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Potentially defective drive bolts:

HASE BIKES Recalls Trike Models

Specialized bike manufacturer HASE BIKES is calling for the replacement of safety-related bolts on LEPUS and KETTWIESEL models from 2010 and 2011 due to possible material defects.

Product monitoring has revealed that the drive bolts used on trikes sold by the Waltrop-based trike specialist in 2010 and 2011 may have material defects. Under certain circumstances, the defective bolts can come loose, posing a safety risk. These faulty components were used for models of the cult trike KETTWIESEL purchased between January 2010 and December 2011 and models of the LEPUS, particularly popular with older riders and with people in rehabilitation, sold between February 2010 and December 2011.

These bolts must be replaced as soon as possible by an authorized dealer. In order to prevent accidents and reduce risks, HASE BIKES is asking its customers not to use these trikes until the respective bolts have been replaced. Dealers have already been notified.

“We take our responsibility for the safety of our customers very seriously,” explained Marec Hase, chief developer for the specialized bike company. “Our dealers have already been notified of the bolt-replacement campaign.



Customers will be informed of the issue by their dealers, as well as via social media and a blog entry on our homepage.”

More detailed information about the bolt-replacement campaign can be found at www.hasebikes.com under the link

http://hasebikes.com/files/drive-bolt_recall.pdf

The company HASE BIKES: Since 1994, company founder Marec Hase has been developing innovative tandems and recumbent bikes and trikes that offer exceptional practicality and versatility, along with unparalleled riding fun. The KETTWIESEL “cornering machine” has since attained cult status, and the recumbent/upright PINO tandem is the most widely used touring tandem in the world - as well as the most versatile family taxi on two wheels. The KLIMAX trike, with e-assist and a patented Foldable Fairing, is the first fully-thought-through concept for all-weather commuting by pedal power. The HASE BIKES manufacturing facility, with 40 employees (10 of which are trainees), is situated on the historical grounds of the former coalmine Zeche Waltrop in the middle of the famous German Ruhr district. Information on the latest HASE BIKES specials and the ideas behind the concepts can be found at www.hasebikes.com.