



POTENTIAL DEFECT NOTIFICATION

Dometic Corporation, which manufactures and sells a diverse range of products for use in recreational vehicles, trucks and premium cars, pleasure and workboats, and for a variety of other uses, has determined during the second week of March 2022 that a potential safety-related defect may exist in items of original or replacement equipment listed below. Dometic Corporation is submitting this notification of a potential safety-related defect to the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration in accordance with the applicable provisions of CFR 49, Subtitle B, Chapter V, Part 573.

Dometic Corporation is a Delaware Corporation located at 5155 Verdant Dr., Elkhart, IN. 46516. The registered agent for Dometic Corporation is The Corporation Trust Company, 1209 Orange Street, Corporation Trust Center, Wilmington, Delaware 19801. The Dometic Brand equipment which is the subject of this potential safety-related defect notification is comprised of cooktops which were purchased by, and manufactured for, Dometic by Chinabest Home Appliance Co., Ltd; No.2 Fuqing Yi Road, Henglan Town / Zhongshan City, Guangdong Province, China.

The affected Dometic products which may contain the potential safety-related defect are recreational vehicle type cooktops containing specific burner control valves. These RV cooktops were manufactured between late 2020 and June 2021. The potentially affected cooktops have the model designations set forth below.

- CE99-ZF: Cooktop with two burners and safety glass cover
 - 02093610034000001 – 02093610034000600
 - 11993610034000001 – 11993610034000510
 - 12593610034000001 – 12593610034000500
- PI8022: Cooktop with two burners and safety glass cover
 - 11093610034600001 – 11093610034600550
 - 12393610034600001 – 12393610034600550

Serial number ranges are indicated with their respective models above. The first digit is the year of manufacture, the second and third digits are week number for the year of manufacture and the remaining numbers are sequence numbers. These products are used in recreational vehicles of Original Equipment Manufacture, or as replacement equipment for recreation vehicles or marine vessels. The total population of these products with the potential safety-related defect pertaining to the burner control valves is no more than 2,600 units. There have been no reported incidents of gas leaks, injury or death involving these products in the United States.

There were 7 reported incidents in Europe involving different cooktops with the same burner control valve, however, these claims did not result in injuries. (A Dometic Group Affiliate in Europe has initiated a recall in Europe of cooking products that contain this same burner control valve.)

The potential safety-related product defect related to the burner control valve as noted herein is not present in any other Dometic Cooking Products.

The detailed description of the potential safety-related defect is associated with the burner control valve where the valve stem is located directly behind the cooking knob of the cooktops. Pictures of the burner control valve and the location where the potential safety-related defect may become pronounced or evident to the user are shown below.



The burner control valve may have incurred abrasions, internally or externally, on the mating metal sealing surfaces of the burner control valve that may have led to leaks as noted in different European models, and could possibly lead to similar leak incidents in a limited number of US cooktop models as noted above.

Dometic Corporation has NOT yet identified a proposed remedy or remedies designed to mitigate the defect but will advise NHTSA of such remedy or remedies when they become available in accordance with CFR 49, part 573.

Dometic Corporation will supply the customer lists for the CE-99ZF and PI8022 cooktops when they become available, and the remedy activity to take place with its customers. Dometic Corporation will file OEM letters, Dealer letters, Retail letters, and End User letters in accordance with CFR 49, Subtitle B, Chapter V, Part 573.

This Defect Notice is being reported to NHTSA within the 5-day requirement of Title 49, Subtitle B, Chapter V, Part 573, Clause 573.6.