

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

21V-059

Manufacturer Name : Forest River, Inc.

Submission Date : FEB 10, 2021

NHTSA Recall No. : 21V-059

Manufacturer Recall No. : 22-1189



Manufacturer Information :

Manufacturer Name : Forest River, Inc.

Address : 55470 CR 1

P.O. Box 3030 Elkhart IN 46515-3030

Company phone : 1-800-348-7440

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 53

Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2021-2021 Forest River Inc. Wildcat Travel Trailers WCT247RXX-OR and WCT276FKX-OR

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : To determine the scope of vehicles affected, the Manufacturing Plant used manufacturing data from inception of this new model to present date to ensure all vehicles Wildcat - 53

Production Dates : AUG 12, 2020 - JAN 30, 2021

VIN Range 1 : Begin : NR

End : NR

☐ Not sequential

Description of Defect :

Description of the Defect : The safety chains do not meet the Gross Vehicle Weight Rating and could potentially break.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : If the recreational vehicle trailer becomes detached from the tow-vehicle, the safety chains would not meet the Gross Vehicle Weight Rating and break. This condition could lead to complete detachment or cause property damage, personal injury or a crash.

Description of the Cause : During a redesign of the vehicle; the incorrect safety chains were assigned to the vehicle

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : None

Involved Components :

Component Name 1 : NR

Component Description : NR

Component Part Number : NR

Supplier Identification :**Component Manufacturer**

Name : NR

Address : NR

NR

Country : NR

Chronology :

Lippert Components (LCI) discovered the issue on Thursday 1/28/01, a tech was scheduled for 1/29/01 to install the correct size chains. During an inspection of the rest of the vehicles in Forest Rivers possession. On 2/3/2021, one other model was discovered that had a higher GVWR than the chains were rated for. All of those models on ground were immediately stop shipped and LCI is sending a tech to change out those chains.

On 2/5//2021, Forest River's Corporate Recall Committee voted to Recall.

2/10/2021 - Due to a clerical error, the Forest River ID was entered as 22-1189 and should be 22-1289

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Forest River will provide all parts and labor free of charge to the consumer to replace the incorrectly rated safety chains with the correctly rated safety chains. A Forest River authorized dealer or service center will need to perform this recall.

What is the Forest River Customer Service Phone Number? (503)
831-5410

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : Original Safety Chains - Safety Chain; 7,600 LB Part# 128657
Replacement Safety Chains; 11,700 LB part# 119050
The replacement safety chains will be of the correct rating for the Gross

Identify How/When Recall Condition
was Corrected in Production :

Vehicle Weight.

On 2/3/2021 through 2/4/2021, The Manufacturing Plant reviewed all chassis prints for plant 22 to verify correct chain size was assigned and discovered only two Wildcat models had been assigned the smaller chain size. The correctly rated safety chains are currently being installed as of 2/4/2021

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Forest River has the utmost urgency in our recalls. Forest River will send suspected VIN numbers to our third party vendor that is licensed to pull data on the current owner of the vehicles (as needed) once a formal NHTSA I.D. is provided. Forest River intends on pushing the mailing out as soon as NHTSA provides any correction(s) and an Acknowledgement Letter.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : MAR 19, 2021 - MAR 19, 2021

Planned Owner Notification Date : MAR 19, 2021 - MAR 19, 2021

* NR - Not Reported



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