

SERVICE BULLETIN

Vermeer Corporation

Environmental Pella, Iowa 50219 USA

FIELD CAMPAIGN SERVICE BULLETIN #: SVC2022-056

DATE: 10 February 2022

CAMPAIGN	Mandatory – Product Safety	
TYPE:	DEALER INSTALLATION ONLY	
CAMPAIGN CATEGORY:	Bulletin Only	

MACHINE/	SERIAL		
ATTACHMENT MODEL(S):	Included	Excluded	Kit version
BC1800XL	2381, 2382, 2409, 2801, 2839, 2842, 2978, 3217 – 3219 (Only Units with JSK01472)	All units without JSK01472 installed	IK01: Solid Steel Wheels 8 on 6½", 5/8" studs; Heavy Duty Tires 235/75R17.5 LRJ 18 ply; safety sign; tire specification placard; and English supplemental manual
BC1800XL	None (Only Units with JSK01472)	All units without JSK01472 installed. 2381, 2382, 2409, 2801, 2839, 2842, 2978, 3217 – 3219	IK02: Solid Steel Wheels 8 on 6½", 5/8" studs; Heavy Duty Tires 235/75R17.5 LRJ 18 ply; safety sign; tire specification placard; and English + translated Supplemental Manual

Subject:



BC1800XL Wheel and Tire Assembly Replacement Kit (IK00-3942)

- 1. **IK01**: Order one of these kit versions which includes English supplemental operator's and maintenance manual for machines located in the United States, Canada (except for Quebec), Australia, New Zealand and other English-speaking global regions.
- IK02: Order one of these kit versions which includes English + translated supplemental operator's and maintenance manuals for machines located in other global regions.

Additional details regarding kit versions and parts included are shown below.

Background: In July 2020, owner notifications were sent regarding the above-referenced product safety recall. We have not received confirmation that all the machines have been updated.

Dealers were previously notified on service bulletin SVC2020-052 Rev.1, SVC2020-056 and SVC2020-057 about a supplier wheel safety defect.

Models	Tire/Wheel Assembly Part Number	Wheel Part Number	
BC1800XL with JSK01472	163647430	163647428	



Properly Manufactured Wheel Correct Lug Nut Seat Identified by raised surface only around lug

nut location



These service bulletins provided instructions for:

- 1. Destruction of dealer inventory for affected part numbers:
- 2. Install temporary solution (assembly PN 163769457) on units that could not maintain torque and/or tire pressure.
- 3. Owner notifications to inspect each wheel to determine if supplier wheels were installed and to notify Vermeer Corporation of the inspection results.

POSSIBLE LOSS OF WHEEL AND RISK OF CRASH

Specific wheels (steel rim) with bolt pattern 8 on $6\frac{1}{2}$ inch (165 mm) circle to be used with 5/8-in studs provided by a supplier:

 have an incorrect lug nut contact area causing wheel lug nuts to loosen; and/or • can develop possible cracks causing the tire to lose air pressure.

DEATH OR SERIOUS INJURY POSSIBLE

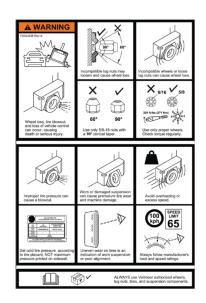
Both conditions may increase the risk of wheel loss and the risk of a crash. **Death** or serious injury is possible. Property damage may also occur.

Solution:

IMMEDIATE MACHINE MODIFICATIONS REQUIRED

IK00-3942 has been created to provide the necessary parts and instructions to replace the wheel and tire assembly, install a new safety sign (shown at right), install a new wheel/tire specification placard decal and provide a supplemental operator's and maintenance manual.

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



1. Kit versions descriptions and instructions:

a. IK01-3942: Includes wheels, tires, safety sign, wheel/tire specification placard decal, English supplemental manual		
 IK02-3942: Includes wheels, tires, safety sign, wheel/tire specification placard decal, English + translated supplemental manual 		
Wheel:Solid steel 8 on 6½ inch; 5/8" studs		
Tire: Heavy duty, 235/75R17.5 LRJ (18 ply)		
Wheel/lug nut: 5/8-inch 90-degree cone w/ clamp rings		
Tire load rating: 4,410 lb (2 000 kg) at 85 psi (590 kPa)		
Destroy wheel and tires. When you remove the supplier defective steel rim/wheels, these wheels can never be used or sold for any purpose. The wheels must be destroyed: • Remove the tire from the steel rim/wheel or deflate the tire. • Torch cut the wheel(s) across the lug put area		

- Torch cut the wheel(s) across the lug nut area.
- Take photo(s) of the destroyed wheel(s) and attach to campaign warranty claim.
- Discard the lug nuts so they can never be used or sold for any purpose.
- The removed used tires may be retained in your used tire inventory or disposed of. The cost of tire removal and disposal is included in the labor hours.

