



U.S. Department of Transportation
**National Highway Traffic Safety
Administration**

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Washington, DC 20590

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NVS-215KS
13E-033

Subject: Backrest May Separate from Motorcycle

Dear Steven Hansen:

This letter serves to acknowledge Kuryakyn Holdings, LLC'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:

KURYAKYN/1660 BACKREST (CHROME)/9999
KURYAKYN/1661 BACKREST-BLACK/CHROM/9999

Mfr's Report Date: June 7, 2013

NHTSA Campaign Number: 13E-033

Components:

SEATS:MOTORCYCLE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 386

Problem Description:

Kuryakyn Holdings, LLC (Kuryakyn) is recalling certain model 1660 (chrome finish) motorcycle backrests manufactured from March 2012 to May 2013; and model 1661 (black and chrome finish) motorcycle backrests manufactured from August 2012 to May 2013. The backrest pivot screws may come loose and cause the backrest to separate from the motorcycle.

Consequence:

If the backrest separates while the motorcycle is in motion it could cause the rider to lose control and possibly fall off, increasing the risk of injury. Additionally, the separated backrest may be a road hazard.

Remedy:

Kuryakyn will notify customers and instruct them to visit their nearest motorcycle dealer to have replacement screws installed. The service will be done at no cost to the owner. The recall began on June 13, 2013. Owners may contact Kuryakyn at 1-866-296-4728.

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.

We have received Kuryakyn's proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), 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).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Kelly Schuler who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-5227, or by email at kelly.schuler@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jennifer Timian
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement