



September 2013

NHTSA Safety Recall 13V-400

TO: Winnebago Industries, Inc. Dealers
SUBJECT: Campaign #130 – Child Seat Tether

The National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act, as amended, provides that each vehicle which is subject to a recall campaign of this type must be adequately repaired within a reasonable time after the owner has tendered it for repair. A failure to adequately repair within 60 days after tender of a vehicle is prima facie evidence of failure to repair within a reasonable time.

If the condition is not adequately repaired within a reasonable time, the owners may be entitled to an identical or reasonably equivalent vehicle at no charge or to a refund of the purchase price less a reasonable allowance for depreciation.

To avoid having to provide these burdensome solutions, every effort must be made to promptly schedule an appointment with each owner and to repair their vehicle as soon as possible. As you will see in reading the enclosed copy of the letter which is being sent to owners, the owners are being instructed to contact Winnebago Industries, Inc. if you do not remedy the condition within five days of the mutually agreed upon service date. If the condition is not remedied within a reasonable time, they are instructed on how to contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

REASON FOR THIS RECALL

Winnebago Industries, Inc. has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists on certain 2013 and 2014 model year Winnebago Aspect[®] and Itasca Cambria[®] (Models 730C and 730J) motorhomes. These motorhomes were manufactured March 12, 2012 through May 31, 2013. The child seat tether is mounted in an improper position. This improper position does not allow the child seat to be used properly and in a collision, it will not allow the child seat to properly protect the occupant which may result in personal injury.

OWNER NOTIFICATION

Owners will be notified of this campaign on their vehicles by Winnebago Industries, Inc. For all units in your inventory, the notification will be mailed to you. **DO NOT DELIVER TO A CUSTOMER ANY SUBJECT UNIT UNTIL CORRECTIVE ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN.** Enclosed is a list of vehicles shipped to you.

DEALER CAMPAIGN RESPONSIBILITY

Dealers are to service all vehicles subject to this campaign at no charge to owners regardless of mileage, age of vehicle, or ownership from this time forward.

Whenever a vehicle subject to this campaign is taken into new or used vehicle inventory or it is in your dealership for service in the future, you should take the steps necessary to be sure the campaign correction has been made before reselling or releasing the vehicle. Owners of vehicles recently sold from your new vehicle inventory are to be contacted by the dealer and arrangements made to make the required correction according to instructions contained in this campaign.

INSTRUCTIONS TO PERFORM CAMPAIGN #130

Affected Models:

Certain 2013 and 2014 model year Winnebago Aspect and Itasca Cambria (Models 730C and 730J) motorhomes manufactured March 12, 2012 through May 31, 2013.

Repair Procedure:

Refer to instruction sheet for removal of the child seat tether.

Parts Information:

No parts are required to be ordered from Winnebago Industries, Inc. for completion of this recall.

REIMBURSEMENT

When the service has been completed, submit the labor amount and labor operation number listed below. Your repair order must be properly signed by both the dealer and the owner.

	<u>OPERATION NUMBER</u>	<u>TIME ALLOWANCE</u>
Child Seat Tether Removal	24300101	0.7

Thank you for your cooperation.

Winnebago Industries, Inc.
Forest City, Iowa 50436

Enclosures



IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

This notice applies to your vehicle.

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BODY SERIAL
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Dear Owner:

This notice is being sent to you in accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Our records indicate that you have purchased a vehicle with the serial number which appears above.

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WHAT WE WILL DO

Winnebago Industries, Inc. dealers will remove the child seat tether at no charge to you.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO

Do not use the child seat tether.

Please contact your Winnebago Industries, Inc. dealer immediately to arrange for an appointment. The labor time necessary to perform this correction will be approximately one hour. Please allow time for the dealer to process your vehicle.

Winnebago Industries, Inc. dealers are best equipped to obtain parts and provide service to ensure your vehicle is corrected as promptly as possible. HOWEVER, if you take your vehicle to the dealer on the agreed date and he does not service this condition on that date or within five days, we recommend you contact Winnebago Industries, Inc., Attn.: Owner Relations Representative (641-585-6939). If you are still unable to obtain such service without charge to you and within a reasonable time, you may contact The Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E., Washington, DC 20590 or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153) or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

IF YOU HAVE PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR THIS REPAIR

If you have paid to remedy this issue, you may be eligible for a refund. To obtain information on a refund, contact Winnebago Industries[®] Owner Relations by email at or@winnebagoind.com or write us at Owner Relations Department, P.O. Box 152, Forest City, Iowa 50436 or by telephone at (641) 585-6939 or (800) 537-1885.

IF YOU HAVE CHANGED ADDRESS OR SOLD THE VEHICLE

If you have changed address or sold or traded your vehicle, please let us know by contacting Winnebago Industries Owner Relations by email at or@winnebagoind.com or in writing at Owner Relations Department, P.O. Box 152, Forest City, Iowa 50436 or by telephone at (641) 585-6939 or (800) 537-1885.

Presentation of this letter to the service center will assist in making the necessary correction to your vehicle in the shortest possible time.

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

We are sorry to cause you this inconvenience; however, we have taken this action in the interest of your safety and continued satisfaction with our products. This letter does not constitute an acknowledgment of legal liability.

Winnebago Industries, Inc.
Forest City, Iowa 50436

Enclosure



INSTRUCTIONS TO PERFORM CAMPAIGN 130

Models Affected:

Certain 2013 and 2014 model year Winnebago® Aspect and Itasca® Cambria models 730C and 730J motorhomes.

These motor homes were manufactured March 12, 2012 through May 31, 2013.

Tools Required:

- Screw Gun (w/#2 Phillips Magnetic Tip)



• Cutting Wheel

or



Bolt Cutter



• Die Grinder

- Black Touch-up Paint (from shop supplies)
- Protective Material

Procedure:

Remove child seat tether from the rear facing, front dinette seat.

1. Slide passenger seat all the way forward.
2. Place protective material on the back of the dinette seat back and floor area surrounding the tether anchor to prevent damage.



3. Using a screw gun with a magnetic tip, locate and remove the screws from the slideout floor carpet surrounding the child tether anchor.



4. Pull carpet up and secure in the upward position away from the tether anchor.



5. Use a cutting wheel or bolt cutters to cut-off the protruding portion of the tether. Smooth the edges of the remaining bracket using the cutting wheel or a die grinder. *NOTE: If using the cutting wheel or die grinder, it may be necessary to use additional protective material.*



(Cutting Wheel shown)



(Bolt Cutter shown)

6. Apply black touch-up paint (from shop supplies) to the cut ends of the remaining bracket to prevent rust.



7. Reinstall the carpet.



8. Remove protective material. Clean and vacuum any filings within the coach.