

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 19C-002

**Manufacturer Name :** Dorel China America, Inc.

**Submission Date :** OCT 17, 2019

**NHTSA Recall No. :** 19C-002

**Manufacturer Recall No. :** NR



## Manufacturer Information :

**Manufacturer Name :** Dorel China America, Inc.

**Address :** 2525 State Street

Columbus IN 47201

**Company phone :** 8005441108

## Population :

**Number of potentially involved :** 28,800

**Estimated percentage with defect :** 100 %

## Child Restraint Information :

**Make 1 :** babidéal™

**Model :** Storm Booster Car Seat

**Seat Type :** BOOSTER SEAT

**Model No. :** BC901BPXL

**Platform Name / No. :** NR

**Brand Name :** babidéal™

**Descriptive Information :** The 28,800 units containing the noncompliant warning label can be isolated to one specific production lot with model number BC901BPXL and the date of manufacture 2/28/2019. This lot was manufactured for exclusive sale at Family Dollar Stores in the U.S. and contain a multi-color fabric cover. Other similar models of the babidéal™ Storm Booster were manufactured with a compliant warning label with different model numbers, different dates of manufacture, a different color fabric cover and were exclusively sold by a different retailer in the U.S.

**Production Dates :** FEB 28, 2019 - FEB 28, 2019

## Description of Noncompliance :

**Description of the Noncompliance :** 28,800 units of the babidéal™ Storm Booster CRS were determined to have been manufactured with a warning label that is not compliant with 49 CFR 571.213 (FMVSS 213) S5.5 labeling requirements.

**FMVSS 1 :** 213 - Child restraint systems

**FMVSS 2 :** NR

**Description of the Safety Risk :** The safety warnings and instructions required by FMVSS 213 are not provided, so caregivers do not have the benefit of that information and could potentially use the CRS inappropriately. Another risk is that the caregiver will be confused by the warning language (which comes from ASTM F2640

for use on indoor booster seats such as might be used in a dining room), because the incorrectly provided warning language states "NEVER use this product as a car seat..." and "Do not use in motor vehicles." For those consumers who are continuing to use the booster seat in a motor vehicle, DCA confirms that the product will perform appropriately and as intended because it remains compliant with all other performance requirements of FMVSS 213.

**Description of the Cause :** The contract manufacturer that makes the babidéal™ Storm Booster CRS was incorrectly provided warning label artwork that is noncompliant with FMVSS 213, which was then used in production on the specific lot being recalled.

**Identification of Any Warning that can Occur :** NR

## Supplier Identification :

### Component Manufacturer

Name : NR

Address : NR

NR

Country : NR

## Chronology :

10/17/2019 - DCA files 573 Report with NHTSA.

10/14/2019 - Columbus Day, NHTSA Offices Closed.

10/9/2019 - DCA receives information from the contract manufacturer and determines 28,800 units of the babidéal™ Storm Boosters using model number BC901BPXL and manufacture date 2/28/2019, sold exclusively at Family Dollar Stores were produced without labeling that complies with FMVSS 213.

10/8/2019 - DCA requests information from the contract manufacturer who produces the babidéal™ Storm Booster.

10/7/2019 - DCA determines that the label shown in the consumer's image is not intended for a CRS, but cannot determine from the consumer's image if the correct label which complies with FMVSS 213 is present on their product or not. DCA requests information about the babidéal™ Storm Booster and its labeling.

10/4/2019 - DCA receives a complaint from a consumer who purchased the babidéal™ Storm Booster from a Family Dollar Store which contains confusing information on the product label. Consumer sends image of that label to DCA.

## Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : DCA is planning to send a free replacement fabric cover (with the FMVSS 213 compliant label already in place) to those owners and purchasers of the recalled product. We will request the owners and purchasers to remove and discard their original fabric cover and replace it with the free replacement fabric cover.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : The free replacement fabric cover will have a warning label already in place that fully complies with FMVSS 213.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : DCA has confirmed that there are currently no open orders for the babidéal™ Storm Booster at the contract manufacturer. DCA has requested the contract manufacturer to destroy all printed labels and artwork files for the noncompliant warning label. If new orders will be placed for the product in the future, DCA will confirm the compliant labels are used in production.

## Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Family Dollar Stores were contacted by DCA to stop sale of all babidéal™ Storm Boosters in their possession on 10/16/2019. A copy of the notification letter to Family Dollar Stores is included with this submission.

In anticipation of NHTSA's immediate approval of the owner notification letter upon submission, DCA will begin the recall program as soon as the free replacement fabric covers with the compliant FMVSS 213 label are available. DCA anticipates sending the notification letter and free replacement fabric covers to registered owners no later than 12/9/2019.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : OCT 17, 2019 - OCT 17, 2019

Planned Owner Notification Date : DEC 09, 2019 - DEC 13, 2019

## Purchaser Information :

The following manufacturers purchased this defective/noncompliant equipment for possible use or installation in new motor vehicles or new items of motor vehicle equipment:

Name : NR

Address : NR

NR

Country : NR

Company Phone : NR

\* NR - Not Reported