

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 24V-717

**Manufacturer Name :** Brinkley RV  
**Submission Date :** OCT 23, 2024  
**NHTSA Recall No. :** 24V-717  
**Manufacturer Recall No. :** REC-2403

**Manufacturer Information :**

**Manufacturer Name :** Brinkley RV  
**Address :** 1655 Brinkley Way East  
 GOSHEN IN 46528  
**Company phone :** 574-501-4280

**Population :**

**Number of potentially involved :** 40  
**Estimated percentage with defect :** 100 %

**Vehicle Information :**

**Vehicle 1 :** 2025-2025 Brinkley RV Model Z  
**Vehicle Type :** TRAILERS  
**Body Style :**  
**Power Train :** NR

**Descriptive Information :** The vehicles in the recall population include Model Z-Air travel trailers with safety chains that have an ID tag of 11,700 pounds. It has been decided that the vehicles in the recall population were built with safety chains that are underrated for the Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR). Products not included in the recall have been excluded as they include safety chains with ratings that meet or exceed the GVWR per SAE J684. The affected population includes 37 units sold to US dealers and 3 units sold to Canadian dealers.

**Production Dates :** AUG 23, 2024 - SEP 17, 2024

VIN Range 1 : Begin :	7T0TA3520SC000585	End :	7T0TA3524SC000590	<input type="checkbox"/> Not sequential
VIN Range 2 : Begin :	7T0TA3528SC000592	End :	7T0TA3520SC000599	<input type="checkbox"/> Not sequential
VIN Range 3 : Begin :	7T0TA3420SC000605	End :	7T0TA3426SC000625	<input type="checkbox"/> Not sequential
VIN Range 4 : Begin :	7T0TA3525SC000646	End :	7T0TA3527SC000647	<input type="checkbox"/> Not sequential
VIN Range 5 : Begin :	7T0TA3520SC000652	End :	7T0TA3522SC000653	<input type="checkbox"/> Not sequential
VIN Range 6 : Begin :	7T0TA3523SC000659	End :	7T0TA3523SC000659	<input type="checkbox"/> Not sequential

**Description of Defect :**

**Description of the Defect :** It has been decided that the vehicles in the recall population were built with safety chains that are underrated for the Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR).

**FMVSS 1 :** NR

**FMVSS 2 :** NR

**Description of the Safety Risk :** If the vehicle becomes detached from the tow vehicle, the safety chains may not carry the weight of the unit as designed, leading to an increased risk of property damage and or vehicle crash.

Description of the Cause : The GVWR of the identified models was increased through product development, and the corresponding upgrade of the safety chains was inadvertently omitted from the revised design.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : N/A

## Involved Components :

Component Name 1 : 11,700 LBS Safety Chain

Component Description : 11700 LBS 27 IN SAFETY CHAIN W/ HOOK

Component Part Number : 119050

## Supplier Identification :

### Component Manufacturer

Name : Lippert

Address : 2020 Blakesley Pkwy  
Bristol Indiana 46507

Country : United States

## Chronology :

On 9/20/24, the Brinkley RV Operations team communicated a concern to the Product Safety team that a recent GVWR change (increase) in the suspect models was made, and the corresponding upgrade in safety chains was inadvertently omitted. The shipping yard was put on hold and units were addressed (underrated safety chains were replaced with properly rated chains by the chassis supplier). On 9/25/24, the Brinkley RV Safety Committee met to discuss this issue and voted to issue a Recall to address affected units that had shipped prior to identification of the issue. There were no warranty claims, field/service reports, or any other issues such as death/injury reports related to this issue.

**Description of Remedy :**

Description of Remedy Program : Detailed Work Instructions and parts kits will be provided to dealers (and in some cases Independent Service Providers) to replace the underrated safety chains with correctly rated parts. Costs for the remedy applied to all affected units will be covered by Brinkley RV and the chassis supplier, Lippert. Owners who have previously paid to have this remedy performed will, upon documentation of the work, be immediately reimbursed by Brinkley RV.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : The remedy component is rated for a load of 16,200 lbs and the recalled component is rated for 11,700 lbs.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : Units produced after the VIN ranges included in this Recall scope were built by the chassis supplier with the upgraded safety chains.

**Recall Schedule :**

Description of Recall Schedule : Brinkley will notify the dealers and owners of the recreational vehicles by e-mail. Owners will also receive a hard copy letter by mail. A final copy of the owner letter will be provided to NHTSA, along with the dealer inspection/repair procedures from Lippert. Dealers will also be notified via the Brinkley Dealer Portal.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : OCT 02, 2024 - OCT 09, 2024

Planned Owner Notification Date : OCT 08, 2024 - OCT 29, 2024

\* NR - Not Reported