

REAR BRAKE PEDAL LEVER / 1975 SS-250

All Harley-Davidson dealers were notified by Service Letter dated May 2, 1975, that some early 1975 SS-250 motorcycles incorporate faulty welds in the rear brake pedal lever. The rear brake pedal pivot shaft to which the rear brake lever plate is welded, and which actuates the rear brake cable, may have improper weld penetration at the three fillet welds. Failure of the welds would make the rear brake inoperative, possibly causing an 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:

All affected vehicles in numerical order between V.I.N. 9E 56065 H5 and V.I.N. 9E 57634 H5 must be corrected by replacing the existing part No. 45038-75P with a new correct assembly, or repairing the existing assembly by rewelding according to instructions contained in this bulletin.

A list of registered owners and a list of unregistered vehicles involved in this campaign which have been delivered to your dealership are included with this bulletin. It is your responsibility to make directed changes on all affected vehicles, and to contact owners of affected vehicles which you have sold but which are not shown on enclosed lists. We are notifying registered owners of affected motorcycles sold by your dealership to contact you for this service.

We are enclosing a copy of the customer letter for your information. Each letter to the registered owner will include Dealer Service Card 027, which must be completed and signed by both the customer and you, the dealer, to verify that service has been satisfactorily completed.

We are also enclosing sufficient blank Dealer Service Cards for the number of affected vehicles delivered to your dealership, but for which we have not as yet received an owner registration card. These must be processed in the same way except that you will fill in the required information, including vehicle V.I.N., and sign as both owner and dealer.

Our initial notification letter of May 2, 1975 suggested immediate repair of units already delivered, and stated that new correct parts would be made available as soon as possible.

The correct parts are now available from the factory, and we are enclosing a special order blank for you to immediately order your requirements of part No. 45038-75P, Rear Brake Lever Assy. Dealer net price per part will be charged in the regular way. In making this correction, you have the option of either repair or replacement, however, if acceptable, welding equipment and a qualified welder are not available, you should replace the lever with a new one.

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Immediately after service is performed, complete and return Service Cards 027. Be sure to mark the appropriate box labeled "Repair ☐ " which includes removing, welding and reinstalling, or "Replace ☐ " which includes removing old lever and reinstalling a new correctly welded factory lever. MARK ONE BOX ONLY!

You will receive credit for dealer net price of each new part properly installed plus "Replace" labor credit of \$3.20 OR "Repair" labor credit of \$4.80 for removing, welding and replacing each existing part.

Do not return any replaced levers to the factory. These incorrectly welded levers should be destroyed so that they cannot be reused.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR WELDING BRAKE LEVER

Make three satisfactory new welds between existing three welds as shown in the illustration. Use arc welding equipment or oxy-acetylene equipment with welding rod, suitable for welding low carbon steel to produce good weld penetration between the lever plate and the shaft.

