OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

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# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

## 25V-228

Manufacturer Name: Oshkosh Corporation

**Submission Date:** APR 10, 2025 NHTSA Recall No.: 25V-228

Manufacturer Recall No.: NR



#### **Manufacturer Information:**

## **Population:**

Manufacturer Name: Oshkosh Corporation

Number of potentially involved: 469

Address: 2307 Oregon Street

Estimated percentage with defect: 43 %

PO Box 2566 Oshkosh WI 54903-2566

Company phone: 920-235-9151

#### Vehicle Information:

Vehicle 1: 2024-2025 Oshkosh S-Series

Vehicle Type: BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style: ALL Power Train: DIESEL

Descriptive Information: The recall population includes Oshkosh S-Series vehicles produced with a front axle

that may not be of sufficient thickness in certain areas. The recall population is based on production records. Vehicles outside the recall population were produced with

front axles that meet thickness specifications.

Production Dates: JUN 11, 2024 - FEB 27, 2025

VIN Range 1 : Begin : NR End: NR

### **Description of Defect:**

Description of the Defect: The front axle housing wall thickness may not be sufficient in certain areas.

FMVSS 1: NR FMVSS 2: NR

Description of the Safety Risk: If the front axle housing wall thickness is not sufficient, it may not be robust

enough to support a fully loaded vehicle under hard suspension loading or harsh braking. In this situation, the front axle could fail without warning,

increasing the risk of a crash.

Description of the Cause: Wear in the core box tool used by the supplier during production caused the

casting core to grow, resulting in axle housing wall thickness to be thinner in

certain areas than designed.

Identification of Any Warning None

that can Occur:

## **Involved Components:**

Component Name 1: Front Axle

Component Description: Front Axle housing

Component Part Number: 4462851

## **Supplier Identification:**

#### **Component Manufacturer**

Name: Precision Rail and Mfg

Address: 6960 S 10th st

Oak Creek Wisconsin 53154

**Country: United States** 

## **Chronology:**

On February 27, 2025, Oshkosh was informed by its axle supplier that it had discovered areas of the casting used to create the front axle that did not conform to wall thickness requirements which may have led to some axles having wall thickness not being produced to specification. The supplier advised Oshkosh that it had discovered this issue following an increasing rejection rate of parts within its general inspection process. Following this notification, beginning in March 2025, Oshkosh conducted an engineering analysis to understand the potential effects on a vehicle produced with a front axle housing wall with reduced thickness. Oshkosh's analysis indicated that some wall thickness reduction in the areas identified by the supplier still meets all standard design load cases, but could impact the performance of the axle in cases of extreme loading. While Oshkosh is not aware of any reported failures of the front axle due to the wall thickness being insufficient, on April 4, 2025 Oshkosh made the decision to go to the field with a safety recall to address affected units. Oshkosh has no warranty claims, customer complaints or other reports potentially related ot this issue.

#### **Description of Remedy:**

Description of Remedy Program: Oshkosh will direct customers to call to set up an appointment to have

their axle inspected by ultrasonic thickness tester to determine if the front axle housing wall thickness meets specifications. Front axles with

thickness not meeting thresholds determined by analysis will be replaced,

free of charge.

How Remedy Component Differs Replacement front axles housings will have sufficient wall thickness to

from Recalled Component: support heavier vehicle loads.

Identify How/When Recall Condition Stop ship was implemented in February 2025 and front axles located was Corrected in Production: within Oshkosh's facility were inspected to determine if they meet wall thickness requirements prior to sending to customers. Axles produced by the supplier after February 2025 are not impacted by this condition.

#### **Recall Schedule:**

Description of Recall Schedule: Notifications to customers will be made via a customer letter. The 577

customer letter will be mailed pending NHTSA approval. Oshkosh does not distribute vehicles through dealers. Requests for reimbursements for pre-recall remedies will be handled in accordance with Oshkosh's general

reimbursement policy.

Planned Dealer Notification Date: NR - NR

Planned Owner Notification Date: JUN 03, 2025 - JUN 03, 2025

<sup>\*</sup> NR - Not Reported