



R24DE

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL
NHTSA Number: 24V-599 (School Bus)
NHTSA Number: 24V-600 (Non-School Bus)

DATE: October 11, 2024

SUBJECT: R24DE: 6.8L Gas – Fuel Supply Line Leak

Dear Blue Bird Owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Blue Bird Body Company has decided a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain:

- Model year 2018 - 2022 Blue Bird Vision School Buses
 - Manufactured from January 28, 2016 through February 10, 2021
- Model Year 2018 - 2022 Blue Bird Vision Non-School Buses
 - Manufactured from August 11, 2016 through October 28, 2020

On the subject buses, the coating on the end of the fuel line could have been damaged causing the potential for liquid fuel to leach under the fuel line coating which could in turn present a fuel leak. If this condition is present, a risk of fuel contacting the exhaust system is possible which has the potential to cause a fire. Blue Bird is conducting a recall campaign to inspect this fuel line connection for leaks, and if present, remove the bus from service until repairs are completed.

This notice applies to your bus(es) identified by both Blue Bird Body Number and Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) on the enclosed yellow cover sheet. If you no longer own the subject bus(es), please complete the appropriate section of the yellow cover sheet and return to Blue Bird in the enclosed pink postage prepaid envelope.

Corrective Action:

To correct this condition, the Dealer or the Owner will complete an inspection, and if necessary, complete a repair as outlined in R24DE Recall Instructions. Blue Bird will replace the fuel lines, as necessary. Blue Bird will reimburse the labor cost of the repair related to this recall at no cost to the vehicle owner.

Labor Reimbursement:

Blue Bird will reimburse the labor cost of the Inspection and Repair related to this recall at no cost to the vehicle owner. The standard repair time (SRT) to accomplish these repairs in accordance with the R24DE remedy procedure(s) is outlined below. The remedy would be comprised of Repair A or Repair B based on the inspection findings.

Repair A: Inspection Only 0.30 Hours (18 minutes)
Repair B: Inspection and Repair 0.80 Hours (48 minutes)



Administering the Recall and Parts:

Blue Bird recommends you contact your local or nearest Blue Bird Dealer to arrange for this recall to be performed. To locate an authorized dealer, search online at www.blue-bird.com/find-a-dealer. The Dealer can perform the repairs, or arrange for repairs to be performed by a service repair facility authorized by the Dealer. Recall R24DE should be repaired, per R24DE Recall Instructions. **Parts are currently available and can be ordered through campaignparts@blue-bird.com**

Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

If the modifications directed by this notification were performed on your bus prior to the receipt of this recall notification, attach a copy of the work order/invoice. Mail the documents in the pink self-addressed postage prepaid envelope included with the pink reply sheet to Blue Bird for warranty consideration. Reimbursements will be made in accordance with the requirements of the National Highway Transportation Safety Act, Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 573 and 577.

Please contact your local Blue Bird Dealer with any questions regarding this recall campaign.

If Blue Bird Body Company should fail to or is unable to remedy this condition without charge to you, you may contact:

**ADMINISTRATOR
NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION
1200 NEW JERSEY AVENUE, SE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20590**

Or, you may call The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration toll free at:
1-888-327-4236 TTY 1-800-424-9153 or go to: <http://www.safercar.gov>