

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

24V-024

Manufacturer Name : Winnebago Industries, Inc.

Submission Date : JAN 18, 2024

NHTSA Recall No. : 24V-024

Manufacturer Recall No. : 181



Manufacturer Information :

Manufacturer Name : Winnebago Industries, Inc.

Address : PO BOX 152
605 W. Crystal Lake Rd. Forest City IA
50436

Company phone : 1-641-585-3535

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 844

Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2021-2023 Winnebago Ekko

Vehicle Type :

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Certain model year 2021 - 2023 Winnebago Ekko motorhomes built with the suspect blind spot monitoring system are impacted.

The recall population was determined by identifying all Ekko's built with an ASA Voyager Blind Spot Monitoring Kit and removing units already repaired in Service Campaign 74-05. Units after the affected date were built using the Ford BLIS® System.

Production Dates : JAN 08, 2021 - JUN 08, 2023

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

☐ Not sequential

Description of Defect :

Description of the Defect : The blind spot monitoring system installed in certain Winnebago Ekko motorhomes may fail without warning to the driver.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : The affected vehicles are equipped with mirrors that provide adequate rear visibility for the driver. In some cases, however, the driver may rely solely on the blind spot monitoring system prior to making a lane change. In that situation, a non-functioning blind spot monitoring system that fails without a warning to the driver could increase the risk of an accident.

Description of the Cause : This condition is caused by improperly routed wires and unsealed terminal connections.

Identification of Any Warning There is no visible or audible alarm to alert the customer that the system is not that can Occur : functioning as intended.

Involved Components :

Component Name 1 : Blind Spot Monitoring System

Component Description : Kit-Blind Spot Monitor

Component Part Number : 34186701000

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name : ASA ELECTRONICS LLC

Address : 2602 Marina Dr
Elkhart Iowa 46514

Country : United States

Chronology :

In June of 2023, Winnebago opened an investigation on the blind spot monitoring system based on customer complaints, including some NHTSA VOQs. As a result of that investigation, in October of 2023, Winnebago preliminarily determined that the issue does not present an unreasonable risk to motor vehicle safety and initiated a customer satisfaction campaign to address customer concerns with a non-functioning blind spot monitoring system.

After continued discussions with NHTSA, ODI, and further assessment of the issue, on January 12, 2024, Winnebago decided to convert the previously released Service Campaign to a safety recall out of an abundance of caution and in order to improve awareness about the issue and remedy.

Winnebago is not aware of any accidents or injuries resulting from a malfunctioned blind spot monitoring system. Winnebago first became aware of this issue on or about September 2021.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Reimbursement requests will follow the general reimbursement plan on file with NHTSA.

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| How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : | The remedy component consists of a new blind spot monitoring system with correct wire routing and sealed terminal connections. |
| Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : | The recall condition was corrected in production by switching to the Ford BLIS® system |

Recall Schedule :

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| Description of Recall Schedule : | The recall schedule for notification will be within the 60 day requirement. |
| Planned Dealer Notification Date : | JAN 22, 2024 - JAN 22, 2024 |
| Planned Owner Notification Date : | FEB 16, 2024 - FEB 16, 2024 |

* NR - Not Reported