



U.S. Department  
of Transportation

National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration

## Part 573 Safety Recall Report

## 26V270

**Manufacturer Name:** Harley-Davidson Motor Company

**Submission Date:** Apr 28, 2026

**NHTSA Recall No.:** 26V270

**Manufacturer Recall No.:** 0193

### Manufacturer Information

### Population

**Manufacturer Name:** Harley-Davidson Motor  
Company  
**Address:** 3700 W. Juneau Avenue  
Milwaukee WI, 53201-0653

**Total number of potentially involved:** 88,039  
**Estimated percentage with defect:** 0.4%

### Vehicle Information

**Vehicle 1:** 2025-2026 HARLEY-DAVIDSON FXBR

**Product Category:** Motorcycles

**Product Type:** Motorcycles

**Fuel / Propulsion:** Spark Ignition Fuel

**Production Dates:** Oct 03, 2024 - Feb 11, 2026

**Number of potentially involved:** 2,618

**Descriptive Information:**

Motorcycles listed in the "Vehicle Information" portion of this report that were built with Airbox Baseplate (p/n 29000373) between the listed dates are included in the recall. Motorcycles listed and built after the listed dates have been inspected to ensure that the recall condition is not present. Other Harley-Davidson models utilize a different airbox construction and are not included in this recall.

**Vehicle 2:** 2026-2026 HARLEY-DAVIDSON FLTRXL

**Product Category:** Motorcycles

**Product Type:** Motorcycles

**Fuel / Propulsion:** Spark Ignition Fuel

**Production Dates:** Sep 11, 2025 - Feb 11, 2026

**Number of potentially involved:** 1,067

**Descriptive Information:**

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**Vehicle 3:** 2024-2026 HARLEY-DAVIDSON FLTRX

**Product Category:** Motorcycles

**Product Type:** Motorcycles

**Fuel / Propulsion:** Spark Ignition Fuel

**Production Dates:** Oct 02, 2023 - Feb 11, 2026

**Number of potentially involved:** 47,241

**Descriptive Information:**

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**Vehicle 4:** 2026-2026 HARLEY-DAVIDSON FLTRT

**Product Category:** Motorcycles

**Product Type:** Motorcycles

**Fuel / Propulsion:** Spark Ignition Fuel

**Production Dates:** Jun 17, 2025 - Feb 11, 2026

**Number of potentially involved:** 629

**Descriptive Information:**

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**Vehicle 5:** 2025-2025 HARLEY-DAVIDSON FLHXU

**Product Category:** Motorcycles

**Product Type:** Motorcycles

**Fuel / Propulsion:** Spark Ignition Fuel

**Production Dates:** Sep 16, 2024 - Sep 18, 2025

**Number of potentially involved:** 3,570

**Descriptive Information:**

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**Vehicle 6:** 2026-2026 HARLEY-DAVIDSON FLHXL

**Product Category:** Motorcycles

**Product Type:** Motorcycles

**Fuel / Propulsion:** Spark Ignition Fuel

**Production Dates:** Nov 05, 2025 - Feb 11, 2026

**Number of potentially involved:** 1,048

**Descriptive Information:**

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**Vehicle 7:** 2024-2026 HARLEY-DAVIDSON FLHX

**Product Category:** Motorcycles

**Product Type:** Motorcycles

**Fuel / Propulsion:** Spark Ignition Fuel

**Production Dates:** Oct 02, 2023 - Feb 11, 2026

**Number of potentially involved:** 28,612

**Descriptive Information:**

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**Vehicle 8:** 2026-2026 HARLEY-DAVIDSON FLHLT

**Product Category:** Motorcycles

**Product Type:** Motorcycles

**Fuel / Propulsion:** Spark Ignition Fuel

**Production Dates:** Jun 16, 2025 - Feb 11, 2026

**Number of potentially involved:** 1,262

**Descriptive Information:**

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**Vehicle 9:** 2025-2026 HARLEY-DAVIDSON FLFB

**Product Category:** Motorcycles

**Product Type:** Motorcycles

**Fuel / Propulsion:** Spark Ignition Fuel

**Production Dates:** Oct 03, 2024 - Feb 11, 2026

**Number of potentially involved:** 1,992

**Descriptive Information:**

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## Defect / Noncompliance Description

**Description of the defect or noncompliance:**

The airbox backplate breather port may be blocked.

