U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Safety Recall Report 26V734

Manufacturer Name: Lamar Trailers, Inc.

Submission Date: Nov 13, 2026

NHTSA Recall No.: 26V734

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Manufacturer Information

Manufacturer Name: Lamar Trailers, Inc.

Address: 7271 FM 38 N
SUMNER TX, 75486

Population

Total number of potentially involved: 8,407

Estimated percentage with defect: 100%

Vehicle Information

Vehicle 1: 2021-2027 Lamar GN

Product Category: Trailers

Product Type:

Fuel / Propulsion:

Production Dates: Oct 06, 2021 - Nov 03, 2026

Number of potentially involved: 8,407

Descriptive Information:

Certain Lamar gooseneck trailers, model years 2021–2027, use a bolt-and-nut system to secure the spare tire to the gooseneck. Lamar learned that some of the nuts were loosening or weakening from vibration as the trailer traveled, causing the connection between the spare tire and the mount to come loose. A loose connection could allow the spare tire to detach from the trailer.

The cone nuts used in this system could not be properly seated, allowing them to back off the mounting bolt during operation. The spare tire could then move and wear the bolt down. Once the bolt failed, the spare tire was no longer secured and could fall through gaps in the trailer neck onto the roadway. Detached tires have caused damages to other trailer components.

Lamar reviewed historical design-change records to identify when the affected spare tire configuration entered production. The gooseneck trailer neck revision dated October 6, 2021 redesigned the neck and introduced bolt-and-cone-nut hardware to secure the spare tire. Trailers built before this revision used a basket-style spare tire mount secured by a center bar, retaining plate, and lynch pin, and are not affected.

Revision R, effective November 3, 2026, replaced this hardware with a Grade 5 bolt, push-on washer, flat washer, and lock nut and added a 6"x6" angle iron seat that prevents the spare tire from falling to the ground. Units completed after 10:50 a.m. on November 3, 2026 include both changes and are not affected.

The affected population includes all gooseneck trailers containing units with the spare tire mount in the neck completed between October 6, 2021 and November 3, 2026 at 10:50 a.m. Trailers without this configuration were excluded.

Build completion dates for units built before June 2022 are based on work order firm dates, as labor completion reporting began in June 2022.

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Defect / Noncompliance Description

Description of the defect or noncompliance:

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FMVSS1:

FMVSS2:

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

A spare tire that detaches from the trailer while in motion becomes a road hazard to following vehicles. Drivers may strike the tire or brake or swerve suddenly to avoid it, increasing the risk of a crash.

Description of the cause:

Identification of any warning that can occur:

Component Manufacturer

Tier of Supplier:

Supplier Type:

Name:

Address:

Country:

Involved Components

Component Name 1: Spare tire mounting hardware

Component Description: Spare tire mounting hardware

Component Part Number:

Chronology

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As of November 4, 2026, Lamar is aware of six reports. None involved a crash, injury, or fatality. All involved property damage to the trailer.

June 13, 2025: Lamar received a claim (SI 120940) reporting that the spare tire detached from a gooseneck trailer and was run over by the trailer, damaging the deck and bending the axles. No crash or injuries were reported. The claim was resolved.

August 18, 2025: Lamar received a claim (SI 122498) reporting a detached spare tire, with bent crossmembers, a broken deck, and a possibly bent axle. No crash or injuries were reported. The claim was closed.

February 13, 2026: Lamar received a claim (SI 127745) reporting a detached spare tire, with bent axles and crossmembers. No crash or injuries were reported. The claim was closed.

February 27, 2026: Lamar received a claim (SI 128398) reporting a detached spare tire, with a bent axle and crossmembers. No crash or injuries were reported. The claim was resolved.

May 6, 2026: Lamar received a claim (SI 131816) reporting a detached spare tire, with bent axles and crossmembers and a damaged spare wheel and tire. No crash or injuries were reported. The claim was resolved.

May 7, 2026: Following the May 6 claim, Lamar submitted a proposal to its change committee to address recurring reports of detached spare tires. The proposal remained under change committee review until October 30, 2026.

October 6, 2026: Lamar received a claim (SI 136358) reporting a detached spare tire, with a bent crossmember and damage to the spare tire and toolbox. No crash or injuries were reported. The claim was resolved.

October 30, 2026: Lamar reviewed the issue as a potential safety defect. Lamar determined that a defect related to motor vehicle safety exists and decided to conduct a safety recall. The change committee proposal submitted on May 7 was approved, and Revision R was scheduled for production.

November 3, 2026: Revision R was implemented in production, effective with units completed after 10:50 a.m.

Related NHTSA Recall Number:

Description of Remedy

Remedy Type: Repair

Consumer Advisories: ☐ Do Not Drive ☐ Park Outside

Description of remedy program:

Lamar will replace the existing spare tire mounting hardware, including the cone nuts, with a Grade 5 bolt, push-on washer, flat washer, and lock nut, free of charge. The new hardware is designed to seat properly and prevent the nut from backing off the bolt, keeping the spare tire secured to the mount.

Owners may choose either option:
• Self-install kit: Lamar will mail a remedy kit with the new hardware and installation and inspection instructions. During installation, the owner inspects the spare tire mount and surrounding area for wear or damage.

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• Dealer repair: The owner takes the trailer to an authorized Lamar dealer, where a technician installs the new hardware and inspects the spare tire mount and surrounding area.

If a trailer has already experienced a bolt failure or spare tire separation, Lamar will determine whether any damage to other trailer components resulted from it. Damage that Lamar determines is related will be repaired free of charge by an authorized Lamar dealer. If the owner has already paid for that repair, Lamar will reimburse reasonable repair costs (see the reimbursement plan below).
Owners who find damage during a self-install should contact Lamar or an authorized Lamar dealer to have it reviewed.
Affected units in Lamar and dealer inventory will receive the remedy before delivery.

How remedy component differs from recalled component:

Identify how/when recall condition was corrected in production:

Production change: Revision R, effective November 3, 2026, replaces the spare tire hardware with a Grade 5 bolt, push-on washer, flat washer, and lock nut and adds a 6"x6" angle iron seat in the neck. Units completed after 10:50 a.m. on November 3, 2026 are not affected.

Reimbursement Plan

Description of reimbursement program:
Lamar will reimburse owners of affected trailers for out-of-pocket costs to repair or replace the spare tire mounting hardware, and to repair trailer damage that Lamar determines is related to this condition, as described in the remedy. Costs incurred from October 6, 2021 through 60 days after the last owner notification letter is mailed are eligible.
To request reimbursement, owners submit the trailer VIN, proof of payment, and a description of the repair to Lamar Trailers at 7271 FM 38 N, Sumner, TX 75486, warranty@lamartrailers.com; (903)782-9333.

Period of reimbursement:

Costs to be reimbursed:

Address for reimbursement claims:
7271 FM 38 N
Sumner TX, 75486

Recall Schedule

Description of recall schedule:

Will mail out Part 577 by the 60-day requirement.

Planned Dealer Notification Date: Jan 04, 2027 - Jan 04, 2027 ☐ No Dealers

Planned Interim Owner Notification Date: ☐ No Owners

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Planned Remedy Owner Notification Date: Jan 04, 2027 - Jan 04, 2027 ☐ Phased Recall

Date when VIN will be searchable: