#### OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

## 20V-236

Manufacturer Name: Triumph Motorcycles America, LTD

**Submission Date:** APR 28, 2020 NHTSA Recall No.: 20V-236 Manufacturer Recall No.: SRAN 579



#### **Manufacturer Information:**

Manufacturer Name: Triumph Motorcycles America, LTD

Address: 100 Hartsfield Centre Parkway

Suite 200 Atlanta GA 30354

Company phone: 678-854-2010

### **Population:**

Number of potentially involved: 3,691 Estimated percentage with defect: 1 %

#### **Vehicle Information:**

Vehicle 1: 2018-2019 Triumph Street Triple RS

Vehicle Type: MOTORCYCLES

Body Style: OTHER Power Train: GAS

Descriptive Information: The recall population was based upon a review of factory records.

Production Dates: JAN 07, 2017 - FEB 21, 2019

VIN Range 1: Begin: SMTA464S7JT810654 End: SMTA464S1KT944996 Not sequential

Vehicle 2: 2020-2020 Triumph Street Triple RS

Vehicle Type: MOTORCYCLES

Body Style: OTHER Power Train: GAS

Descriptive Information: The recall population was based upon a review of factory records.

Production Dates: SEP 03, 2019 - APR 08, 2020

VIN Range 1: Begin: SMTA554S8LT974456 End: SMTA554S0LTAB8581 Not sequential

Vehicle 3: 2019-2020 Triumph Speed Triple S

Vehicle Type: MOTORCYCLES

**Body Style: OTHER** Power Train: GAS

Descriptive Information: The recall population was based upon a review of factory records.

Production Dates: APR 09, 2018 - JAN 31, 2020

VIN Range 1: Begin: SMTN52P4XKJ899461 End: SMTN52P42LJAA2195 Not sequential

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Descriptive Information :	The recall population was based	d upon a	a review of factory record	S.
	NOV 27, 2017 - OCT 15, 2019 Begin: SMTF43XB6JJ866189	End:	SMTF43XB5LJ979716	☐ Not sequential
Vehicle Type : Body Style : Power Train :	GAS			
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	NOV 22, 2017 - MAR 04, 2019 Begin: SMTF44XB3JJ865409	End:	SMTF44XB9KJ947971	☐ Not sequential
Vehicle Type : Body Style : Power Train :			a review of factory record	S.
	APR 04, 2018 - JAN 31, 2020 Begin: SMTN53P48KJ898315	End:	SMTN53P45LJAA2214	
Vehicle Type : Body Style : Power Train :			a review of factory record	S
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Production Dates : VIN Range 1 :	NOV 23, 2017 - OCT 10, 2018 Begin: SMTF40XB9JJ865570	_	SMTF40XB4KJ919567	☐ Not sequential
VIN Range 1:  Vehicle 8:  Vehicle Type:  Body Style:  Power Train:	Begin: SMTF40XB9JJ865570  2018-2019 Triumph Tiger 1200  MOTORCYCLES  OTHER	End:	SMTF40XB4KJ919567	☐ Not sequential

Vehicle 9: 2018-2020 Triumph Tiger 1200 XCA  Vehicle Type: MOTORCYCLES  Body Style: OTHER  Power Train: GAS  Descriptive Information: The recall population was based upon a review of factory records.				
Production Dates: NOV 23, 2017 - OCT 14, 2019  VIN Range 1: Begin: SMTF45XB9JJ865579 End: SMTF45XB2LJ979510   Not sequential				
Vehicle 10: 2018-2019 Triumph Tiger 1200 XRx LRH  Vehicle Type: MOTORCYCLES  Body Style: OTHER  Power Train: GAS  Descriptive Information: The recall population was based upon a review of factory records.  Production Dates: NOV 15, 2017 - JAN 09, 2019				
VIN Range 1 : Begin : SMTF46XBXJJ864284 End : SMTF46XB7KJ934647  Not sequential				
Vehicle 11: 2020-2020 Triumph Tiger 1200 Alpine Edition Vehicle Type: MOTORCYCLES Body Style: OTHER Power Train: GAS				
Descriptive Information: The recall population was based upon a review of factory records.				
Production Dates: JAN 10, 2020 - JAN 20, 2020 VIN Range 1: Begin: SMTF42XB5LJ997241 End: SMTF42XB9LJ999168   Not sequential				
Vehicle 12: 2020-2020 Triumph Tiger 1200 Desert Edition Vehicle Type: MOTORCYCLES Body Style: OTHER Power Train: GAS				
Descriptive Information: The recall population was based upon a review of factory records.				
Production Dates: JAN 07, 2020 - JAN 21, 2020 VIN Range 1: Begin: SMTF43XB3LJ996370 End: SMTF43XB9LJ999466   Not sequential				

