

SERVICE BULLETIN

M-1087

Noncompliance Recall Code 097

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1997 AND 1999 MT 500 LABELS

General

Harley-Davidson has determined that certain 1997 and 1999 MT 500 model motorcycles fail to conform to the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS).

More specifically, the certification label as required by FMVSS 571.120 section 5.3 was omitted from the motorcycle, the brake fluid reservoirs are not labeled in conformance with FMVSS 571.122 section 5.1.2.2, the choke lever is not labeled in conformance with FMVSS 5.2.3 and the Owners manual does not contain the proper owner notification as specified in 49CFR 575.6, including the information giving the consumer the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's name, address and phone number.

Three other labels are included in this recall; the EPA Certification, Oil Tank Fill and Safety Precautions labels. Although the Oil Tank Fill and Safety Precautions labels are not mandated, Harley-Davidson considers them important and they are to be affixed to the vehicle.

Dealer Action

Included with this bulletin is a package containing the appropriate amount of each label needed to update the vehicles shipped to your dealership. A complete list of all affected vehicles, registered and unregistered, is also included. All registered owners will be sent a notification letter advising them to come in and have the required labels affixed to their vehicles.

Instructions

In order to meet federal regulations, informational labels must be placed on the motorcycle in various locations. The labels affected are as follows:

1. Vehicle Identification Number. See Figure 1
2. EPA Certification Label. See Figure 3.
3. Choke Lever Label. See Figure 5.
4. Oil Tank Fill Label. See Figure 7.
5. Front Brake Fluid Reservoir Cover. See Figure 9.
6. Rear Brake Fluid Reservoir Cover Label. See Figure 11.
7. Safety Precautions Label. See Figure 14.

CAUTION

Carefully align label as shown in its location figure. Once attached, the label cannot be removed without damage. **DO NOT** cover the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN). Do not place labels in positions other than those shown in the figures.

NOTE

Certain vehicles have some of the required labels already applied. As these are very difficult to remove, the new labels are to be placed over them.

Vehicle Identification Number Label

1. Clean frame surface at location shown in Figure 2.
2. See Figure 1. Remove adhesive backing from new label. Affix new label in the position shown in Figure 2.

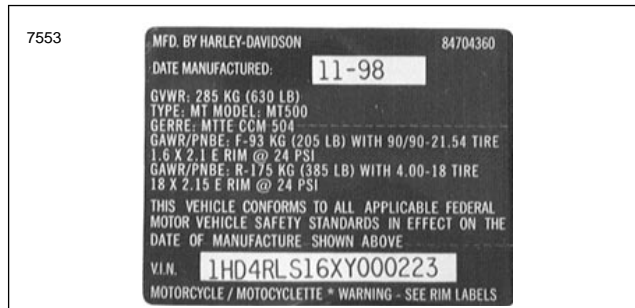


Figure 1. VIN Number Label

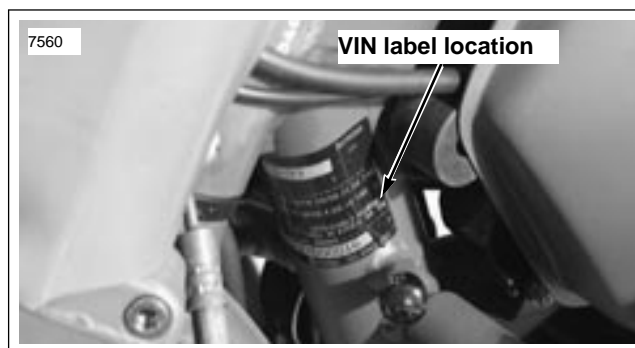


Figure 2. VIN Number Label Location

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EPA Certification Label

1. See Figure 4. Clean the certification label already in place and the area surrounding it.
2. See Figure 3. Remove adhesive backing from new label. Affix new label in the position shown in Figure 4.

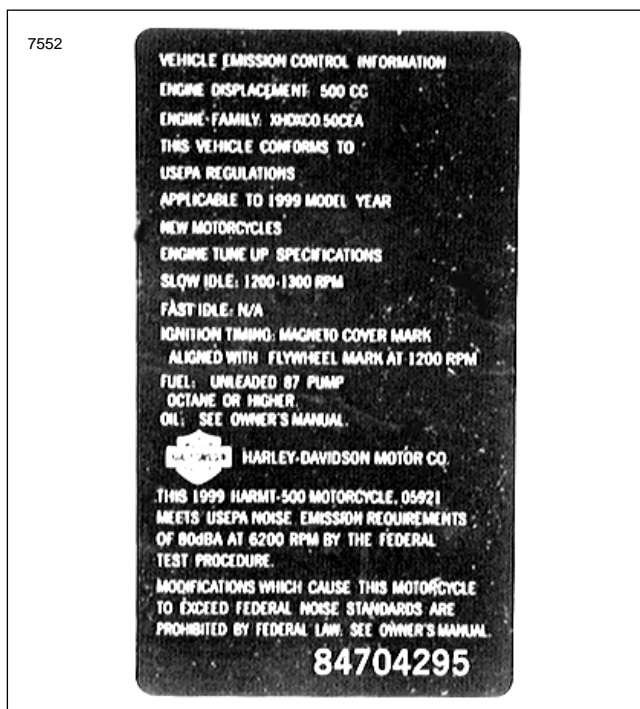


Figure 3. Certification Label



Figure 4. Certification Label Location

Choke Lever Label

1. Clean handlebar surface at location shown in Figure 6
2. See Figure 5. Remove adhesive backing from new label. Affix new label in the position shown in Figure 6.



Figure 5. Choke Lever Label

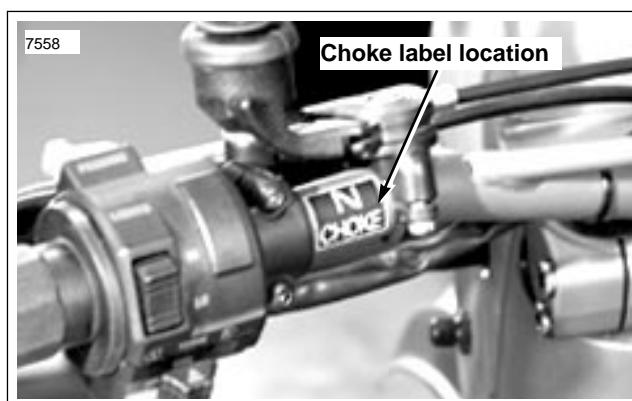


Figure 6. Choke Lever Label Location

Oil Tank Fill Label

1. See Figure 8. Clean oil tank fill cover.
2. See Figure 7. Remove adhesive backing from new label. Affix new label in the position on oil tank fill cover as shown in Figure 8.



Figure 7. Oil Tank Fill Label

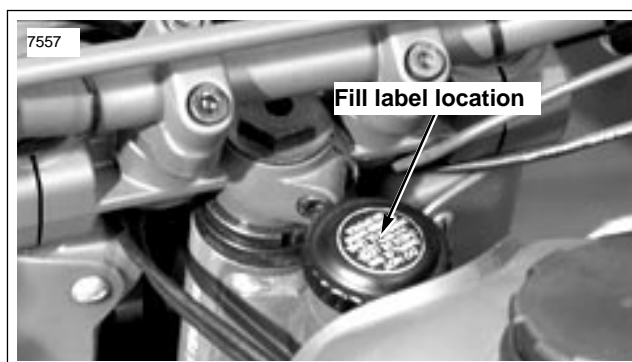


Figure 8. Oil Tank Fill Label Location

Front Brake Fluid Reservoir Cover.

1. See Figure 10. Remove the two screws securing reservoir cover. Remove cover and discard.
2. Place new cover, as shown on Figure 9, in position on top of fill reservoir. Replace screws and tighten securely.



Figure 9. Front Brake Fluid Reservoir Cover

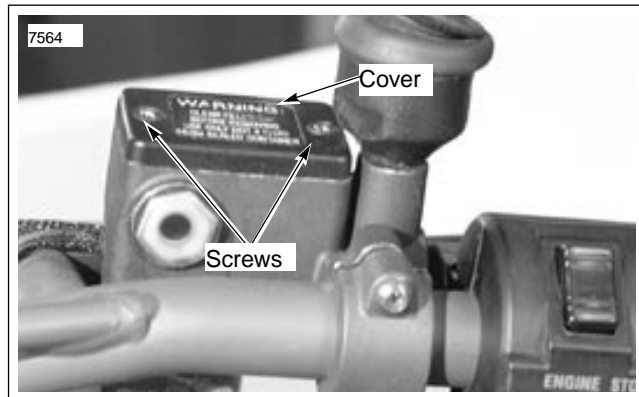


Figure 10. Front Brake Fluid Reservoir Cover Location

Rear Brake Fluid Reservoir.

