

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 23V-311

**Manufacturer Name :** Winnebago Towable

**Submission Date :** MAY 03, 2023

**NHTSA Recall No. :** 23V-311

**Manufacturer Recall No. :** CAM0000030



## Manufacturer Information :

**Manufacturer Name :** Winnebago Towable

**Address :** 201 14th Street

Middlebury IN 46540

**Company phone :** 825-5250

## Population :

**Number of potentially involved :** 4,313

**Estimated percentage with defect :** 100 %

## Vehicle Information :

**Vehicle 1 :** 2022-2022 Winnebago Micro Minnie

**Vehicle Type :**

**Body Style :**

**Power Train :** NR

**Descriptive Information :** Production began using a different brand of solar panel on August 25, 2021 and then May 25, 2022 began applying additional thread locking adhesive on the mounting hardware.

**Production Dates :** AUG 25, 2021 - MAY 25, 2022

**VIN Range 1 : Begin :**

NR

**End :** NR

Not sequential

## Description of Defect :

**Description of the Defect :** Winnebago Industries has decided that a defect related to vehicle safety exists on certain 2022 Winnebago Micro Minnie model series due to potentially loose mounting hardware on the solar panel.

**FMVSS 1 :** NR

**FMVSS 2 :** NR

**Description of the Safety Risk :** On certain models the solar panel mounting hardware can potentially loosen, which could lead to a full detachment of the solar panel. A detached solar panel while in transit increases the risk of a crash.

**Description of the Cause :** The mounting screws have the potential to vibrate out of the solar panel mounting bracket. This could lead to a mounting hardware failure, which could result in a full detachment of the solar panel.

**Identification of Any Warning that can Occur :** NR

## Involved Components :

Component Name 1 : Solar Panel Mounting Hardware

Component Description : Mounting Screw

Component Part Number : 2010750313A

Component Name 2 : Solar Panel Mounting Hardware

Component Description : Mounting Bracket

Component Part Number : 275083

## Supplier Identification :

### Component Manufacturer

Name : NR

Address : NR

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Country : NR

## Chronology :

In March 2023, Customer Service alerted our Product Safety Administrator of a potential safety concern involving a solar panel detachment while the customer was in transit. A safety investigation was subsequently opened.

Once the investigation was completed, it was reviewed by the product safety committee on 4/27/2023. The product safety committee decided that the issue presented an unreasonable risk to motor vehicle safety and a notice of defect was filed. Winnebago is aware of a total of 35 loose solar panel mounting hardware issues, with 11 of those issues resulting in total detachment. The first known issue occurred in January, 2022.

There are no known accidents or injuries related to this issue.

## Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Reimbursement request will fall under the general reimbursement plan on file with NHTSA.

**How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component :** Winnebago is implementing the use of butyl adhesive tape between the solar panel and mounting bracket, which will act as a thread locking adhesive.

**Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production :** Production began using additional adhesive tape between the solar panel and mounting bracket.

### **Recall Schedule :**

**Description of Recall Schedule :** NR

**Planned Dealer Notification Date :** MAY 09, 2023 - MAY 10, 2023

**Planned Owner Notification Date :** JUN 28, 2023 - JUN 28, 2023

\* NR - Not Reported