

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 19V-334

**Manufacturer Name :** Airstream, Inc.**Submission Date :** MAY 16, 2019**NHTSA Recall No. :** 19V-334**Manufacturer Recall No. :** NR**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Airstream, Inc.

Address : 419 West Pike Street  
PO Box 629 Jackson Center OH  
45334-0629

Company phone : 937-596-6111

**Population :**

Number of potentially involved : 1,848

Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

**Vehicle Information :**

Vehicle 1 : 2018-2020 Airstream Sport, Flying Cloud, International, Classic, Tommy Bahama, Globetrotter, Nest

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : To determine the recall population we researched claim data To isolate the timeframes the occurrences took place. we then established the parts receipt dates. Based on that information we were able To determine the two separate timeframes.

Production Dates : NOV 27, 2017 - FEB 16, 2018

VIN Range 1 : Begin : 1SCS9AG22JJ034837 End : 1STC66C11KJ720215  Not sequentialVIN Range 2 : Begin : 1STY9YP21KJ034963 End : 1STC66C17LJ720348  Not sequential

Vehicle 2 : 2019-2019 AIRSTREAM International, Sport, Flying Cloud, Classic, Tommy Bahama, Globetrotter, Nest

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : To determine the recall population we researched claim data To isolate the timeframes the occurrences took place. we then established the parts receipt dates. Based on that information we were able To determine the two separate timeframes.

Production Dates : FEB 04, 2019 - APR 04, 2019

VIN Range 1 : Begin : 1STY9YP21KJ034963 End : 1STC66C17LJ720348  Not sequential

**Description of Defect :**

Description of the Defect : The spare tire bracket has the potential to separate causing the forward facing side of the carrier to drop to the ground which could result in the spare tire and carrier being separated from the trailer.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : The forward facing side of the spare tire carrier has the potential to drop and would make contact with the ground which could result in the spare tire and carrier being separated from the trailer. If separated from the trailer the spare tire or carrier could become a road hazard resulting in a crash and personal injury.

Description of the Cause : The spare tire securement bracket was not welded to specification. The bracket was welded with inconsistent quality, sometimes with insufficient heat to cause weld penetration. The bracket was not inspected prior to shipment to Airstream and installation.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : None

**Supplier Identification :****Component Manufacturer**

Name : Laserfab

Address : 1528 Fair Rd  
Sidney OHIO 45365

Country : United States

**Chronology :**

4/1/2019

Received information about a broken spare tire bracket. Trailer being returned to factory.

-Airstream notified Laserfab to advise them of the problem.

4/2/2019

-Inspection of returned trailer showed evidence of a broken bracket weldment.

-Checked print, found part not welded to print

-Requested warranty claim information.

-Laserfab demonstrates that a Catch with a back weld along with the front weld passes a stress test and indicates all Catches in possession and returned from Airstream will be re-welded.

-Production initiates a plan of action to repair/replace all brackets not welded to print specs for units at factory.

-Airstream requests further testing from Laserfab to determine root cause of failure.

4/3/19

- Laserfab decides to scrap Airstream inventory of brackets and replenish with parts welded to specification.  
4/4/2019
- LaserFab visited Airstream to discuss.  
4/5/2019
- Based on the warranty information we identified two separate groups of trailers with brackets not manufactured to print specs.  
4/8/2019
- Airstream visits LaserFab to investigate, and determine root cause of failure.  
4/18/2019
- Airstream Engineering completes its investigation and requests a Safety Committee meeting.  
4/22/2019
- Airstream Safety Committee meeting held and recall for this defect is decided upon.  
4/29/2019
- Submitted Part 573 Defect and Noncompliance Report

## Description of Remedy :

**Description of Remedy Program :** Describe the defect/noncompliance remedy program, including the manufacturer's plan for reimbursement.  
Corrected spare tire brackets will be sent to affected customers and dealers for installation. This will be done at no cost to the owner.  
Describe what distinguishes the remedy component from the recalled component.  
The spare tire bracket will have been manufactured to print specifications  
Identify and describe how and when the recall condition was corrected in production.  
The issue was corrected by replacing all brackets not welded to print specification 4/4/2019.

**How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component :** Spare Tire Carrier Bracket - Y bracket - Part Number 450414-02

**Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production :** LaseFab has corrected this condition in parts being supplied to Airstream as of 4/3/2019.

## Recall Schedule :

**Description of Recall Schedule :** Airstream will send dealer and owner notification letters once approved by NHTSA.

**Planned Dealer Notification Date :** JUN 28, 2019 - JUN 28, 2019

**Planned Owner Notification Date :** JUN 28, 2019 - JUN 28, 2019

\* NR - Not Reported