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IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE (Interim Notice)

NHTSA Recall Number: 22V-739 School Bus NHTSA Recall Number: 22V-740 Non-School Bus

DATE: November 30, 2022

TO: U.S. DEALERS

SUBJECT: R22CB: 7.3L Gas Supply Line And Shifter Cable Interference

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

This important safety recall notice applies to your buses identified by both Blue Bird Body Number and Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) on the attached yellow cover sheet.

Blue Bird Body Company has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in:

- Certain model year 2022 through 2023 Blue Bird Vision School Buses
 - o manufactured from May 3, 2021 through June 16, 2022
- Certain model year 2022 through 2023 Blue Bird Vision Non-School Buses
 - manufactured from June 11, 2021 through February 25, 2022

On the subject buses, it has been determined that certain Blue Bird Vision (BBCV) School and Non-School Buses equipped with 7.3L gasoline powered engines have a potential for the transmission shift cable to have insufficient clearance to the gasoline fuel supply line at the left rear corner of the engine. The transmission shift cable may come in physical contact with the gasoline fuel line at the rear of the engine. This inadvertent contact could abrade the gasoline fuel line and cause potential leaks. Additionally, some units may be missing the heat shield bracket, which is used to secure the shift cable. Potential interference could cause leak(s) of pressurized gasoline within the approximate area of the hot surfaces of the engine and could increase risk of a fire.

Corrective Action:

To correct this condition, affected vehicles will need to be inspected and repaired, per R22CB Recall Instructions. The shift cable will need to be inspected and/or properly routed. The affected units will need to be inspected for this condition and possibly rerouted if any signs of a wear are observed. Blue Bird will reimburse the labor cost of the repair related to this recall at no cost to the Dealer or to the vehicle owner. You may request parts at campaignparts@blue-bird.com Parts will be available on or before January 24, 2023.

Labor Reimbursement:

Blue Bird will reimburse the labor cost of the repairs related to this recall at no cost to the Dealer or the vehicle owner. The standard repair time (SRT) to accomplish these repairs in accordance with the R22CB remedy procedure(s) is outlined below. The remedy would be comprised of Repair A, or Repair A in combination with Repair B, Repair C and/or Repair D based on the inspection findings.

Repair A: Inspection Only: 0.2 Hours (12 minutes)
Repair B: Re-routing Shift Cable: 0.3 Hours (18 minutes)

Repair C: Install Brackets: 0.3 Hours (18 minutes)

Repair D: Fuel Line Replacement: 0.7 Hours (42 minutes)



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Administering the Recall and Parts:

Parts to complete Recall R22CB will be available on or before January 24, 2023. You may request parts through campaignparts@blue-bird.com

If Blue Bird's records indicate bus(es) subject to this recall were delivered in your service area, a list of affected bus(es) will be enclosed. The bus(es) will be identified by Blue Bird Body Number and Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) on the enclosed yellow cover sheet. **Dealers should verify correct owners and assure that complete mailing and shipping addresses are provided for each listed owner.**

It is the dealer's responsibility to verify that the correct owner name, address, and telephone number is provided for each listed vehicle. Any corrections or updates should be made in ClaimsCenter. Addresses that cannot be updated should be forwarded to the Recall Administrator.

Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

Dealers are reminded of their responsibilities under Section 154 of The National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1991. Dealers are required to complete modifications on units in their inventory before delivering to the final owner. Reference Blue Bird Body Company Distributor Memo No. 42-92.

If you have in your possession or have sold a bus that was purchased from another dealer, that may be affected by this recall, please notify Lisa Hancock at 478-822-2242 or lisa.hancock@blue-bird.com Questions regarding this recall campaign should be directed to Lisa Hancock, as well.

Sincerely,

Lisa Hancock

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