



U.S. Department
of Transportation

National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

26V269

Manufacturer Name: Lode-King Industries, Ltd.

Submission Date: Apr 28, 2026

NHTSA Recall No.: 26V269

Manufacturer Recall No.:

Manufacturer Information

Population

Manufacturer Name: Lode-King Industries, Ltd.

Address: Box 1146
135 Canada St
Winkler, Manitoba-Canada
Foreign States, R6W4B4

Total number of potentially involved: 114

Estimated percentage with defect: 75%

Vehicle Information

Vehicle 1: 2019-2026 Lode-King SDG53-3; SDF53-3; SDF50-3

Product Category: Trailers

Product Type: Flatbed Trailer

Fuel / Propulsion:

Production Dates: Mar 12, 2018 - Dec 19, 2025

Number of potentially involved: 114

Descriptive Information:

The recalled semi-trailers have been specially built to haul live poultry. Each has a specially designed roof and tarping system which makes them unique.

Defect / Noncompliance Description

Description of the defect or noncompliance:

Rear Impact Guard (RIG) installation may be missing 2 key welds, securing the RIG to the rear of the trailer.

FMVSS1: 223 - Rear impact guards

FMVSS2:

Description of the safety risk, including crash, fire, death, injury:

In the event of a rear end impact/crash, the RIG may collapse prematurely allowing the impacting vehicle to encroach underneath the rear of the trailer frame.

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26V269**Description of the cause:**

Missing welds are an error of omission during manufacture.

Identification of any warning that can occur:

None known.

Component Manufacturer

Tier of Supplier:**Supplier Type:****Name:****Address:****Country:**

Involved Components

Component Name 1:**Component Description:****Component Part Number:**

Chronology

During a recent quality audit at our factory, we became aware that some confusion existed among production welders, regarding weld details for RIG installation. Upon further investigation we have learned that this confusion has existed for some period of time. We have learned that some of these poultry trailers were welded correctly, but some were missing these critical welds. Since we are unable to determine which were welded correctly and which were not, we are recalling all of this group of semi-trailers.

All of these trailers were sold in Canada to an upfitter that installed the roof & tarping system. We are also aware that many of these units were resold to end users in the United States.

In parallel to this NHTSA Recall we have launched a **Transport Canada Recall # 2026-209** for the trailers that remained in Canada.

Related NHTSA Recall Number:

Description of Remedy

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Remedy Type: Inspect, Repair

Consumer Advisories: ☐ Do Not Drive ☐ Park Outside

Description of remedy program:

Each trailer needs to be inspected to determine if these important welds are present. If they are not, these welds must be added.

How remedy component differs from recalled component:

Identify how/when recall condition was corrected in production:

Currently there are 6 more of this style of trailer in production. They have been inspected and verified that the RIG installation welds have been correctly carried out.

Reimbursement Plan

Description of reimbursement program:

Lode King will fully reimburse customers for the cost of the inspection and repair.

Period of reimbursement:

No time limit established

Costs to be reimbursed:

Two (2) hours of labor time allowed at the prevailing shop rate.

Address for reimbursement claims:

135 Canada St.
Winkler, Manitoba Foreign States, R6W 4B2

Recall Schedule

Description of recall schedule:

We plan to have the owner notification letters sent out by 22 May, 2026.

Planned Dealer Notification Date:

☒ No Dealers

Planned Interim Owner Notification Date: May 04, 2026 - May 22, 2026

☐ No Owners

Planned Remedy Owner Notification Date: May 04, 2026 - May 26, 2028

☐ Phased Recall

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Date when VIN will be searchable: May 22, 2026