

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

20V-222

Manufacturer Name : Drivege Vehicle Innovations

Submission Date : APR 27, 2020

NHTSA Recall No. : 20V-222

Manufacturer Recall No. : NR



Manufacturer Information :

Manufacturer Name : Drivege Vehicle Innovations

Address : 1090 W Wilbeth Rd

Akron OH 44314

Company phone : 861-1118

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 205

Estimated percentage with defect : 10 %

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2019-2020 Ford Transit

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : VAN

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Freedman seating provided purchase and sales records along with part numbers of seats identified in their recall population. Recall population of Drivege vehicles was then determined as all vehicles manufactured with the identified seat part numbers beginning with the date the first seats were received through the date Drivege received notification of the recall.

Production Dates : AUG 01, 2019 - APR 15, 2020

VIN Range 1 : Begin : 1FBAX2C83LKA46240 **End :** 3C6TRVPG8KE506261 Not sequential

Vehicle 2 : 2019-2019 Ram ProMaster

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : VAN

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Freedman Seating provided purchase and sales records along with part numbers of seats identified in their recall population. Recall population of Drivege vehicles was then determined as all vehicles manufactured with the identified seat part numbers beginning with the date the first seats were received through the date Drivege received notification of the recall.

Production Dates : AUG 01, 2019 - APR 15, 2020

VIN Range 1 : Begin : 3C6TRVPG0KE540338 **End :** 3C6TRVPG8KE506261 Not sequential

Description of Defect :

Description of the Defect : Freedman Seating Company (FSC) PT Foldaway and GO-ES 3-point Foldaway seats manufactured between August 2019 and January 2020 may have been manufactured using seat belt retractors that may not be compliant to FMVSS 209.

FMVSS 1 : 209 - Seat belt assemblies

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : Any seats affected by the recall may have a defect which may increase the risk of occupant injury in the event of a vehicle collision.

Description of the Cause : Seat belt retractors may not be compliant to FMVSS 209. Further details not available from equipment manufacturer at the time of this filing.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : Seat belt fail criteria: upon retracting webbing, (1) no webbing can be extracted, or (2) more than 700mm (27.5 in.) of webbing can be extracted.

Involved Components :

Component Name 1 : NR

Component Description : NR

Component Part Number : NR

Supplier Identification :**Component Manufacturer**

Name : Freedman Seating Company

Address : 4545 W. Augusta Blvd
Chicago Illinois 60465

Country : United States

Chronology :

Driverge Vehicle Innovations received notification of Recall #20E-004 on 4/13/20 from Freedman Seating Company and began identifying parts and vehicles potentially affected by the recall. Driverge immediately stopped shipment of all vehicles and the installation of seats with the identified part numbers. All on-ground vehicles were tested prior to their shipment, and all inventory of the identified seats were tested. Failures were isolated. Review process complete by 4/17/20.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program :	If seat belt retractor(s) are found defective, Freedman will supply replacement(s) using information submitted via an online form. FSC will reimburse the cost of repairs related to the recall including parts and labor of \$50/belt for 3PT and \$25/belt for GO-ES seats. Please note that Drivege sells to dealers, not direct to owners, and will send only Dealer letters.
How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component :	Remedy component meets FMVSS 209 with retractor that locks between 30mm and 700mm of webbing.
Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production :	Drivege Vehicle Innovations received notification of Recall #20E-004 on 4/13/20 from Freedman Seating Company and began identifying parts and vehicles potentially affected by the recall. Drivege immediately stopped shipment of all vehicles and the installation of seats with the identified part numbers. All on-ground vehicles were tested prior to their shipment, and all inventory of the identified seats were tested. Failures were isolated. Review process complete by 4/17/20.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule :	Drivege identified all shipped vehicles which may be affected by this recall by 4/17/20. Submission of draft dealer letter to be submitted to agency 4/17/20. Notification to dealers expected to begin as soon as possible after assignment of recall number and letter approval by agency, Please note that Drivege sells to dealers and will send only Dealer letters.
Planned Dealer Notification Date :	APR 27, 2020 - APR 29, 2020
Planned Owner Notification Date :	NR - NR

* NR - Not Reported