

FRONT WHEEL AND AXLE / SHORTSTER MINICYCLE

Shortster minicycles have open slots in the front fork slider ends to receive the front wheel axle. The axle is held in place by the clamping action of the axle nuts only. Therefore, if the nuts are not secure, the front wheel can come off if the front wheel is raised above the ground, possibly causing an accident resulting in personal injury.

This condition will be corrected on later 1972 Shortsters above VIN 5C 11600 H2 by a change in fork slider construction.

To correct vehicles below this serial number in the field already delivered, dealer must order front axle retainers and self-locking nuts which prevent the front axle from coming out of the slot in the event axle nuts become loose.

In compliance with the National Motor Vehicle Safety laws which apply whenever a safety hazard exists, we are required to have you install the retainers and self-locking nuts on all Shortsters which do not have them. This includes all affected Shortsters previously delivered to your customers, those on your floor and those in transit.

We have previously notified all Shortster dealers by telegrams, dated September 22, 1971 and October 7, that this defect exists and that these vehicles should not be used until retainer kit, part No. 41556-72 is ordered from the factory and installed on each vehicle affected.

We are notifying all registered owners of affected vehicles in your dealership to contact you for this service. A list of registered owners is included with this bulletin. We urge you to immediately contact each of these owners as well as any other owners of the involved vehicles in your area that are not listed and make arrangements to install the retainer kit immediately.

A copy of the letter to the customer is enclosed for your information. Each letter to the owners will include special service card No. 014 which must be signed by the customer and you, the dealer, at the time service is performed.

Immediately after service has been performed, mail completed card to Harley-Davidson Motor Co., Inc., Attention Service Department, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53201.

You will receive \$1.50 credit per vehicle to cover parts, handling and labor for each properly completed Service Card returned.

Each kit contains parts and installation instructions with a service card which should be completed for the undelivered vehicles on which you install the kit.

ORDER YOUR KIT REQUIREMENTS IMMEDIATELY.

HARLEY-DAVIDSON MOTOR CO., INC.