1. See Figure 12. Remove left side cover by pulling straight out.
1. See Figure 13. Clean the label already in place and the area surrounding it.
2. See Figure 11. Remove adhesive backing from new label. Affix new label in the position shown in Figure 13.
3. See Figure 12. Replace side cover.



Figure 11. Rear Brake Fluid Reservoir Label

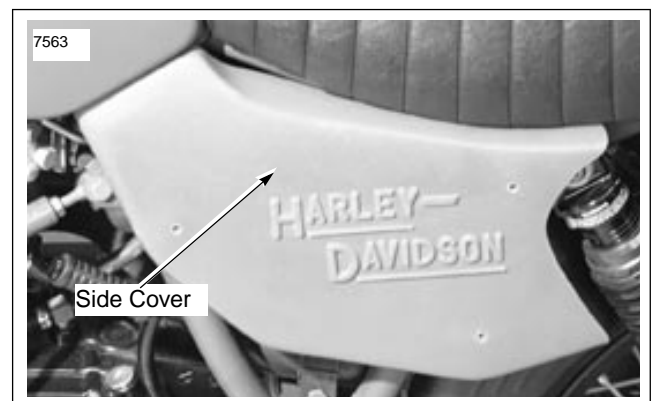


Figure 12. Left Side Cover

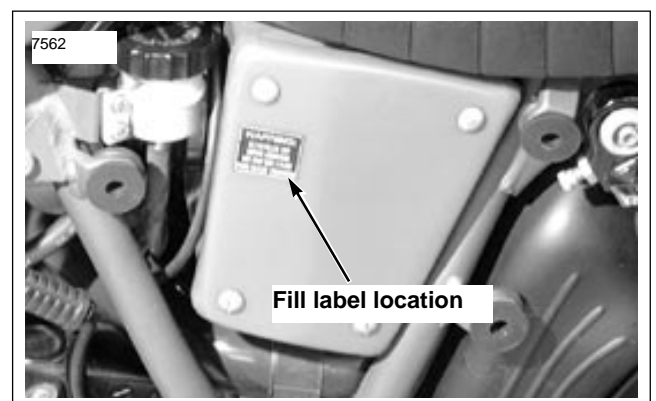


Figure 13. Rear Brake Fluid Reservoir Label Location

Safety Precautions Label.

1. See Figure 15. Clean the area of the gas tank where the label is to be placed.
2. See Figure 14. Remove adhesive backing from new label. Affix new label in the position shown in Figure 15.



Figure 14. Safety Precautions Label

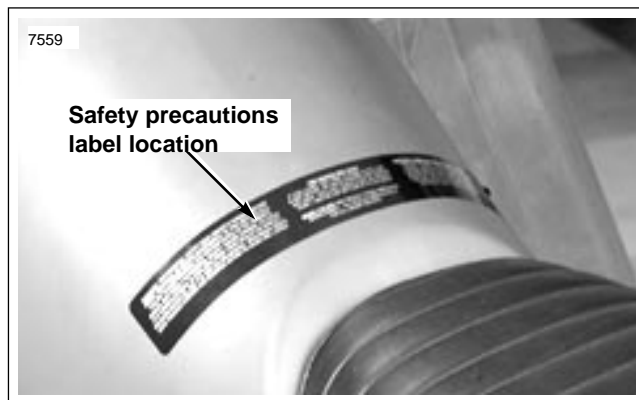


Figure 15. Safety Precautions Label Location

Credit Procedure

For each vehicle remedied, fill out a Dealer Service Card. Place a "C" in the letter box. When Harley-Davidson receives your properly completed Dealer Service Card, you will be credited 0.6 hours of labor for performing the procedure, which includes 0.1 hour for administration time.