

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

24V-352

Manufacturer Name : Braun Corporation

Submission Date : MAY 17, 2024

NHTSA Recall No. : 24V-352

Manufacturer Recall No. : NR



Manufacturer Information :

Manufacturer Name : Braun Corporation

Address : 631 West 11 Street

Winamac IN 46996

Company phone : 1-800-488-0359

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 199

Estimated percentage with defect : 15 %

Vehicle Alterer Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2023-2024 Chrysler Voyager

Descriptive Information : This recall is in response to freedman seating recall 24E026. The vin listing was determined by all vehicles potentially built with the affected Freedman Seat. We were only shipped 103 units of potentially affected seats, however, 199 BraunAbility vehicles containing this type of seat were produced during this timeframe.

Production Dates : DEC 14, 2023 - APR 25, 2024

Description of Defect :

Description of the Defect : Per the Freedman Mobility Non-compliance report: The seat back may not support an FMVSS 210 shoulder belt load when it is in the fully reclined position.

FMVSS 1 : 210 - Seat belt assembly anchorages

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : If the seat back recliner mechanism is not fully engaged the seat back could release when a substantial load is applied to the shoulder belt potentially increasing the risk of injury to the seat occupant during a vehicle crash.

Description of the Cause : Incorrect welding process and use of welding fixtures.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : NR

Involved Components :

Component Name : Passenger Seat

Component Description : 2place GO-ES Space Save Foldaway Seat

Component Part Number : 88335

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name : Freedman Seating Company

Address : 4545 West Augusta BLVD

Chicago Illinois 60651

Country : United States

Chronology :

On May 13th, 2024 we were notified of recall 24E-026, in response we are submitting our own recall for the units produced potentially containing the affected equipment.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Freedman will notify those vehicle builders who purchased seats and Freedman will provide a Seat Inspection & Repair Procedure. Freedman will reimburse the cost of any repairs relating to this recall at no cost to the vehicle manufacturer, dealer or owner. The recall will begin in May 2024. The remedy will consist of a visual inspection of the recliner mechanism lever when the seat back is in the upright and reclined positions. Instructions have been developed for this inspection and in how to determine if the seat requires rework. If the seat requires rework, instructions have been provided on how to do this. Seat disassembly nor no new parts are required. BraunAbility will reimburse dealer labor to inspect potentially affected units and repair affected units. Reimbursement will be handled through our warranty claim system.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : Per Freedman: The position of the recliner mechanism handle for the remedy component will be in the same position when the seat back is in the upright and the reclined positions.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : Per Freedman: The production welder was trained on the correct use of the welding fixtures. Also, the welding fixture was modified to make it easier to use. Finally, there is a quality check during final seat assembly to verify recliner mechanism is fully engaged in reclined position of the seat back.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Dealers have already been notified of Freedman's recall 5-14-2024, but will be notified again once our recall number has been issued. Owner's Notification to follow.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : MAY 20, 2024 - MAY 24, 2024

Planned Owner Notification Date : MAY 27, 2024 - JUN 07, 2024

Purchaser Information :

The following manufacturers purchased this defective/noncompliant equipment for possible use or installation in new motor vehicles or new items of motor vehicle equipment:

Name :
Address :

Country :
Company Phone :

* NR - Not Reported