

**INITIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF DEFECT INFORMATION  
REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. 00V-076 by the  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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PART 573 DATE: March 9, 2000

MANUFACTURER: Yamaha Motor Corporation, USA

MANUFACTURER CONTACT: Mr. Russell D. Jura, Senior Vice President  
And General Counsel

FAX: (714) 761-7302

SUBJECT: 17,146 Yamaha 1998-1999 YFZ-R1K, YFZ-R1KC, YFZ-R1L, and YFZ-R1LC and 1999-2000 YZF-R6L, YZF-R6LC, YZF-R6M, and YZF-R6MC motorcycles. The screws holding the sidestand switch can loosen and fall out due to engine heat and vibration. If this happens, it would be possible to ride the motorcycle with the sidestand in the down position.

This is an initial acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming shortly. After our review of your report and associated documents, we may have additional comments or concerns.

We have reviewed your draft owner/dealer notification letters and envelope format and they meet the requirements of Part 577.

As stated in Part 573.6, 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. As stated in your letter, owner notification is expected to begin during March 2000. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due in this office by April 30, 2000.

**NOTE: Please provide the beginning and ending manufacturing dates for these motorcycles.**

If you have any questions, please call:

*Patricia*

Patricia Wallace, Recall Analyst on (202) 366-5232  
or Jonathan White, Chief on (202) 366-5226  
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Recall Analysis Division

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Mr. Russell D. Jura  
Senior Vice President and General Counsel  
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Dear Mr. Jura:

We have reviewed Yamaha Motor Corporation, U.S.A.'s (Yamaha) Defect Information Report dated March 9, and additional information dated March 8, 2000, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports." This recall involves 17,146 Yamaha 1998-1999 YFZ-R1K, YFZ-R1KC, YFZ-R1L, and YFZ-R1LC and 1999-2000 YZF-R6L, YZF-R6LC, YZF-R6M, and YZF-R6MC motorcycles. The screws holding the sidestand switch can loosen and fall out due to engine heat and vibration. If this happens, it would be possible to ride the motorcycle with the sidestand in the down position. The assigned identification number for this recall is 00V-076.

Yamaha is responsible for the remedy of these motorcycles from this date forward, regardless of vehicle age, mileage, or ownership.

#### Quarterly Status Reports

As stated in Part 573.6, 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. As stated in your letter, owner notification began March 13, 2000. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due in this office by July 30, 2000.

#### Recall Communications

Communications pertaining to safety recalls and issued by Yamaha to more than one distributor, dealer, purchaser, or owner are to be submitted to this office within 5 days of issuance as described under 49 CFR Part 573.5(c)(9). Where this information is sent over a period time, the communications are to be submitted within 5 days from the date the communications were first sent, and furnish the date, or range of dates, each communication was issued. This includes information transmitted by computer, telefax, or other electronic means; and initial or interim communications. All copies are to be in readable form and a written transcript should be provided for each non-written communication. Also, if the communication was not nationally and uniformly distributed, then identify the criteria used for the distribution.

### **Manufacturer Communications**

Part 573.8, "Notices, Bulletins and Other Communications," requires that every motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment manufacturer shall furnish a copy of **all notices, bulletins, and other communications (including warranty and policy extension communiques and product improvement bulletins)** to manufacturers, distributors, dealers, or purchasers, regarding any defect in its vehicle or items of equipment (including any failure or malfunction beyond normal deterioration in use, any failure of performance, or any flaw or unintended deviation from design specifications), **whether or not such defect is safety related**. These notices or communications are to be submitted, regardless of the media used to transmit the information. Where communications are made orally or electronically, provide a transcript. In all other cases, provide the information in the media form used to transmit the information. On a case by case basis, we may require written transcripts of this material as well. Copies are to be submitted monthly, not more than 5 working days after the end of each month.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Pat Wallace at (202) 366-5232 or fax at (202) 366-7882.

Sincerely,



Jonathan D. White, Chief  
Recall Analysis Division  
Office of Defects Investigation  
Safety Assurance