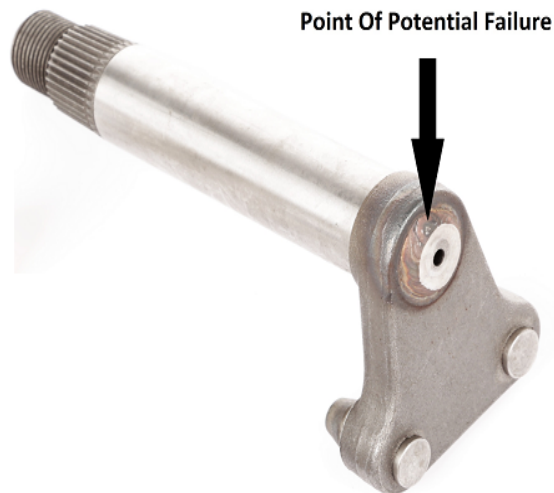


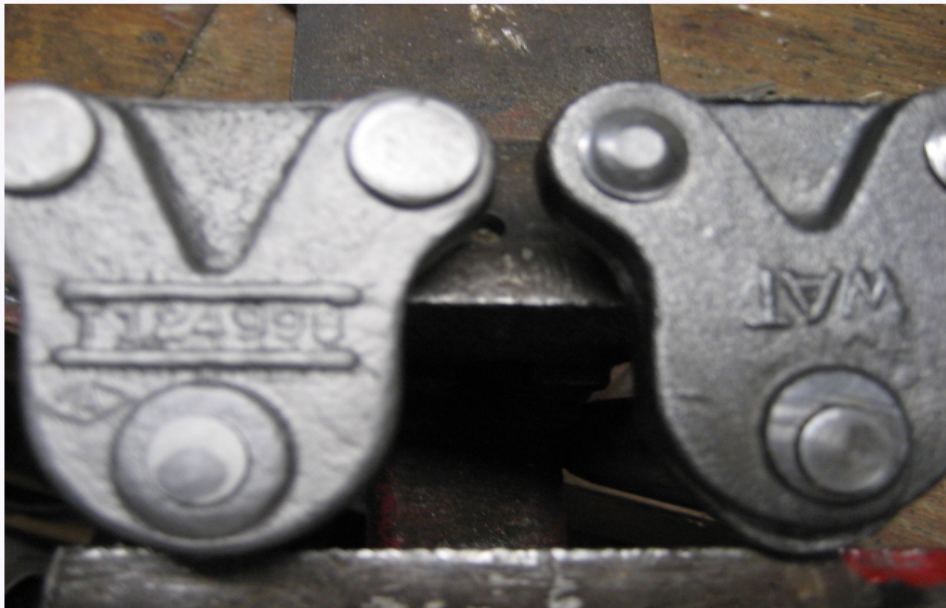
## **IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE**

**This notice is being sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.** OMIX-ADA, Inc. (“Omix”) has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in an unknown number of the 344 replacement, early Jeep/Willys steering sector shafts featuring a two-piece design involved in this recall. The two part numbers being recalled were sold by Omix through independent distributors and restoration shops from approximately 7/25/2011 through 10/14/16 as Omix part numbers **18027.01** (7/8” shaft), **18027.03** (a repair kit with bushings and 7/8” shaft) and **18027.02** (15/16” shaft). *These steering shafts are replacement parts for Jeep and Willys 1941-1966 CJ2a, Cj3a, Willys MB and 1950-1952M38 (military models) originally equipped with Ross steering boxes.* Other steering sector shafts, including the cast one-piece design are not included in this recall.

The recalled steering sector shafts are best identified by visually inspecting the outer surface of the part. The recalled sector shafts are a two-piece design featuring a splined shaft fitted at a right angle to a flat metal plate. A small weld should be visible where the shaft is pressed into the flat angle plate. Also on the recalled part, the two worm gear engaging points appear as flat, round circular surfaces on the outside of the right-angle plate. The recalled parts DO NOT have case numbers or “WAT” on the outside of the flat piece and Do Not have cooper plated engaging points. (See illustration - *to be provided*). Go to [omix-ada.com](http://omix-ada.com) & safety recall link for further help identifying these parts.



