

U.S. Department of Transportation

# National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

July 13, 2021

Ms. Jessica Lovett Xtreme Outdoors 604 Drum Ave Somerset, PA 15501 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

NEF-107KL 21V-515

Subject: Insufficient Trailer Shell Support Bracket

Dear Ms. Lovett:

This letter serves to acknowledge Xtreme Outdoors's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

#### Makes/Models/Model Years:

XTREME OUTDOORS/MYPOD/2021

Mfr's Report Date: July 7, 2021

NHTSA Campaign Number: 21V-515

#### **Components:**

EQUIPMENT:RECREATIONAL VEHICLE/TRAILER STRUCTURE:FRAME AND MEMBERS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 18

### **Problem Description:**

Xtreme Outdoors is recalling certain 2021 MyPod travel trailers. The support bracket that secures the trailer shell to the frame may be insufficient, which could cause the trailer shell to detach.

#### **Consequence:**

A detached trailer shell can create a road hazard and increase the risk of a crash.

#### Remedy:

Dealers will inspect the support bracket, and replace the frame if necessary, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed July 16, 2021. Owners may contact Xtreme Outdoors customer service at 1-740-788-9560.

#### **Notes:**

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.nhtsa.gov.



## Please ensure the following requirements are met:

An identification and description of the risk to motor vehicle safety reasonably related to the defect or noncompliance (49 CFR 573.6 (c)(5)). All filings should state an increased risk of either a crash, injury or fire.

AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.

Your company's program shall include a plan for reimbursing an owner or purchaser who incurred costs to obtain a remedy for the problem addressed by the recall within a reasonable time in advance of your company's notification of owners, purchasers and dealers, in accordance with § 573.13. Your company's plan may incorporate by reference a general reimbursement plan it previously submitted to NHTSA, together with information specific to the individual recall. Information required by § 573.13 that is not in a general reimbursement plan shall be submitted in your company's report to NHTSA. If your company submits one or more general reimbursement plans, your company shall update each plan every two years (§ 573.13). If the vehicles are new and would be covered under the manufacturer's warranty program, please state that in the remedy section of your filing.

AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.

We have received Xtreme Outdoor's proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Xtreme Outdoors's contact for this recall will be Kristin Lepper who may be reached by email at kristin.lepper@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Alex Ansley

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

Enforcement