**FMVSS1:**

**FMVSS2:**

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

A blocked breather port can result in pressure build-up in the crankcase. If the dipstick is removed while the crankcase is pressurized, and the pressure is not slowly released before removing the dipstick, oil may be discharged from the fill spout, creating a risk of injury.

**Description of the cause:**

Due to a supplier manufacturing issue, the breather port may contain plastic material blocking the passageway.

**Identification of any warning that can occur:**

The motorcycle may exhibit smoking from the exhaust system, excessive oil consumption, a detached breather hose, and/or an audible release of pressure when removing the dipstick.

## Component Manufacturer

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**26V270****Tier of Supplier:** Tier 1**Supplier Type:** OEM**Name:** Overdrive Acquisition LLC dba Walbro**Address:** 43700 Gen Mar  
Novi MI, 48375**Country:** United States

## Involved Components

**Component Name 1:** Baseplate, airbox, assy**Component Description:** Airbox baseplate**Component Part Number:** 29000373

## Chronology

- 4/3/2025: Corporate action request (CAR) 20845 initiated for a production quality issue pertaining to blocked baseplates. A quarantine material request (QMR) was implemented.
- 9/11/2025: A new QMR was implemented, which involved a visual inspection of the breather port with a flashlight.
- 2/12/2026: It was discovered that the prior visual inspections may not have identified 100% of defective parts, because the condition could present as a very thin layer of plastic which allowed light (but not vapor) to pass through. A revised process was implemented to physically inspect the breather port using a tool, with repair as needed.
- 3/18/2026: H-D received a Service Request citing blockage of a breather port and injury to a dealer technician.
- 3/24/2026 – Harley-Davidson’s Technical Subcommittee (TSC) reviewed the matter.
- 3/26/2026: – 4/9/2026: H-D conducted an evaluation of the issue and scope. The TSC reviewed the records of a quality screening by physical inspection of a batch of production parts which identified up to 10% of the incoming parts exhibiting a blocked breather port. Separately, 207 vehicles at H-D’s York Vehicle Operations were inspected, with 3 identified as requiring repair. A search of warranty and customer contacts identified 192 reports of blocked breather ports, 14 resulting in oil discharge from the fill spout. In addition, a Harley-Davidson Product Development Center mechanic was contacted by oil when removing the dipstick while testing a motorcycle with a blocked breather passage (no injury).
- 4/13/2026 – The TSC escalated the matter to H-D's Field Action Committee (FAC) for further consideration.
- 4/21/2026 - The FAC reviewed the TSC's findings and analysis and escalated the matter to H-D's Executive Decision Authority (EDA).

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- 4/27/2026 - Based upon the information developed during the investigation, the EDA authorized a voluntary recall to address this condition.
- H-D is aware of one injury potentially related to this condition.

**Related NHTSA Recall Number:**

## Description of Remedy

**Remedy Type:** Inspect, Repair

**Consumer Advisories:**  Do Not Drive  Park Outside

**Description of remedy program:**

The airbox backplate breather port will be inspected on the affected population of motorcycles. If necessary, a repair will be conducted on airbox baseplates which demonstrate a blocked breather port.

**How remedy component differs from recalled component:**

No remedy components will be required. The majority of the affected population is expected to only require an inspection. Motorcycles which demonstrate the recall condition will be repaired without requiring additional parts.

**Identify how/when recall condition was corrected in production:**

Vehicles built after 2/11/2026 have been inspected under a new inspection process to ensure they do not present the recall condition.

## Reimbursement Plan

Manufacturer used general reimbursement plan on file.

## Recall Schedule

**Description of recall schedule:**

The dealer communication and TSB are planned for 4/30/2026. Owner letters are planned to be mailed between 5/11 and 5/20/2026.

- Planned Dealer Notification Date:** Apr 30, 2026 - Apr 30, 2026  No Dealers
- Planned Interim Owner Notification Date:**  No Owners
- Planned Remedy Owner Notification Date:** May 11, 2026 - May 20, 2026  Phased Recall

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**Date when VIN will be searchable:** Apr 30, 2026