



U.S. Department  
of Transportation

National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration

## Part 573 Safety Recall Report

## 25V429

**Manufacturer Name:** Great Dane Trailers

**Submission Date:** Jun 26, 2025

**NHTSA Recall No.:** 25V429

**Manufacturer Recall No.:**

### Manufacturer Information

### Population

**Manufacturer Name:** Great Dane Trailers

**Address:** 602 E Lathrop Avenue  
Savannah GA, 31415

**Total number of potentially involved:** 444

**Estimated percentage with defect:** 1%

### Vehicle Information

**Vehicle 1:** 2026-2026 GREAT DANE CHAMPION

**Product Category:** Trailers

**Product Type:**

**Fuel / Propulsion:**

**Production Dates:** Feb 07, 2025 - Jun 13, 2025

**Number of potentially involved:** 444

#### Descriptive Information:

Great Dane has determined that certain 2026 model year Champion dry van trailers built in our Terre Haute IN, manufacturing facility have roll up door operator bolts that did not get torqued properly. Great Dane's investigation found that this defect began occurring once the plant began using ratcheting spring winders. After discovery of the defect Great Dane implemented corrective actions that included new processes and verifications on the assembly line, as well as inspecting and correcting completed trailers prior to leaving our manufacturing facility.

### Defect / Noncompliance Description

#### Description of the defect or noncompliance:

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**FMVSS1:**

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## FMVSS2:

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

This defect could lead to rapid, unintended roll up door closure, a door that will not close, or is difficult to open, and may increase the likelihood of severe injury or death.

### Description of the cause:

Great Dane did not torque the bolts correctly.

### Identification of any warning that can occur:

The roll up door may become more difficult to open or close.

## Component Manufacturer

**Tier of Supplier:** Tier 1

**Supplier Type:** OEM

**Name:** Whiting

**Address:** 113 Cedar St  
Akron NY, 14001

**Country:** United States

**Tier of Supplier:** Tier 1

**Supplier Type:** OEM

**Name:** TransGlobal Doors

**Address:** 500 N Warpole St  
Upper Sandusky OH, 43351

**Country:** United States

## Involved Components

**Component Name 1:** Roll up Door Operator

**Component Description:** RUD, WHTG 0.50 PRMP WHT B22644B

**Component Part Number:** 42515709

**Component Name 2:** Roll up Door Operator

**Component Description:** RUD, TRNS 0.25 EDTY WHT WINDER

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**25V429****Component Part Number:** 42515516

## Chronology

June 13, 2025 Great Dane Quality notified Warranty and Engineering that they discovered an issue with operator bolt torque

June 16, 2025 Meeting to discuss internal investigation findings

June 17, 2025 Great Dane Manufacturing defined the affected time frame for the suspect population

June 23, 2025 Great Dane Manufacturing confirmed the suspect population count

June 23, 2025 Filed Initial Notice of Defect with the NHTSA

**Related NHTSA Recall Number:**

## Description of Remedy

**Remedy Type:** Repair**Consumer Advisories:** ☐ Do Not Drive ☐ Park Outside**Description of remedy program:**

Great Dane will pay authorized Great Dane Branches and Dealers to retorque roll up door operator bolts on affected trailers. This repair will be covered under Great Dane's standard warranty.

**How remedy component differs from recalled component:**

The bolts will be properly torqued.

**Identify how/when recall condition was corrected in production:**

Production was corrected through new processes and additional verification on the manufacturing floor that were implemented June 13, 2025.

## Reimbursement Plan

**Description of reimbursement program:**

Repairs will be covered under warranty. Customers will be reimbursed for any repairs that took place prior to the recall.

**Period of reimbursement:****Costs to be reimbursed:**

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**25V429****Address for reimbursement claims:**

PO Box 67  
Savannah GA, 31402

## Recall Schedule

**Description of recall schedule:**

All notices will be mailed by August 22, 2025

**Planned Dealer Notification Date:** Aug 22, 2025 - Aug 22, 2025

☐ No Dealers

**Planned Interim Owner Notification Date:**

☐ No Owners

**Planned Remedy Owner Notification Date:** Aug 22, 2025 - Aug 22, 2025

☐ Phased Recall

**Date when VIN will be searchable:**