

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

23V-891

Manufacturer Name : Winnebago Towable

Submission Date : DEC 22, 2023

NHTSA Recall No. : 23V-891

Manufacturer Recall No. : CAM0000033



Manufacturer Information :

Manufacturer Name : Winnebago Towable

Address : 201 14th Street
Middlebury IN 46540

Company phone : 825-5250

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 1,313

Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2021-2023 Winnebago Micro Minnie FLX

Vehicle Type :

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : August 20,2020 Production switched to a 15" off-road style tire that increased in weight by 8lbs. The first incident occurred 09/10/2020.All Micro Minnie FLX units using the heavier tire are included in the population.

Production Dates : AUG 20, 2020 - APR 10, 2023

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 motor vehicle safety exists on certain 2021-2023 Winnebago Micro Minnie FLX model series outfitted with bumper mounted spare tire carriers and certain off-road style spare tires.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : When loaded with certain off-road style tires, the spare tire carrier may fail over time and potentially become detached from the unit in transit, which could increase the risk of a crash.

Description of the Cause : The tire hoop on the spare tire bracket being too long causes additional vibrations throughout the carrier. The tire suspended past the vertical tube would make the entire assembly vibrate and put strain on the vertical tube and supporting welds.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : NR

Involved Components :

Component Name 1 : Spare Tire Carrier

Component Description : Bumper Mounted Spare Tire Carrier

Component Part Number : 141012-01

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name : Red Rock Supply

Address : 1845 Hemlock Ct.
Goshen Indiana 46528

Country : United States

Chronology :

In March, a VOQ inquiry from NHTSA stated a customer had experienced a failure on their bumper mounted spare tire carrier. An investigation was subsequently opened.

Winnebago identified a total of 21 spare tire carrier mount issues, with 12 of those issues resulting in total detachment. The first known issue occurred in September, 2020. There are no known accidents or injuries related to this issue. After completing a data analysis and technical investigation, the Product Safety Committee met on 4/10/2023 to review the findings of the investigation and determined that a defect related to motor vehicle safety was present.

In late December a Winnebago dealer notified the company that a Micro Minnie FLX model did not appear to be impacted by recall 23V270. After a brief investigation, it was determined that this model series was inadvertently missed in the data pull as it was thought to be included in the Micro Minnie model series. Winnebago is not aware of any additional failures on the Micro Minnie FLX.

Description of Remedy :

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

How Remedy Component Differs : Winnebago has designed a new spare tire carrier with the tire hoop sized appropriately to allow the tire to rest on the vertical tube to reduce the

from Recalled Component : vibrations throughout the assembly and to fully brace the tire hoop to increase structural strength.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : Production corrected the issue in April 2023.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : NR
Planned Dealer Notification Date : JAN 05, 2024 - JAN 05, 2024
Planned Owner Notification Date : JAN 19, 2024 - JAN 19, 2024

* NR - Not Reported