

**RECREATIONAL VEHICLE** SAFETY RECALL NOTICE Safety Recall: 21V-380 Safety Advisory: 21-411 July 15, 2021

## **IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL**

«Owner\_name» «Street» «Street\_2» «City», «State» «Zip»

This notice applies to your vehicle: «VIN»

Dear «Owner\_name»:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Keystone RV Company has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain model 2017-2021 Cougar Fifth Wheels. As a result, Keystone RV is conducting a safety recall. We apologize for any inconvenience this action may cause you; however your safety and continued satisfaction are of the utmost importance to us.

Reason for this recall	It has been decided under certain side load stress conditions the frame exhibits excessive flexing at the area of the axle spring hangers. Under certain conditions during travel, the frame rail may yield and buckle possibly leading to an increased failure and vehicle crash.
What we will do	Keystone representatives have been in contact with the staff at your selling dealership regarding this situation. The remedy is to add cross braces between each spring hanger and an outrigger between the tires on the off door side of the vehicle. The service and parts required for this corrective action will be provided at no charge to you.
What we need you to do	Unload the vehicle before transporting to the dealer for repairs. As soon as possible, please make an appointment to have your RV serviced by your dealership. The labor time to perform this correction is approximately 1 hour. Please ask your dealer if you wish to know how much additional time will be needed to schedule and process your RV for this repair.
If you have questions	Your dealer is best equipped to obtain parts and provide service to ensure your RV is corrected as promptly as possible. Please contact Keystone Customer service if your dealer is unable to assist or if you take your RV to your dealer on the agreed service date, and the dealer does not remedy the condition within a reasonable amount of time, or without charge to you. You may be eligible to receive reimbursement if you paid to have the defect resolved prior to receiving this correspondence. Keystone Customer Service is available toll-free at 1-866-425-4369.

If after contacting Keystone Customer Service you are still not satisfied we have done our best to remedy this situation, you may also submit a written complaint to: Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590. You may call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153; or go to http://www.safercar.gov.) Federal regulations require that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

## **KEYSTONE RV COMPANY**

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