

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

23V-234

Manufacturer Name : Winnebago Industries, Inc.

Submission Date : AUG 25, 2023

NHTSA Recall No. : 23V-234

Manufacturer Recall No. : 174



Manufacturer Information :

Manufacturer Name : Winnebago Industries, Inc.

Address : PO BOX 152
605 W. Crystal Lake Rd. Forest City IA
50436

Company phone : 1-641-585-3535

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 1,266

Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2021-2023 Winnebago Ekko

Vehicle Type :

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : The recall population was determined by identifying all Ekko models built.

Production Dates : JAN 08, 2021 - AUG 02, 2023

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

Not sequential

Description of Defect :

Description of the Defect : Improper wire routing and loose electrical connections can lead to overloaded circuits and damaged equipment, including failure of the auxiliary alternator.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : An overloaded circuit, resulting in equipment damage increasing the risk of a fire.

Description of the Cause : Loose connections of the house 12v charging system and improper cable routing can lead to failure of the auxiliary alternator.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : None

Involved Components :

Component Name 1 : House 12v Charging System

Component Description : NR

Component Part Number : NR

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name : NR

Address : NR

NR

Country : NR

Chronology :

January 18, 2023, Winnebago was made aware of a customer incident involving a fire. An investigation of this incident found a missing temp sensor wire and a loose ground conductor that resulted in a failure of the house 12V charging system. Based on the findings of this incident investigation, a broader investigation was opened to look into potential issues with the house 12V charging system. After completing a detailed data analysis, Winnebago identified 3 total fires related to issues with the house 12V charging system. The earliest reported fire incident occurred in September of 2022. On Monday, March 27, the Product Safety Committee reviewed all available information and determined the issue presented an unreasonable risk to motor vehicle safety and a recall was initiated. During validation of the remedy, an additional potential root cause was identified. As a result 86 units were added to the population that were previously thought to have been built after the production clean date. An addendum to this recall will be sent to owners by September 8th.

There are no known injuries or property damage associated with this issue.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Winnebago Motorhomes will coordinate the inspection and remedy of proper cable routing and electrical connection of units identified in this recall.
Reimbursement requests will follow the General Reimbursement Plan on file with NHTSA.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : The remedied system will have verified connections and corrected cable routing.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : Hold #1077 was issued to contain unshipped product and perform remedy.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : The recall schedule will follow the dates provided.
Planned Dealer Notification Date : APR 06, 2023 - APR 06, 2023
Planned Owner Notification Date : MAY 30, 2023 - MAY 30, 2023

* NR - Not Reported