

NHTSA SAFETY RECALL NO 13V-343

	PRODUCT SAFETY RECALL
First Notice Frame Cross-Member Relocation Kit (IK00-1851)	

September 25, 2013

VIA USPS CERTIFIED/REGISTERED MAIL

Dear R9X12T Owner:

Model:	R9X12T
Serial No:	1VRB533B9D1000121

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the U.S. National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Vermeer has decided that a defect, that relates to motor vehicle safety, manufactured build date January 31, 2010 through build date July 2, 2013 Vermeer R9X12T.

According to our records, you currently own a Vermeer R9X12T Reclaimer. The Model and Serial Number of the R9X12T is shown at the top right of this letter. If you no longer own this unit, please notify the Product Safety Department at:

Toll Free: 800-829-0051, extension 7060

Telephone: 641-621-7060

E-mail: productsafety@vermeer.com

If possible, please provide the name and address of the new owner.

BRAKE LINE FAILURE MAY OCCUR

The design of the R9X12T rear axle did not provide adequate clearance between the frame cross-member and the air brake lines. If the air brake lines are damaged, the brakes will not work properly. A partial or complete loss of trailer braking capability may occur, increasing the risk of a crash.

DEATH OR SERIOUS INJURY POSSIBLE

If trailer braking capability is reduced or lost, loss of vehicle control may result while towing on a public highway. **Death or serious injury is possible.** Property or equipment damage is also possible.

IMMEDIATE MACHINE MODIFICATIONS REQUIRED

IK00-1851 has been created to provide the necessary parts and instructions to relocate the frame cross-member. **This kit must be installed as soon as possible.**

Please contact your authorized, independent **Vermeer dealer** immediately to arrange a mutually acceptable time and location to install IK00-1851 **at no cost** to you for labor or materials. The installation of this kit is estimated at 6 hours of labor. If the Vermeer dealer travels to the unit to install the kit, costs may be incurred by the owner. **You must have your machine upgraded for these safety features.**

Contact your local Vermeer Dealer: VERMEER SE S & S - JACKSONVILLE
11550 PHILLIPS HWY
JACKSONVILLE FL 32256
UNITED STATES

Telephone: 904-262-4400

We regret any inconvenience that these corrective measures may cause you. The required work is for the safety of the towing vehicle occupants and other drivers and passengers traveling on the public roadways. We hope that you agree that the safety benefits surpass the inconvenience.

Very truly yours,

PRODUCT SAFETY DEPARTMENT

Federal regulations require that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten (10) days.

If the authorized dealer has failed or is unable to remedy the defect without charge and within a reasonable time, contact Vermeer Product Safety by email at productsafety@vermeer.com or by calling 800-829-0051 or 641-621-7060. You may also submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, D.C. 20590 or call the Vehicle Safety Hotline at 888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>