**If your sector shaft is marked as the two in this photo, they are not affected by this safety recall.**



**NOTICE:** This recall relates only to the identified Jeep or Willys models using the recalled parts for repair of Ross steering boxes. This recall does not affect other Jeep or Willys models or vehicles which have not undergone sector shaft repairs to the Ross steering using the recalled parts.

**WARNING !** To reduce risk of injury or accident, **DO NOT** use vehicle suspected of having been repaired with the recalled parts until you have inspected steering sector shaft and repaired with recommended replacement parts.

**What is the Problem?** Incomplete heat treating of the recalled parts by Omix-Ada's supplier may contribute to accelerated wear and flexing during use (or following shock loads from highway and off-road rocks and obstacles) creating an increased risk of premature failure and crash.

**What will Omix® do?-obtaining Replacement Parts Featuring Improved Design.**

Omix® has sourced a replacement sector shaft for the recalled parts featuring an improved cast design. Upon owner inspection and verification of a recalled part, Omix will supply owners with an improved sector shaft replacement free of charge. Contact Omix toll-free 770/614-6101 or at: [recall@omix-ada.com](mailto:recall@omix-ada.com). You may be asked for information regarding your vehicle application, place or proof of purchase and a picture of our existing sector shaft. Please have the information available to you when you call. Replacement parts should be available at or about the time you receive this notice. If you are unable or unwilling to replace a recalled sector shaft, Omix will direct you to an authorized service center for replacement and will compensate the service center at prevailing rates for up to 2.0 hours.

**What if I have already repaired a steering sector shaft covered by this recall?**

If you have replaced an Omix steering sector shaft, part numbers **18027.01** (7/8" shaft), **18027.03** (a repair kit with bushings and 7/8" shaft) and **18027.02** (15/16" shaft) identified in this campaign before receiving this notice you may be eligible for reimbursement of your costs. Call or contact Omix toll-free (770/614-6101) or at: [recall@omix-ada.com](mailto:recall@omix-ada.com). You will be requested to provide an invoice or other reasonable proof indicating your purchase of the recalled part and the repair made *prior* to receiving this notice. If you qualify for this program, Omix® will, at your option, reimburse you either the cost of repair (up to 2.0 hours @ local shop rates and cost of the replacement parts) or provide you with an account credit or gift certificate of equal value. If you prefer, you may submit a claim for reimbursement by mail to: Omix-Ada, Inc. 460 Horizon Dr., Suite 400, Suwanee, GA 30024. *Note: claims for reimbursement may not be transferred, assigned or aggregated.*

**What if I don't own the Jeep/Willys with the recalled sector shaft, have other questions or need help?**

Omix® is here to help by answering any further questions you may have regarding this campaign. Contact us: toll-free 770/614-6101 or at: [recall@omix-ada.com](mailto:recall@omix-ada.com).

- If you are a lessor of a vehicle covered by this campaign and believe the Ross steering box may have been repaired with the recalled parts you should send a copy of this notice to the lessee as required by 49 CFR Sec. 577.7(a)(2)(iv). If you no longer own the vehicle with the recalled steering sector shaft you should forward this Notice to the new owner and also provide Omix® with the new owner's contact information.
- If after sixty days you still are unable to obtain a replacement sector shaft or other remedy provided hereunder through [omix-ada.com](http://omix-ada.com) you may file a complaint with: *The Administrator, National Highway Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Washington, DC 20590; or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.*

Omix® apologizes for any inconvenience this voluntary recall may cause; however, our overall concerns are your safety and satisfaction with the products we sell.

Sincerely,

Omix-Ada, Inc.