Service-Information Motorcycle

BMW of NA Service Department Group: 36
Wheels and Tires

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Recall Campaign 84V – 092 Inspection/Replacement of 19" Front Cast Alloy Wheels

BMW of North America, Inc., has voluntarily initiated a safety related defect recall campaign. The NTHSA-assigned recall campaign number is 84V - 092.

This service information outlines the specific procedure for the implementation of this campaign. A copy of the customer letter is attached for your information.

VEHICLES AFFECTED

<u>Model</u>	Model Year	Inclusive Dates of <u>Manufacture</u>
R60/7	1977	Sept. 1976 - Aug. 1977
R75/7	1977	Sept. 1976 - Aug. 1977
R80/7	1978 - 1980	Sept. 1977 - Aug. 1980
R100/7	1977 - 1978	Sept. 1976 - Aug. 1978
R100S	1977 - 1980	Sept. 1976 - Aug. 1980
R100T	1979 - 1980	Sept. 1978 - Aug. 1980
R100RS	1977 - 1982	Sept. 1976 - Oct. 1982
R100RT	1978 - 1982	June 1978 - Oct. 1982
R100CS	1981 - 1982	Sept. 1980 - Oct. 1982
R100	1981 - 1982	Sept. 1980 - Oct. 1982

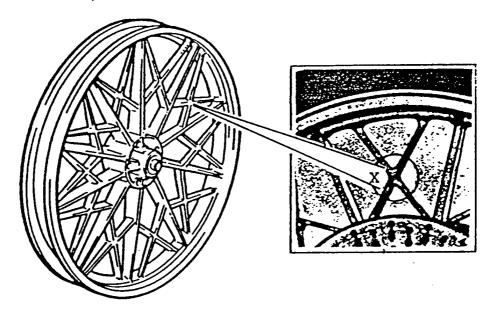
DESCRIPTION OF DEFECT

The potential defect involves the 19" front cast alloy wheels of the affected vehicles, above. Only cast wheels manufactured prior to 10/82 potentially contain the defect. Due to metal fatigue resulting from vehicle operation (for example, extended mileage, severe wheel loads like rough roads, etc.), it is possible that hairline cracks may develop in the area where the spokes join the hub.

Continued operation of the motorcycle could result in expansion of the cracks and/or development of further cracks in the same area. Eventually, impairment of wheel operation could occur.

INSPECTION/REPLACEMENT

1. Determine the manufacturing/casting date without removing the wheel from the motorcycle. The location of this.mark is at point "X" in the center of the cross over.



Check the casting date shown in normal Arabic numerals on one of the spoke crosses. Do not confuse it with a second, similar manufacturing mark comprising an Arabic and Roman figure.

- 2. If the casting date is 10/82 or later, check for reinforcement on spokes, no further action is necessary.
- 3. If the casting date is 9/82 or before, the wheel has to be exchanged.
- 4. A new inner tube must be installed at our cost when the tire is exchanged.
- 5. Balancing of the entire assembly should be performed and is part of our reimbursement to you.
- 6. Use BMW balance weights only:

Part No.	<u>Weight</u>
36 31 1 235 625	5 gram
36 31 1 235 626	10 gram
36 31 1 240 152	15 gram
36 31 1 235 627	20 gram
36 31 1 240 153	25 gram
36 31 1 235 628	30 gram

Clips for balance weights are supplied separately under part No. 36 31 1 235 632.

Costs for weights/clips used for each individual balancing job should be added to the dealer cost of the new inner tube and entered in the sublet value box on the campaign.

WARRANTY STATUS

Reimbursement. for this recall campaign will be provided through <u>Campaign Claim</u> submission. Please read section 7 of the Motorcycle Warranty Manual for more information about these special campaign claims.

Use defect code: 00 00 36 08 00.

Work Package # 1:

Cleaning and visual inspection only of a 19" front cast wheel. Labor: 3 flat rate units.

Work Package # 2:

Cleaning, visual inspection, replacing and balancing of a 19" front cast wheel.

Part Number Description Quantity

36 31 1 238 959 <u>Silver</u> 19" Wheel 1

Labor: 8 flat rate units

Sublet: one inner tube (at dealer cost)

balance weights

Work Package # 3:

Cleaning, visual inspection, replacing and balancing of a 19" front cast wheel.

