

SAFETY RECALL 073

XLH-FXR UPPER MOUNTING BOLT, FRONT BRAKE CALIPER

General

Harley-Davidson has become aware the possibility exists that the upper mounting bolt on the front brake caliper(s) might develop a fracture during normal motorcycle use. Despite the fracture of a mounting bolt, the front brake will remain functional on these motorcycles. If a mounting bolt would fracture, the bolts mating threaded bushing might gradually move out of position and make contact with the spokes of the motorcycle's front wheel. If this condition were to occur, the motorcycle's front wheel might suddenly lock up.

As a precautionary measure, Harley-Davidson recently elected to initiate a voluntary recall in the interest of motor vehicle safety. The potential problem will be remedied by replacing the upper mounting bolt(s) on the potentially affected motorcycles.

This recall applies to late production 1987, all 1988-1989, and early 1990 production XLH and FXR model motorcycles manufactured at our York Pennsylvania assembly plant, from August 6, 1987 through September 19, 1989.

We have attached a list that contains both registered owners of vehicles and unregistered vehicles delivered to your dealership which are involved in this campaign. To ensure the safety of all affected riders, it is your responsibility to perform the required service on all potentially affected vehicles even if the motorcycle was not purchased from your dealership. We are enclosing sufficient blank Dealer Service Cards for those vehicles. If necessary, additional cards are available through the Harley-Davidson Service Department.

WARNING

Because only registered owners as shown on the attached list will receive notification from us, we request that you contact any owners of vehicles still listed as unregistered. Advise them of the safety recall and make arrangements for them to come in for recall service. We also require that you provide us with their names addresses and VIN's as soon as possible to enable us to mail them an owner's letter as required by the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act as amended.

If you are not sure that a safety recall has been completed

on a particular motorcycle contact the Harley-Davidson Recall Information Line at 1-800-448-1708 for a computer check of our recall records.

An initial shipment of (40) upper mounting bolts, Kit Number 93630 will begin on November 9, 1990. All code 073 kits will be shipped no charge, transportation paid. Once you have received your automatic shipment, carefully calculate your remaining requirements and order them on the attached green order form. Code 073 kits ordered on this form will also be sent no charge, transportation paid.

Replacement Procedure

1. See Figure 1. Remove upper bolt (1) attaching caliper to fork lug. Save washer (2), for later installation, and bolt (1) for return.

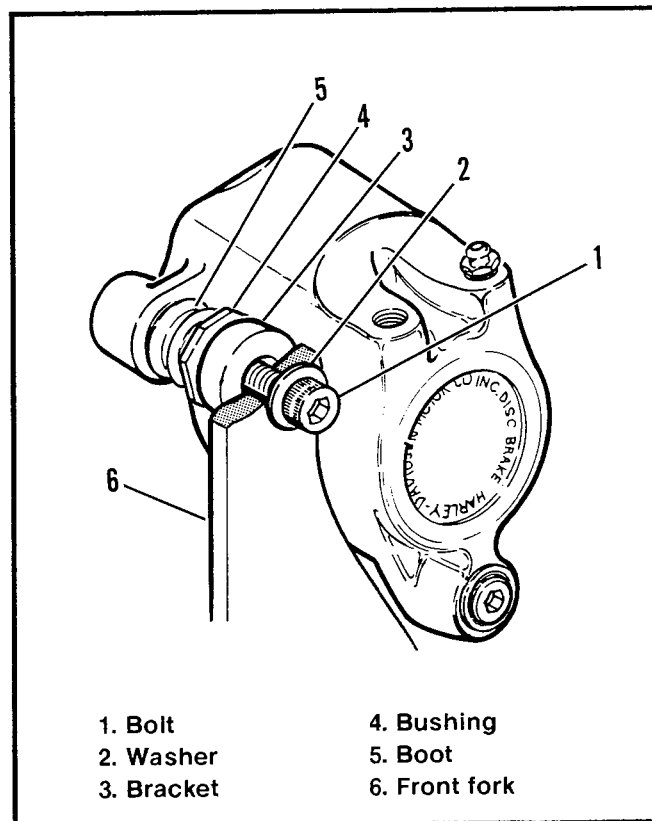


Figure 1. Front Caliper Mounting

ROUTING	SERVICE MANAGER	SALES MANAGER	PARTS MANAGER	LEAD TECHNICIAN	TECHNICIAN NO. 1	TECHNICIAN NO. 2	TECHNICIAN NO. 3	TECHNICIAN NO. 4	RETURN THIS TO
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2. Place original washer (2) on new bolt (1), from kit and insert through fork lug (6), bracket (3) and thread into internal threads of bushing (4). Tighten bolt (1) to 25-30 ft-lbs torque. Check front brake to ensure proper operation. If vehicle is equipped with dual caliper brakes, repeat procedure at second caliper.

Credit Procedure

1. After servicing each vehicle be sure to completely fill out the special Dealer Service Card provided. For each vehicle serviced place a "C" in the Letter box and a "1" in the Quantity box for motorcycles equipped with a single front caliper. For dual caliper motorcycles, place a (2) in the Quantity Box. Fill in your Dealer account Number, the Service code 073,

the Vehicle Identification Number and your Dealership name and address along with the owner information if blank.

2. Package the original upper mounting bolt(s) along with the properly completed Dealer Service Card.
3. Attach a return address P-label, Form Number 1248 to the outside of the package.
4. Upon receipt of each replaced mounting bolt(s) and the properly completed Dealer Service Card, you will be credited for return postage along with 0.1 hours for each completion. The time allowance includes dealer administrative time. Credit will not be issued for parts as they were shipped no charge transportation paid.