

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 20V-166

**Manufacturer Name :** BMW of North America, LLC**Submission Date :** JUL 10, 2020**NHTSA Recall No. :** 20V-166**Manufacturer Recall No. :** NR**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : BMW of North America, LLC

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**Population :**

Number of potentially involved : 365

Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

**Vehicle Information :**

Vehicle 1 : 2018-2020 BMW RnineT

Vehicle Type : MOTORCYCLES

Body Style :

Power Train : GAS

**Descriptive Information :** Approximately 108 motorcycles were produced with a brake fluid reservoir cover which may not fully conform to FMVSS 122 Section 5.1.9(d).

**Basis for recall population determination:** Motorcycle production records were reviewed to determine the specific Model Year 2018-2020 BMW R nine T motorcycles manufactured from 09/29/2017 through 09/19/2019 with an order option for a color-specific brake fluid reservoir cover.

**Recall component difference to non-recall component:** Recall motorcycles were produced with a brake fluid reservoir cover which may not fully conform to FMVSS 122 Section 5.1.9(d).

Production Dates : SEP 29, 2017 - SEP 19, 2019

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

 Not sequential

Vehicle 2 : 2018-2020 BMW RnineT Scambler

Vehicle Type : MOTORCYCLES

Body Style :

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Approximately 11 motorcycles were produced with a brake fluid reservoir cover which may not fully conform to FMVSS 122 Section 5.1.9(d).

Basis for recall population determination: Motorcycle production records were reviewed to determine the specific Model Year 2018-2020 BMW R nine T Scambler motorcycles manufactured from 02/28/2017 through 03/02/2020 with an order option for a color-specific brake fluid reservoir cover.

Recall component difference to non-recall component: Recall motorcycles were produced with an optional brake fluid reservoir cover which may not fully conform to FMVSS 122 Section 5.1.9(d).

Production Dates : FEB 28, 2017 - MAR 02, 2020

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

Not sequential

Vehicle 3 : 2018-2018 BMW RnineT Racer

Vehicle Type : MOTORCYCLES

Body Style :

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Approximately 24 motorcycles were produced with a brake fluid reservoir cover which may not fully conform to FMVSS 122 Section 5.1.9(d).

Basis for recall population determination: Motorcycle production records were reviewed to determine the specific Model Year 2018 BMW R nine T Racer motorcycles manufactured from 12/20/2017 through 02/06/2018 with an order option for a color-specific brake fluid reservoir cover.

Recall component difference to non-recall component: Recall motorcycles were produced with an optional brake fluid reservoir cover which may not fully conform to FMVSS 122 Section 5.1.9(d).

Production Dates : DEC 20, 2017 - FEB 06, 2018

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

Not sequential

Vehicle 4 : 2019-2020 BMW R1250GS

Vehicle Type : MOTORCYCLES

Body Style :

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Approximately 50 motorcycles were produced with a brake fluid reservoir cover which may not fully conform to FMVSS 122 Section 5.1.9(d).

Basis for recall population determination: Motorcycle production records were reviewed to determine the specific Model Year 2019-2020 BMW R 1250 GS motorcycles manufactured from 03/12/2019 through 11/13/2019 with an order option for a color-specific brake fluid reservoir cover.

Recall component difference to non-recall component: Recall motorcycles were produced with an optional brake fluid reservoir cover which may not fully conform to FMVSS 122 Section 5.1.9(d).

Production Dates : MAR 12, 2019 - NOV 30, 2019

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

Not sequential

Vehicle 5 : 2019-2020 BMW R1250GS Adventure

Vehicle Type : MOTORCYCLES

Body Style :

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Approximately 61 motorcycles were produced with a brake fluid reservoir cover which may not fully conform to FMVSS 122 Section 5.1.9(d).

Basis for recall population determination: Motorcycle production records were reviewed to determine the specific Model Year 2019-2020 BMW R 1250 GS Adventure motorcycles manufactured from 02/13/2019 through 02/10/2020 with an order option for a color-specific brake fluid reservoir cover.

Recall component difference to non-recall component: Recall motorcycles were produced with an optional brake fluid reservoir cover which may not fully conform to FMVSS 122 Section 5.1.9(d).

Production Dates : FEB 13, 2019 - FEB 10, 2020

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

Not sequential

Vehicle 6 : 2019-2020 BMW R1250RT

Vehicle Type : MOTORCYCLES

Body Style :

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Approximately 37 motorcycles were produced with a brake fluid reservoir cover which may not fully conform to FMVSS 122 Section 5.1.9(d).

Basis for recall population determination: Motorcycle production records were reviewed to determine the specific Model Year 2019-2020 BMW R 1250 RT motorcycles manufactured from 01/18/2019 through 02/07/2020 with an order option for a color-specific brake fluid reservoir cover.

Recall component difference to non-recall component: Recall motorcycles were produced with an optional brake fluid reservoir cover which may not fully conform to FMVSS 122 Section 5.1.9(d).

