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## **IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL INFORMATION**





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**RECALL NOTICE** 



Subject: Safety Recall 22KWJ - Meritor Tie Rod Clamps

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This notice applies to your vehicle; VIN:

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

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NHTSA Recall number 22V782



Dear Kenworth Customer.

Kenworth Truck Company has determined that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain Model Year 2023 T370, T480, T800, T880, W900, and W990 chassis built from 01/05/2022 through 06/06/2022.

Certain tie rod clamps manufactured by Meritor are subject to cracking due to heat treatment issues during manufacturing. Clamp fracture could lead to tie rod separation from the cross tube and loss of steering control, increasing the risk of a crash. Drivers and service personnel may notice a loss of vehicle alignment preceding a complete fracture of the clamp.

Kenworth has initiated a recall to remedy the defect. Parts and procedures are now available. Please contact your Kenworth dealer. To find your Kenworth dealer, please visit Dealer Locator at www.Kenworth.com. This repair may take up to **2 hours** of labor depending on vehicle configuration and dealer scheduling. This repair will be performed at no charge to you.

The problem is... Certain tie rod clamps manufactured by Meritor may be subject to cracking

What your dealer will do... Dealers will replace the tie rod clamps

What you must do ... Contact your Kenworth Dealer to schedule an appointment for repair

If you had this inspection and/or repair performed before you received this letter, you may be eligible to receive reimbursement for the cost of obtaining a pre-notification remedy of the problem associated with this recall. Please contact your Kenworth dealer for more information.

If you require further information about this recall, reimbursement of a pre-notification remedy associated with this recall or experience any difficulty in making arrangements for this repair, please contact Kenworth Customer Service using one of the following:

Email: Kenworth.Campaigns@paccar.com with the bulletin number in the subject line or

Mail: Kenworth Truck Company, P.O. Box 1000, Kirkland, WA 98083-1000, Attn: Customer Service Department or

Phone: 425-828-5888

You may submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E., Washington, DC 20590, or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to http://www.safercar.gov, if you believe that the manufacturer or dealer failed or was unable to remedy the defect without charge within a reasonable time following the earliest date upon which replacement parts and procedures become available.

Federal regulation requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days. If you no longer own this vehicle, we would appreciate your advising us of the new owner if you know their name.

We regret any inconvenience that this work may cause you and appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Thank you,

Annick Hollingsworth Director of Service Platforms Kenworth Truck Company

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