#### **Description of Defect:**

Description of the Defect: The front brake pads could have potential issues involving detachment of

brake pad friction material from the back plate, especially but not exclusively

when used in a corrosive environment.

As a consequence, the vehicle front brake performance could be compromised

in vehicles.

FMVSS 1: NR

FMVSS 2: NR

Description of the Safety Risk: In case of detachment of the front brake pads friction material from the back

plate, the distance between the braking plate and disc cannot be balanced with a single action on the brake master cylinder. As a consequence, potentially defective pads can lead to an inadequate deceleration of the vehicle. Systems assembled with unaffected brake pads maintain their required performance. However, there may be an increased risk of driver injury and/or vehicle damage even if only one brake has an affected brake

pad.

Description of the Cause: The supplier has advised that the root cause is linked to the following factors:

(i) high concentration of Nickel in the compound does not favor the sintering process on the back plate and consequently causes a reduction of the adhesive

area percentage;

(ii) high porosity of the compound that allows infiltration of salt and water at

the interface between the compound and back plate; and

(iii) micro cracks on the back plate copper surface which promote the penetration of salt and water. As a result, the level of corrosion of the brake pads is higher than the maximum acceptable and indicated in the related drawing. This may result in high corrosion of the brake pads and, as a consequence, the detachment from the back plate during vehicle use,

specifically in corrosive environment.

Identification of Any Warning

The failure may occur without any warning to the driver. that can Occur:

#### **Involved Components:**

Component Name 1: Brake pad

Component Description: Brake pad set, front (Brembo)

Component Part Number: T2021541

Component Name 2: Brake pad

Component Description: Brake pad set, front (Brembo)

Component Part Number: T2022475

#### **Supplier Identification:**

#### **Component Manufacturer**

Name: Brembo S.P.A. Address: via Brembo 25

Curno (Bergamo) FOREIGN STATES 24035

Country: Italy

### **Chronology:**

September 2019: Triumph informs Brembo of a single front brake pad friction material detachment event in the field. No injuries reported. Triumph request pad be returned for examination.

October 2019: Triumph despatches returned pad to Brembo. Brembo initiates failure investigation.

November 2019: Brembo provides the brake pad received from Triumph to the brake pad manufacturer in order to analyze the sample together with the brake pad for further examination and analysis including with reference to rust ratio test.

January 2020: Triumph informs Brembo of other 12 episodes of front brake pads friction material separation during vehicle use. No injuries reported. Brembo continues to support brake pad manufacturer in searching the root cause.

Jan to April 2020: Investigations continues. Closed: the root cause was identified as above (please refer to "Describe the cause" above).

Brake pad manufacturer informs Brembo that a world-wide safety recall campaign is necessary for all Tungaloy Pads manufactured since September 2016.

20th April 2020: Triumph informed by Brembo of recommendation to replace certain front brake pads in service.

#### **Description of Remedy:**

Description of Remedy Program: Owners will be instructed to bring their motorcycles to a Triumph dealer

to have the front brake pads replaced free of charge (parts and labour).

Triumph Safety Recall Action Notice 579 refers.

How Remedy Component Differs Triumph dealers will replace all the affected brake pads with replacement from Recalled Component: pads presenting an improvement of the interlayer with positive results from rust ratio testing. Tungaloy Corporation has tested these new brake pads according to the proper procedure of rust ratio test and advised that

the results are compliant with the tolerance threshold.

Identify How/When Recall Condition The condition was corrected in production on (date) at VIN (TBC) by use was Corrected in Production: of front brake caliper assemblies fitted with remedy condition brake pads.

#### **Recall Schedule:**

Description of Recall Schedule: TBC.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : NR - NR Planned Owner Notification Date : NR - NR

\* NR - Not Reported