Part Number Description Quantity

36 31 1 238 960 Gold 19" Wheel 1

Labor: 8 flat rate units

Sublet: one inner tube (at dealer cost)

balance weights

When a campaign claim is paid to you, you will be requested to return the old wheel to BMWNA, Montvale, New Jersey. Please attach a properly filled out return tag for warranty parts in order to validate the respective claim. Non-return of the old wheel will cause a debit to your account.

Note: Do not return the old wheel with the campaign claim.

Estimate and order a sufficient supply now so your service department is ready <u>before</u> we notify your customers.

Sincerely,

BMW OF NORTH AMERICA, INC.

Herb Neas National Service Manager Motorcycle Group

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A subsidiary BMW of North America, Inc.



Date September 30, 1984

RE: Recall Campaign No. 84V - 092

Dear BMW Owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

BMW-AG has determined that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain 1977 – 82 BMW R60/7, R75/7, R80/7, and R100 (all versions) motorcycles. Our records indicate that you are the owner of a potentially affected vehicle.

BMW has further determined that the defect does not exist in each of the potentially defected vehicles. In this recall campaign, vehicles' wheels will be inspected for the possibility of the defect, and replaced if necessary.

Your vehicle may be equipped with a B~ 19" cast alloy front wheel. On motorcycles with extended mileage, which are operated frequently on rough roads, where severe wheel loads are encountered, hair-line cracks may develop in the front wheel where the spokes join the hub. Continued operation of the motorcycle could result in expansion of the cracks and/or development of additional cracks in the wheel. It is possible, under extreme conditions, that impairment of wheel operation could occur.

If your motorcycle is equipped with a BMW 19" cast alloy front wheel, we ask you make an appointment with your Authorized BMW Dealer to arrange for inspection/replacement of your vehicle's wheel as soon as possible, regardless of your prior use of your motorcycle. The first step will be determining the production date of the cast alloy front wheel on your vehicle. (Wheels produced after a certain date are not affected by this campaign.) If an affected wheel is found, it will be replaced with a redesigned wheel. A new inner tube and the necessary balance weights will also be installed. This inspection/repair will require proximately one half hour to two hours and will be performed by your Authorized BMW Dealer at no charge to you.

PLEASE NOTE: If your BMW motorcycle is equipped with BMW wire wheels or non-BMW wheels, it is not necessary to contact your dealer. Such wheels are not included in this recall campaign.

Before the vehicle is inspected, should abnormal noise or vibration in the front wheel occur, the vehicle should not be operated. Arrangements for pickup, inspection and repair of the vehicle should be made.

If you are no longer the owner of this vehicle, we would appreciate your furnishing us with the name and address of the new owner, using the enclosed return postage-paid card.

Headquarters Montvale, NJ 07645 We appreciate your confidence in our product and we wish to do everything we can to retain that confidence. Should you have any questions about this campaign please contact your Authorized BMW Dealer, or your regional Customer Relations Departments at:

 BMW of North America, Inc. Walnut & Hudson Avenues Norwood, NJ 07648 Telephone: (201) 784-0145 or (201) 784-0146

 BMW of North America, Inc. 12541 Beatrice Street Los Angeles, CA 90066 Telephone: (213) 306-4500

3. BMW of North America, Inc. 1002 E. Algonquin Road Schaumburg, IL 60195 Telephone: (312) 397-5713

4. BMW of North America, Inc. 2300 Valley View Lane, Suite 300 Dallas, TX 75381 Telephone: (214) 484-4840

5. BMW of North America, Inc. 6160 Peachtree-Dunwoody Road Suite A-100 Atlanta, GA 30328 Telephone: (404) 399-5979

6. BMW of North America, Inc. 6606 Owens Drive Pleasanton, CA 94566 Telephone: (415) 463-0691

If the dealer upon inspection finds the described defect but is unable to remedy the defect without charge or within a reasonable period of time, you may notify the Administration of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Nassif Building, 400 7th Street SW, Washington, DC 20590, or call the toll-free Auto Safety Hotline at (800) 424-9393 (Washington, DC, area residents may call 426-0123).

Very truly yours,

BMW OF NORTH AMERICA, INC. Motorcycle Group