

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 24V-779

**Manufacturer Name :** Aluminum Trailer Company (ATC)**Submission Date :** DEC 03, 2024**NHTSA Recall No. :** 24V-779**Manufacturer Recall No. :** NR**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Aluminum Trailer Company (ATC)

Address : 751 N Tomahawk Trail

Nappanee IN 46650

Company phone : 574-773-2440

**Population :**

Number of potentially involved : 1,510

Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

**Vehicle Information :**

Vehicle 1 : 2013-2025 ATC Car Hauler

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Frame design differences, GVWR, and length differences. 910 vins affected. The remedied Frames will have additional support welded to the tongue tubes.

Production Dates : MAR 08, 2013 - OCT 11, 2024

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

 Not sequential

Vehicle 2 : 2017-2025 ATC Stacker

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Frame design differences, GVWR, and length differences. 680 vin's affected. The remedied Frames will have additional support welded to the tongue tubes.

Production Dates : NOV 03, 2017 - OCT 18, 2024

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

 Not sequential**Description of Defect :**

Description of the Defect : A-frame tongue could break

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : Stress at the tongue at the front wall could cause A-Frame material to crack and eventually break, separating tongue from trailer

Description of the Cause : Stress at the tongue at the front wall could cause A-Frame material to crack and eventually break, separating tongue from trailer increasing the risk of a crash

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : A-frame tongue could become cracked where tongue intersects with front wall

### Involved Components :

Component Name 1 : Aluminum Tube

Component Description : Aluminum Tube, HDH - 2.000 x 7.000 x 0.150 x 290.000, 6005-T5, 0.125 Radius Corner

Component Part Number : 0015650

Component Name 2 : Aluminum Tube

Component Description : Extrusion, Aluminum , Tube, HDH - 2.000 x 8.000 x 0.190 x 290.000, 6005-T5, 0.125 Radius Corner

Component Part Number : 0013637

Component Name 3 : Aluminum Tube

Component Description : Extrusion, Aluminum , Tube, HDH - 2.000 x 5.000 x 0.190 x 300.000, 6005-T5

Component Part Number : 0013634

### Supplier Identification :

#### Component Manufacturer

Name : NR

Address : NR

NR

Country : NR

### Chronology :

After receiving 8 warranty claims in 2024 for tongues breaking between 3/20/2024 and 7/29/2024 an investigation began. After the investigation it was decided on 10/11/24 that there is a safety risk on the specified trailers and a NHTSA recall needed to be initiated.

## Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : ATC will remedy the defect without charge to you. ATC will provide angle supports to be welded to the A-frame to strengthen the tongue on car haulers and tube supports on stackers and prints for installation to approved service centers for the repair at no cost. Once contact has been made with a dealer or service center for repair, parts will be sent to the facility. Time estimated for fix is 1.25 hours for Car Hauler fix and 2 hours for Stacker fix. ATC will reimburse any customer providing sufficient documentation who incurred costs to repair the defect before our notification was sent.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : The remedied Frames will have additional support welded to the tongue tubes

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : Design was changed as of October 2024 in production

## Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Owners will be notified via mail. Dealers will be notified via e-mail

Planned Dealer Notification Date : DEC 09, 2024 - DEC 13, 2024

Planned Owner Notification Date : DEC 09, 2024 - DEC 13, 2024

\* NR - Not Reported