

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

NHTSA Recall Number: 22V-274 School Bus NHTSA Recall Number: 22V-275 Non-School Bus

DATE: June 14, 2022

SUBJECT: R22BU: Ford 7.3L 100-Gallon Gasoline Supply Line Routing

Dear Blue Bird Owner:

This important safety recall notice applies to your bus(es) identified by both Blue Bird Body Number and Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) on the enclosed yellow cover sheet. If you no longer own the subject bus(es), please complete the appropriate section of the yellow cover sheet and return to Blue Bird in the enclosed pink postage prepaid envelope.

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

Blue Bird Body Company is voluntarily recalling the following:

- Certain model year 2022-2023 Blue Bird Vision School Buses
 - manufactured from May 3, 2021 through April 13, 2022
- Certain model year 2022-2023 Blue Bird Vision Non-School Buses
 - manufactured from June 23, 2021 through October 29, 2021

On the subject buses, it has been determined on certain Blue Bird Vision Buses equipped with the Ford 7.3L gasoline engine and 100-gallon tank may have an incorrectly routed gasoline supply line which creates a potential rubbing condition with a nearby bolt head. This rubbing condition could lead to damage of the supply line creating a potential for a fuel leak. This defect was identified during a review of an in-process chassis. No field complaints have been received related to this issue. Blue Bird has evaluated the risk to motor vehicle safety related to this condition which could lead to damage of the gasoline supply line creating a potential for a fuel leak. A gasoline supply line fuel leak could increase the risk of a fire with the affected units.

Corrective Action:

To correct this condition, a frame mounted clamping point must be removed and relocated to allow proper routing for the affected gasoline supply line. The affected gasoline supply line should also be inspected and replaced if any signs of wear or damage are observed. Blue Bird will reimburse the labor cost of the repair related to this recall at no cost to the vehicle owner. Please contact your local Blue Bird dealer to arrange to have the Recall performed and to ensure parts are available at the dealership. To locate an authorized dealer, search online at <u>www.blue-bird.com/find-a-dealer</u>. Recall R22BU should be inspected and repaired, per R22BU Recall Instructions. You may request parts at <u>campaignparts@blue-bird.com</u> Parts will be available on or before August 11, 2022.

Labor Reimbursement:

Blue Bird will reimburse the labor cost of the repairs related to this recall at no cost to you the vehicle owner. The standard repair time (SRT) to accomplish these repairs in accordance with the R22BU remedy procedure(s) is outlined below.

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Repair Options and allowable labor times for this campaign, outlined as follows: <u>Labor Reimbursement</u>: (continued)

Repair Options and allowable labor times for this campaign, outlined as follows:
<u>Repair A: Inspection Only</u>
0.1 Hours (6 minutes)
<u>Repair B: Inspect and Repair</u> (*if necessary*)

• 0.5 Hours (30 minutes)

Repair C: Inspect and Replace Supply Line (if necessary)

• 1 Hour (60 minutes)

Administering the Recall and Parts:

Parts to complete Recall R22BU will be available on or before **August 11, 2022.** You may request parts through <u>campaignparts@blue-bird.com</u>

Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

If the modifications directed by this notification were performed on your bus prior to the receipt of this recall notification, attach a copy of the work order/invoice. Mail the documents in the pink self-addressed postage prepaid envelope included with the pink reply sheet to Blue Bird for warranty consideration. Reimbursements will be made in accordance with the requirements of the National Highway Transportation Safety Act, Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 573 and 577.

Please contact your local Blue Bird Dealer with any questions regarding this recall campaign.

If Blue Bird Body Company should fail to or is unable to remedy this condition without charge to you, you may contact:

ADMINISTRATOR NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION 1200 NEW JERSEY AVENUE, SE WASHINGTON, D.C. 20590

Or, you may call The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration toll free at: 1-888-327-4236 TTY 1-800-424-9153 or go to: http://www.safercar.gov R22BU