

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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Ms. Terri Tobias
Regulatory Compliance Manager
Jayco, Inc.
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NEF-150KL
19V-123

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Subject: Possible Reduced Brake Performance

Dear Ms. Tobias:

This letter serves to acknowledge Jayco, Inc.'s notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

#### Makes/Models/Model Years:

JAYCO/EMBARK/2019

Mfr's Report Date: February 25, 2019

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V-123

**Components:** 

SERVICE BRAKES

**Potential Number of Units Affected: 20** 

## **Problem Description:**

Jayco, Inc. (Jayco) is recalling certain 2019 Jayco Embark motorhomes built on a Spartan chassis, equipped with independent front suspension and front drum brakes. The cotter pins may be missing or improperly installed at the actuator rod of the front slack adjuster for the front brakes.

## **Consequence:**

The missing or improperly installed cotter pin may cause the actuator rod to detach, affecting brake performance and lengthening the distance needed to stop the vehicle, increasing the risk of a crash.

# Remedy:

Spartan has notified owners, and Spartan Service Centers will inspect and properly install the cotter pin or install any missing pins and adjust the brakes appropriately, free of charge. The recall began on February 28, 2019. Owners may contact Jayco customer service at 1-800-517-9137.

#### **Notes:**

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.



Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to manufacturer's instructions.

It is our understanding that Spartan will be reporting the recall completion rates for this campaign.

Your contact for this recall will be Kristin Lepper who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5227, or by email at kristin.lepper@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Kareem Habib

Acting Chief, Recall Management Division

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Office of Defects Investigations

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