

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

25V423

Manufacturer Name: Forest River, Inc.

Submission Date: Jun 20, 2025

NHTSA Recall No.: 25V423

Manufacturer Recall No.: 220-1941

Manufacturer Information

Population

Manufacturer Name: Forest River, Inc.

Address: 55470 CR 1

P.O. Box 3030

Elkhart IN, 46515-3030

Total number of potentially involved: 12

Estimated percentage with defect: 100%

Vehicle Information

Vehicle 1: 2026-2026 Forest River Spirit

Product Category: Trailers

Product Type: Recreational Trailers

Fuel / Propulsion:

Production Dates: May 07, 2025 - May 15, 2025

Number of potentially involved: 12

Descriptive Information:

The scope was determined using manufacturing records.

Defect / Noncompliance Description

Description of the defect or noncompliance:

The safety chains my not meet the Gross Vehicle Weight Rating ("GVWR") that is listed on the Federal Placard.

FMVSS1:

FMVSS2:

Description of the safety risk, including crash, fire, death, injury:

If the vehicle was to detach from the hitch the safety chains may not be sufficient to hold the travel trailer increasing the risk of a crash.

Description of the cause:

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Supplier/Vendor Error

Identification of any warning that can occur:

None

Component Manufacturer

Tier of Supplier:

Supplier Type:

Name:

Address:

Country:

Involved Components

Component Name 1: 7,600 lbs. Safety Chains
Component Description: 7,600 lbs. Safety Chains

Component Part Number: N/A

Chronology

On June 17, 2025, during a routine Corporate Standards Audit, the concern was identified in the manufacturing plant. Forest River's Office of Corporate Compliance ("OCC") was notified the same day. OCC asked the manufacturing plant to contact dealers that had inventory of the particular model and identify the safety chain ratings.

On June 18, 2025, OCC opened a research item into the concern. OCC and the manufacturing plant met and began to confirm the vehicles involved. The manufacturing plants' contact records revealed the most recent manufacturing run was affected.

On June 20, 2025, Forest River's Corporate Committee voted to recall. All vehicles are located at Dealers and a Stop Sale Notice is being issued today.

Related NHTSA Recall Number:

Description of Remedy

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Remedy Type: Replace
Consumer Advisories: Do Not Drive Park Outside
Description of remedy program:
Forest River will provide all parts and labor free of charge to Consumers and Dealers. An authorized Forest River dealer will need to perform the remedy to replace the 7,600 lbs. safety chains with 11,700 lbs. safety chains.
What is the Forest River Customer Service Phone Number? (574) 825-8519
If you have already paid for a repair that is within the scope of this defect under recall, you still need to have this recall inspected and/or performed to ensure the correct parts and procedures were utilized. Additionally, you may be eligible for a refund of previously paid repairs. Refunds will only be provided for within the scope of this defect under recall. Please send the service invoice to the following address:
Spirit 423 N Main St. Middlebury, IN 465440
How remedy component differs from recalled component:
Affected Component – 7,600 lbs. Safety Chains Replacement Component – 11,700 lbs. Safety Chains
The safety chains will now be rated for the Gross Vehicle Weight Rating ("GVWR").
Identify how/when recall condition was corrected in production:
During the week of June 16, 2025, the supplier, Lippert, began changing affected safety chains in the holding yard at the manufacturing plant to match what the original chassis drawing designated, a 11,700 lbs. safety chains

Reimbursement Plan

Manufacturer used general reimbursement plan on file.

Recall Schedule

Description of recall schedule:

Forest River has the utmost urgency in our recalls. Forest River will send suspected VIN numbers to our third party vendor that is licensed to pull data on the current owner of the vehicles (as needed) once a formal NHTSA I.D. is provided. Forest River intends on pushing the mailing out as soon as NHTSA provides any correction(s) and an Acknowledgement Letter.

Planned Dealer Notification Date: Jul 30, 2025 - Jul 30, 2025 Planned Interim Owner Notification Date: Planned Remedy Owner Notification Date: □ Phased Recall

Date when VIN will be searchable: