



FONTAINE TRAILER COMPANY

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

Dear Fontaine Dealer,

Fontaine has determined that a defect which relates to Motor vehicle safety exists in certain Revolution flat and drop trailers manufactured between April 23, 2015 and May 13, 2015. Accordingly, a recall to address this issue is being initiated effective 6/1/2015.

The defect involves brittle cracking of 5/8" ID hardened washer(s) used to attach key components to the Revolution trailer sub-frame. The hardened washers are an integral part of the fastener system (Bolt, washer and Nut) used to secure structural components to the trailer sub-frame.

Components affected include the coupler Plate (Kingpin Plate assembly), the landing gear attachment including support braces and if included dunnage storage racks attached to the landing gear, suspension frame hanger attachment and for some trailers equipped with a rear axle slide, the slide stops.

If the washer cracks, the clamp load on the fastener group can loosen rendering the bolted joint to be non-load bearing. If this condition goes unchecked, component damage will occur and can over time result in the loss of attachment of key structural components attached to the trailer sub-frame.

Owners will be notified by mail about the recall and will be instructed to bring the affected trailers into an approved repair facility. Fontaine will make arrangements to have fastener kits made available to replace all of the existing hardened washers along with the existing bolt and nut with new hardware. The update of fasteners takes approximately 12 man-hours. If the trailer is in service, arrangements will be made to provide temporary rental equipment until the updates are completed. There is no cost to owners for this recall.

Please be reminded that is a violation of Federal law for you to sell or lease the trailers covered by this notification until this recall has been performed on these vehicles. Substantial civil penalties apply to violation of this law

Your assistance with this recall is appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact your Sales representative or Fontaine Technical Services at 205-485-1300.

Sincerely

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