



R15YC

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

NHTSA RECALL NO. 15V136 SCHOOL BUS

DATE: April 2, 2015
TO: U.S. Dealers
SUBJECT: Recall R15YC: C E White Quasi-Static Gusset Fasteners
FMVSS 210: Seat Belt Assembly Anchorages (Non-Compliance)

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

Blue Bird Body Company has decided that certain 2013 through 2016 model year All American and Vision model school buses manufactured from June 9, 2012 through September 30, 2014 may fail to conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 210, "Seat Belt Assembly Anchorages" at the seat gusset reinforcement to the side wall attachment.

On the subject buses, incorrect fasteners may have been installed to secure the seat gusset reinforcement to the side wall resulting in a non-compliance with FMVSS 210.

Buses with this non-compliance must be corrected immediately according to the enclosed instructions for Recall R15YC.

If our records indicate bus(es) subject to this recall were delivered in your service area, a listing identifying affected bus(es) by Blue Bird Body Number and VIN is enclosed. **Dealers should verify correct owners and assure that complete mailing and shipping addresses are provided for each listed owner.**

If you have in your possession or have sold a bus that was purchased from another dealer that may be affected by this recall, please notify me at 478-822-2242 or lisa.hancock@blue-bird.com.

Affected bus(es) must be inspected according to Recall R15YC Instructions for proper mounting fasteners securing the seat gusset reinforcement to the side wall.

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After inspection, if needed, parts to complete Recall R15YC, must be obtained from Blue Bird Recall Administration via e-mail. Please scan a copy of the white Inspection Reply Sheet and e-mail to campaignparts@blue-bird.com . Parts are anticipated to be available on or about April 17, 2015. Owners are being advised to contact their local dealer or to return the yellow cover sheet and white Inspection Reply Sheet with the correct shipping address indicated to receive parts.

Labor time to visually inspect for correct fasteners is 0.1 hours (6 minutes) per bus.

Labor time to add bracket and fasteners is 0.1 hour (6 minutes) per seat.

For repairs performed by 'the Blue Bird Dealer', the Dealer may submit 'Campaign-type' claims in ClaimsCenter (a.k.a. iWarranty) for labor reimbursement. When submitting claims for inspection only (no seats had to be repaired), Dealers shall select the first labor operation for 0.1 hour labor allowance. When submitting claims for labor for inspection and repair to one or more seats in a bus, the Dealer shall enter the quantity of seats in the 'Work Authorization Code' field of the claim, then enter the actual labor hours in the labor section, not to exceed 0.1 hour per seat repaired plus 0.1 hour per bus for inspection. For repairs performed by 'other than the Blue Bird Dealer', the Owner's recall notification letter includes a reply sheet that the Owner can send to Blue Bird Recall Administration for reimbursement of labor costs to the Owner.

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

Dealers are reminded of their responsibilities under Section 154 of The National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1991. Dealers are required to complete modifications on units in their inventory before delivering to the final owner. Reference Blue Bird Body Company Distributor Memo No. 42-92.

Questions regarding this recall campaign should be directed to me at (478) 822-2242 or lisa.hancock@blue-bird.com.

Sincerely,

Lisa Hancock

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Corporate Recall Administrator
Blue Bird Body Company