Production Dates : JAN 18, 2019 - FEB 07, 2020

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

Not sequential

Vehicle 7 : 2020-2020 BMW R1250R

Vehicle Type : MOTORCYCLES

Body Style :

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Approximately 46 motorcycles were produced with a brake fluid reservoir cover which may not fully conform to FMVSS 122 Section 5.1.9(d).

Basis for recall population determination: Motorcycle production records were reviewed to determine the specific Model Year 2020 BMW R 1250 R motorcycles manufactured from 06/06/2019 through 12/16/2019 with an order option for a color-specific brake fluid reservoir cover.

Recall component difference to non-recall component: Recall motorcycles were produced with an optional brake fluid reservoir cover which may not fully conform to FMVSS 122 Section 5.1.9(d).

Production Dates : JUN 06, 2019 - DEC 16, 2019

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

Not sequential

Vehicle 8 : 2020-2020 BMW R1250RS

Vehicle Type : MOTORCYCLES

Body Style :

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Approximately 17 motorcycles were produced with a brake fluid reservoir cover which may not fully conform to FMVSS 122 Section 5.1.9(d).

Basis for recall population determination: Motorcycle production records were reviewed to determine the specific Model Year 2020 BMW R 1250 RS motorcycles manufactured from 06/05/2019 through 01/27/2020 with an order option for a color-specific brake fluid reservoir cover.

Recall component difference to non-recall component: Recall motorcycles were produced with an optional brake fluid reservoir cover which may not fully conform to FMVSS 122 Section 5.1.9(d).

Production Dates : JUN 05, 2019 - JAN 27, 2020

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

Not sequential

Vehicle 9 : 2019-2020 BMW R nine T Pure

Vehicle Type : MOTORCYCLES

Body Style :

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Approximately 11 motorcycles were produced with a brake fluid reservoir cover which may not fully conform to FMVSS 122 Section 5.1.9(d).

Basis for recall population determination: Motorcycle production records were reviewed to determine the specific Model Year 2019-2020 BMW R nine T Pure motorcycles manufactured from 02/19/2019 through 02/06/2020 with an order option for a color-specific brake fluid reservoir cover.

Recall component difference to non-recall component: Recall motorcycles were produced with an optional brake fluid reservoir cover which may not fully conform to FMVSS 122 Section 5.1.9(d).

Production Dates : FEB 18, 2019 - FEB 10, 2020

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

Not sequential

**Description of Noncompliance :**

Description of the Noncompliance : This non-compliance recall involves the optional color-specific brake fluid reservoir cover. The cover may not fully conform to FMVSS 122 Section 5.1.9 (d).

FMVSS 1 : 122 - Motorcycle brake systems

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : If the text on the brake fluid reservoir cover was confusing or misunderstood, it could lead to an improper maintenance procedure.

Description of the Cause : NR

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : NR

**Involved Components :**

Component Name 1 : NR

Component Description : NR

Component Part Number : NR

**Supplier Identification :****Component Manufacturer**

Name : GILLES TOOLING GmbH

Address : 26, Op der Ahlkerrech  
Grevenmacher FOREIGN STATES 6776

Country : Luxembourg

**Chronology :**

In mid-February, 2020, based upon an internal review of motorcycle accessory parts, BMW became aware that certain motorcycles produced for the US market (with an order option for a color-specific brake fluid reservoir cover) could have been released with a cover that may not fully conform to FMVSS 122 Section 5.1.9(d).

A review of regulatory requirements, and the language contained on the covers, confirmed that potentially affected motorcycles may not fully conform to FMVSS 122 Section 5.1.9(d). Motorcycle production records were reviewed to determine the number, and production date range, of potentially affected motorcycles.

BMW has not received any reports, nor is BMW otherwise aware, of any accidents or injuries related to this issue.

On March 12, 2020, BMW decided to conduct a voluntary non-compliance recall.

## Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : The brake fluid reservoir cover will be replaced.

Owners will be notified by First Class mail and instructed to take their motorcycle to an authorized BMW motorcycle dealer to have the remedy performed for free. If this condition were to occur to a potentially affected motorcycle prior to this recall, the remedy would be covered by the BMW Motorcycle New Vehicle Limited Warranty program. Therefore, reimbursement for a pre-notification remedy re Part 573.13 and Part 577.11 is not necessary.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : Brake Fluid Reservoir Cover – p/n – (RnineT: 8404-098/-100/-102, 1542056), (R1250: 8405-752/-753/-754, 9829547).

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : NR

## Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Notification to dealers occurred on April 24, 2020.  
Notification to owners occurred on May 18, 2020.  
When parts become available, anticipated mid-September, owner letters will be mailed prompting them to schedule their vehicle for the recall.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : MAR 27, 2020 - MAR 27, 2020

Planned Owner Notification Date : MAY 11, 2020 - MAY 11, 2020

\* NR - Not Reported