

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL



DEPARTMENT OF COMPLIANCE
VEHICLE SAFETY AND RECALL MANAGEMENT
BUILDING 11
423 N MAIN ST
MIDDLEBURY, INDIANA 46540-9218

NHTSA RECALL: 18V678
CANADA RECALL: 2018-531

- o *Integrity*
- o *Safety*
- o *Quality*
- o *Customer Service*

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Ronald Hunt
7304 Oak Meadow Drive
Batten Rouge, LA 70818

10/02/2018

This Notice applies to your vehicle VIN listed above.

Dear Forest River Customer:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act (US) and the Motor Vehicle Safety Act (Canada). Forest River – Office of Corporate Compliance (“OCC”) has decided that a defect, which relates to the motor vehicle safety, exists in certain 2019 - Rockwood and Flagstaff – travel trailer recreational vehicles.

WHAT IS THE DEFECT/NONCOMPLIANCE?

The brake mounting flange is incorrectly oriented (clocked) on the axles in question. The brake (mounted on the flange) is therefore also incorrectly oriented.

EVALUATION OF THE RISK TO THE VEHICLE AND OPERATOR(S) RELATED TO THE RECALL.

The brake is not designed to be incorrectly oriented. This can occasionally lead to the brake failing prematurely. If the brake mounting flange is incorrectly oriented, causing premature brake failure, which can increase the risk of a crash.

WHAT IS FOREST RIVER AND OUR DEALERSHIPS GOING TO DO?

The remedy for this recall is available upon receipt of this notification. Forest River has notified dealerships of this recall and have provided them with remedy instructions in order to properly inspect/replace the axle. You may have the recall corrected at any Forest River dealership. However, it is preferable if you have your selling dealership perform the remedy. Forest River completely covers your cost for the remedy; you will not receive any bill of sale for anything covered under the above recall number.

WHAT SHOULD YOU DO?

Please contact your dealer without delay and request a service appointment to schedule the free remedy. The vehicle Owner is responsible for making arrangements to have the work completed. Please state you have been notified by Forest River of having a recall in process for your vehicle and provide the recall number for the dealership. It is also helpful to the dealership to have a copy of this letter when you take your vehicle in for the recall remedy.

You may also visit www.forestriverinc.com for dealer locations.

HOW LONG WILL THE REMEDY PROCESS TAKE?

The estimated time of repair is 1.00 hour per axle. However, the dealership may need to keep your vehicle or schedule an appointment with you for a later date to fit into their regular service schedule.

WHAT IF YOU HAVE PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR REPAIRS TO YOUR VEHICLE FOR THIS PARTICULAR CONDITION?

If you have already paid for a repair that is within the scope of this defect under recall, you still need to have this recall inspected and/or performed to ensure the correct parts and procedures were utilized. Additionally, you may be eligible for a refund of previously paid repairs. Refunds will only be provided for within the scope of this defect under recall.

Please send the service invoice to the following address:

Dexter Axle Company
Attn: Warranty / Recalls
2900 Industrial Parkway East
Elkhart, IN 46516

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What if you no longer own this vehicle?

If you no longer own this vehicle and have the address for the current owner, please forward this letter to the new owner. You have received this letter because government regulations require that a notification is sent to the last known owner of record. Our records indicate that you are the current owner.

PLEASE NOTE: FEDERAL LAW REQUIRES THAT ANY VEHICLE LESSOR RECEIVING THIS RECALL NOTICE MUST FORWARD A COPY OF THIS NOTICE TO THE LESSEE WITHIN TEN DAYS.

MAY FOREST RIVER ASSIST YOU FURTHER?

If you have difficulties getting your vehicle repaired, please contact your Forest River Representative listed below:

| CONTACT | PHONE |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| Dexter Axle Customer Service | (574) 295-7888 |
| Rockwood/Flagstaff Customer Service | (574) 642-2640 |

If you are still having difficulty getting your vehicle/towable repaired in a reasonable amount of time or without change, you may write to the following address:

Administrator
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
1200 New Jersey Ave, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Head of Recalls
Motor Vehicle Safety Investigations Laboratory
Transport Canada
80 Noël street, Gatineau, Quebec, J8Z 0A1

Or you may call the toll free Vehicle Safety Hotline
at 1-888-327-4236 or (TTY: 1-800-424-9153).

Telephone (800) 333-0510
Facsimile (819) 420-4292

Or visit www.safercar.gov and search;
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Sincerely,



Forest River, Inc.
Engineer

Office of Corporate Compliance