DEALER PARTICIPATION REVIEW REPORT, ORDER KITS, CONTACT CUSTOMERS

- 1. **Reports** will be emailed during the week of February 10, 2022, to dealerships shown in our records which have units in their territory affected by this recall. Please review the report for accuracy, including:
 - Kit installation status. If IK00-3942 has not been installed, the report will indicate status of "OPEN". Please verify your records to determine if the kit has been installed. If installed, please file a claim to confirm installation and request labor reimbursement prior to the owner letter notification mailing date referenced below.
 - **Owner/address information.** If data shown on the report is **not** accurate, submit an equipment registration or business partner update in iWarranty and notify the product safety department on or before **February 23, 2022**, at <u>productsafety@vermeer.com</u>.
- 2. **Review kits in dealer inventory**. Prior to ordering kits from the Parts Distribution Center, check your inventory to determine if you have IK00-3942 in stock. Enter kit orders in iParts/EzParts as needed. **Do not order more kits than needed for immediate installation**.
- 3. **Contact your affected customer(s)** to schedule a mutually acceptable time to upgrade their machine. **Note**: Letters will be sent to the customers on or about February 24, 2022. Also refer to Owner Notification section below.
- 4. **Translated manuals.** For those dealers in global locations where English is not the official language, iParts/ExParts will require the model and VIN be entered at the time of order to enable translated manual(s) to be provided in the official language. If the translated manual(s) is available in the language required at the time of order, the translated manual will be shipped with IK00-3942 from the parts distribution center. If the translated manual(s) is not yet available, the translated manual(s) will be sent from the product safety department when the manual(s) becomes available and will reference the sales order number, the IK version, model and VIN.

If you have any questions concerning the installation of IK00-3942, please contact the environmental service department.

REIMBURSEMENT

Upon completion of each kit installation, a <u>campaign</u> warranty claim must be submitted to the corporate warranty department for reimbursement of the cost of the parts and labor to install the kit. The campaign warranty claim:

- 1. Must include photos of destroyed wheels (IK01, IK02 only).
- 2. Must include a copy of the work order if travel is requested.

Labor hours to install IK01 or IK02: **4.0 hours**. Note: Tire disposal is included in the labor hours. No additional reimbursement will be paid.

If dealer assists owner with wheel inspection, dealer will be reimbursed 1.0 hour(s) of labor. Dealer must submit <u>standard</u> warranty claim with wheel photos and inspection form attached referencing IK00-3942 in causal part number field.

If a customer submits inspection form directly to Vermeer Corporation, the dealer will not be paid for a second inspection.

Note: Future notices to dealers and owners are dependent upon the receipt of warranty claims.

OWNER NOTIFICATION

Included at the end of this bulletin is a **sample owner letter** which will be sent by Vermeer Corporation directly to the owners on or about February 24, 2022. Owner registrations indicate no translations are required for this campaign. The owner letter will only be available in English.

This owner notification/letter instructs the owner to contact their local dealership to arrange for a time to have the kit installed. After receiving IK00-3942 from the Parts Distribution Center, you must contact your affected customer(s) immediately and schedule a mutually acceptable time to upgrade their machine.

We regret any inconvenience these corrective measures may cause you. This required work is for the safety of the crew, the towing vehicle occupants and others traveling the public roadways. We hope you agree the safety benefits surpass the inconvenience.

PRODUCT SAFETY DEPARTMENT

Attachments:

IK00-3942 Kit instructions SVC2020-096 First notice

Completion schedule:	Reimbursement:
Product Safety Alert: Install immediately	Product Safety Alert
90 days from MM/DD/YYYY	Product Compliance
☐ 180 days from MM/DD/YYYY	$oxedsymbol{\boxtimes}$ All units listed above with less than hours
1 year from MM/DD/YYYY	or warranty start date in the last months
Only units within standard limited	☐ Parts ☐ Labor paid (Labor code: SB20)
-	Only units within standard limited warranty
warranty period	period
□ N/A	No reimbursement

Internal reference:		Not applicable		12	Exterior lighting
TREAD Act Code	02	Suspension		16	Structure
(Choose one or	03	Service brake system, hydraulic		17	Latch
more applicable	04	Service brake system, air		19	Tires
codes)	05	Parking brake	\boxtimes	20	Wheels
	11	Electrical		21	Trailer hitch



Dear Vermeer «Model» owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the U.S. National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

In July 2020, owner notifications were sent regarding the above-referenced product safety recall. We have not received confirmation that all the machines have been updated. To read more about this potential safety hazard, a copy of the first notice is included for your reference. *Note: If Vermeer learned of your ownership after mailing of the first notice, this will be your first notice*.

Vermeer has decided that a defect that relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain model year 2016 – 2020 Vermeer «MODEL».

Our records indicate that the product safety update **may not** have been installed on your Vermeer **«Model»** brush chipper.

If the kit has **not been installed**, please contact your independent, authorized **Vermeer dealership** immediately to arrange a mutually acceptable time and location to have your machine upgraded **at no cost** to you for labor or materials. The installation of this kit is estimated at 4 hours of labor. If the Vermeer dealer travels to the unit to install the kit, costs may be incurred by the owner. **You must have your machine upgraded for these safety features**.

Contact your local Vermeer dealer:	«SERV_DLR_NAME» «SERV_DLR_ADD1» «SERV_DLR_CITY STATE ZIP» «SERV_DLR_COUNTRY»
Telephone:	«SERV_DLR_PHONE»

If the kit has been installed, please contact the product safety department using the contact methods below.

If you no longer own this unit, please notify the product safety department at:

Toll-free: 800-829-0051, option 1

Telephone: 641-621-7060

Email: productsafety@vermeer.com

If possible, please provide the name and address of the new owner. *Note: The model and serial number is shown at the top center of this letter.*

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Regards, **PRODUCT SAFETY DEPARTMENT**

Enclosure: First notice owner letter - July 30, 2020

Federal regulations require that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten (10) days.

If the authorized dealer has failed or is unable to remedy the defect without charge and within a reasonable time, contact Vermeer Product Safety by email at productsafety@vermeer.com or by calling 800-829-0051 or 641-621-7060. You may also submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, D.C. 20590 or call the Vehicle Safety Hotline at 888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to http://www.safercar.gov