Travel Trailers and Fifth-Wheel Recreational Vehicles.

Production Dates : APR 24, 2014 - APR 29, 2014

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Begin : 4X4FCRL25FS211852 End : 4X4TCRS20FS211875 Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2014-2014 Cardinal by Forest River CAF3850RL

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Cardinal Fifth Wheel Recreational Vehicles.

Production Dates : JUL 31, 2013 - AUG 01, 2013

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Begin : 4X4FCAR29EG099714 End : 4X4FCAR29EG099714 Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2015-2015 Cedar Creek -Forest River CRF29IK, CRF29RE, CRF31RK, CRF32RL, CRF32RL-7, CRF33RL, CRF34RLSA, CRF34RLSA-7, CRF35QB4, CRF36CKTS, CRF37BH, CRF37BH5, CRF38CK, CRF38FL, CRF38RD, CRF38RE, CRT40CCK, CRT40CDBR, CRT40CRS, WZCRF29IK, WZCRF29RE, WZCRF31RK, WZCRF32RL-7, WZCRF33RL

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Cedar Creek Travel Trailers and Fifth-Wheel Recreational Vehicles.

Production Dates : APR 30, 2014 - MAY 06, 2014

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Begin : 4X4FCRE28FS211700 End : 4X4FCRJ20FS211843 Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2015-2015 Sierra by Forest River F330RLS

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Sierra Fifth-Wheel Recreational Vehicles.

Production Dates : NOV 14, 2014 - DEC 14, 2014

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Begin : 4X4FSEJ24FJ041262

End : 4X4FSEJ24FJ041262

Not sequential VINs

Description of Defect :

Description of the Defect : "Specifically, HSM has determined that the rivets marked as #96 or rivets marked as #55, which connect the 2nd and 3rd step at the hinge point (2nd and 3rd step, defined as the 2nd step from the ground level and the 3rd step from the ground level) of the Quad step, may shear or pull out under load. HSM has further determined that on these RV Step configurations, the inboard rivets marked as #08 or 80, which connect the top step tread (top step, defined as the 4th step from the ground level) to the upper hinge bracket of the Quad Step, may shear or pull out under load." - HSM Statement from their recall 15E013

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : "HSM has further determined that on these RV Step configurations, the inboard rivets marked as #08 or 80, which connect the top step tread (top step, defined as the 4th step from the ground level) to the upper hinge bracket of the Quad Step, may shear or pull out under load." - HSM Statement from their recall 15E013

Description of the Cause : "HSM has determined that the rivets marked as #96 or rivets marked as #55, which connect the 2nd and 3rd step at the hinge point (2nd and 3rd step, defined as the 2nd step from the ground level and the 3rd step from the ground level) of the Quad step, may shear or pull out under load." - HSM Statement from their recall 15E013

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : "There is no visual or audible warning which would precede this condition. All step models indicated in this notice are presumed to contain the defect and must be repaired in accordance with the enclosed Service Repair Procedure, SRP 1502-0001" - HSM Statement from their recall 15E013

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name : HSM, Inc.

Address : 235 2nd Street

Hickory 28604

Country : NR

Chronology :

On May 7, 2015, Forest River received a recall notification from Hickory Spring Steps, one of Forest River's component suppliers advising that the bottom step of the triple or quadruple step could potentially fail due to the rivets' specified length exceeding the design standard. Following an internal investigation to confirm the use and scope of the affected parts, Forest River submitted a defect information report based on the defect determination made by Hickory Springs Steps.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : "Eligible under Safety Recall # 15E013

NOTE: All warranty claims must be submitted in accordance with HSM warranty procedures and shall include a copy of the completed Recall Response Card for each step repair.

"ATTENTION"

Any RV Step repair request for steps manufactured outside the date range of this recall, must be preceded by a "Preauthorization Request" which includes photographs of the step clearly indicating the step manufacturer and the defective rivets."

- HSM Statement from their recall 15E013

Forest River will ensure the recalls are remedied at no cost to the consumer or dealership.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : The subjected rivets referred to in this recall are being replaced with 3/8"-16 UNC 1.00" and 1.25", a flat washer and Stover Nuts.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : HSM is not clear in their notification to Forest River of their production remedy.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Forest River will immediately start gathering Owner and Dealership information.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : JUN 19, 2015 - JUN 19, 2015

Planned Owner Notification Date : JUN 26, 2015 - JUN 26, 2015

* NR - Not Reported