



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

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Mr. Kerry Legg
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New Flyer Industries Ltd.
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NVS-215KS
13V-487

Subject: Brake Circuit Supply Lines Installation/FMVSS 121

Dear Mr. Legg:

This letter serves to acknowledge New Flyer Industries Ltd.'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:

NEW FLYER/XD40/2013
NEW FLYER/XD60/2013
NEW FLYER/XDE40/2013
NEW FLYER/XN40/2013

Mfr's Report Date: September 30, 2013

NHTSA Campaign Number: 13V-487

Components:

SERVICE BRAKES, AIR

Potential Number of Units Affected: 119

Problem Description:

New Flyer Industries Ltd. (New Flyer) is recalling certain model year 2013 XD40 buses manufactured May 24, 2013, through September 5, 2013; model year 2013 XN40 buses manufactured April 18, 2013, through September 11, 2013; model year 2013 XD60 buses manufactured May 31, 2013, through September 5, 2013; and model year 2013 XDE40 buses manufactured on May 17, 2013. The color coded air lines to the E-6 brake treadle valve may have been installed incorrectly. Thus, these vehicles fail to conform to the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 121, "Air Brake Systems."

Consequence:

In the event of a loss of air supply pressure in the rear air reservoir, there would be a loss of service braking effect on both the front and rear axles, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

New Flyer has notified owners, and dealers will inspect, and correct the air line routing, as needed, free of charge. Owners may contact New Flyer at 1-204-982-8400. New Flyer's recall number is R13-023.

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.

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

It is our understanding that notification to owners began prior to our review of the owner notification letter. Should it become necessary for New Flyer to do a renotification, the follow-up notification must be submitted to this office for review and it must comply with the requirements of Part 577.5, "Notification pursuant to a manufacturer's decision" and Part 577.10, "Follow-up notification."

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,



Jennifer Timian
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Enforcement