

LIBERATOR FAIRING HANDLEBAR MOUNTING BOLTS / FL, FLH

All Harley-Davidson dealers were notified by Service Letter dated January 27, 1975 that an insecure assembly resulted from using 3 inch long handlebar mounting bolts, supplied with the Liberator Fairing, on 1972 and earlier FL/FLH models. The 3 inch bolts are satisfactory for use only on 1973 and later models.

The 3 inch bolts do not provide enough thread engagement on 1972 and earlier models and may strip out completely causing handlebar disconnection. This could result in loss of control of the motorcycle, possibly causing a traffic accident with personal injury.

In compliance with the National Motor Vehicle Safety Act, this has been declared a safety defect and requires the following corrective action:

1. All affected vehicles (1972 and earlier FL/FLH models) with short 3 inch bolts securing handlebars must be repaired by installing correct 3-1/2 inch bolts, part No. 93141. This is the responsibility of the selling dealers.
2. All Liberator Fairing Kits in dealer stock must be corrected by adding two 3-1/2 inch bolts with instruction sheet explaining use on 1972 and earlier models.

All fairing kits shipped after February 1975 will have a set of 3 inch bolts for 1973 and later models and the added set of 3-1/2 inch bolts for 1972 and earlier models.

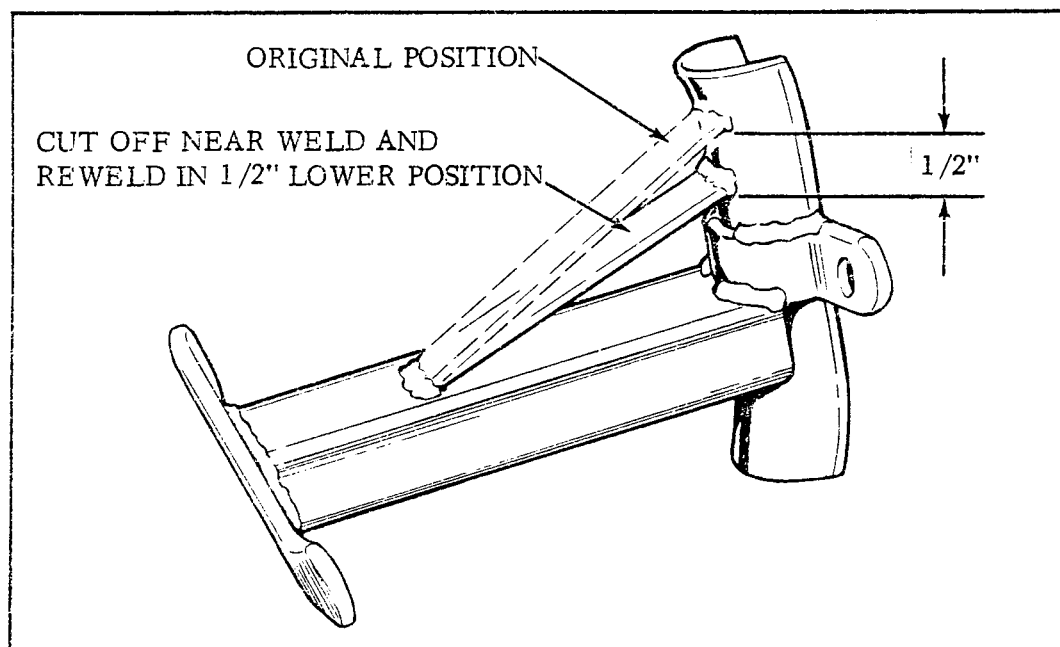
With the Service Letter dated January 27, 1975 initiating this program, we shipped two sets of these bolts to each dealer for immediate correction of customers' motorcycles. Also, as of that date, we sent a telegram to registered owners of fairings which were installed on 1972 and earlier models notifying them to contact their dealer immediately for service.

It is each dealers additional responsibility to contact owners of affected vehicles for which a Liberator Fairing registration card has not been returned to the factory by the dealer.

We are enclosing two special service cards 026 which must be completed and signed by you to verify that correction has been made for each Liberator Fairing. If you require additional cards, write to the Service Department stating quantity required. Additional 3-1/2 inch bolt kits required can be ordered under part No. 93141.

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NOTE: When installing any Liberator Fairing on 1972 and earlier models, the fairing support reinforcement strap should be checked for interference with the handlebar mounting bolts when handlebars are turned to left and right fork stop positions. To obtain necessary clearance, cut approximately 1/4 inch off frame head end of strap and re-weld in the lower position as shown in the illustration.



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