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REPAIR OF THE INVERTED GEAR RACK IN-WALL (SCHWINTEK) SLIDE-OUT SYSTEM

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Product:	Inverted Gear Rack In-Wall Slide-Out System manufactured between October 2021 and January 2022			
Date:	June 24, 2022 Labor Rate: 5.0 Hours Allowed (2.5 hours per side)			

NOTE: This bulletin supersedes service bulletin 146-001-2022 dated June 22, 2022, which should be removed from your files. This revision provides clarification around the repair kits and corrects an error in kit "C" in the parts tables.

Purpose

This document is to address the concern of the increased frequency of Schwintek slide systems becoming inoperable in the identified time frame.

The primary cause has been determined to be damage to the guide shoe located within the slide mechanism. This can lead to premature system wear and in some cases reaching the point of rendering the system inoperable. While there are multiple contributing factors that can cause this to happen, we have identified a period between October 2021 and January 2022 when inconsistent handling at the Lippert production facility may have caused damage to some shoes. In addition to implementing corrective actions during the assembly process, Lippert made a design improvement to the shoe to provide additional strength. Systems that were subject to damage during this time may be more prone to breakage under certain conditions.

It is important to review the attached In-Wall Slide-Out Repair Kit Manual and conduct an inspection of the system to determine the exact cause of the concern. Any obstructions in the system, any damage to wiper seals, any system measurements as referenced that fall out of specification need to be addressed before proceeding with the TSB repair kit. If needed, contact Lippert Customer Care Center for further direction.

NOTE: Lippert does NOT require advance notification nor a pre-authorization be obtained from our team. With the proper documents submitted with all requests for reimbursement from dealers, repair centers or OEMs, Lippert will be able to waive any advance contact to the Customer Care Center and process the claim with no delay.

The necessary items for reimbursement processing include:

- Clear photo of the unit VIN tag
- Clear photo of the Lippert In-Wall system tag (See location of tag on Page 3.) The tag shown below is only a sample picture and not the actual tag for an inverted gear rack slide-out.



• Eight photos of the system after completing the repair (See example on Page 2.)

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Photos of Measurements After Completing Repair

- 1. Take measurements (similar to the measurement featured below) from the gear rack to the edge of the column with the tape measure pressed against the gear rack, not above or below it.
- 2. This measurement is best taken with the slide extended at 6 inches from the exterior of the coach and then again with the slide at full extension at all four corners for a total of eight measurements.
- **NOTE:** Coachmen is an exception since the units are installed backward and measurements should be taken from the interior.
- 3. Tolerance is 2 3/8" to 2 5/8". Ideal measurement is 2 1/2".



Safety

The In-Wall Slide-Out Repair Kit Manual referenced and attached to this TSB are general instructions for the various In-Wall systems. Many variables can change the circumstances of any procedure, i.e. the degree of difficulty involved in the service operation and the ability level of the individual performing the operation. This document cannot begin to plot out procedures for every possibility, but will provide the general instructions for effectively installing, removing or servicing the system. In the event the skill level required is too advanced or the procedure too difficult, a certified technician should be consulted before performing the necessary operation. Failure to correctly install, remove or service the system may result in inflicting injury or even death.

AWARNING

The "WARNING" symbol above is a sign that a procedure has a safety risk involved and may cause death, serious personal injury, severe product and/or property damage if not performed safely and within the parameters set forth in this document.



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Inspection

The inspection will be to validate the system as being part of the Inverted Gear Rack In-Wall Slide-Out system. The profile of the gear rack will be as shown below under the subsection "Identifying The Inverted Gear Rack In-Wall Slide-Out System."

The specific inverted gear rack systems will have manufactured dates around Oct. 1, 2021, through Jan. 6, 2022. Dates are shown on the variant code tag located on the H-column. See location below.

NOTE: The tag featured is only a sample picture and not the actual variant code tag for the inverted gear rack slide-out.

If the system has failed and has been verified as the Inverted Gear Rack In-Wall Slide-Out System, the repair kits available will be listed under the Gear Rack Options section in this document.





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Identifying the Inverted Gear Rack In-Wall Slide-Out System

Inverted Gear Rack









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Repair Kit Options

The most common gear rack notch option is 1.56" PN 2022108946. However, using the previous gear rack images to identify the notch, order the kit number listed below.

NOTE: Please visit the Lippert Store using the links below to order a repair kit. The repair kits created were based on the notch sizes of the most frequently-used systems. If you need ordering assistance, call Lippert Customer Care Center at (432) 547-7378.

Callout	Kit #	Description
А	<u>2022108946</u>	1.56" Notch
В	<u>2022108947</u>	1.75" Notch
С	<u>2022108948</u>	1.56" Double Notch

(See notch images on previous page)

NOTE: Gear racks in (A) 2022108946 1.56" Notch and (B) 2022108947 1.75" Notch are 38" and can be cut to length. Gear racks in (C) 2022108948 1.56" Double Notch are 32" and can **NOT** be cut down. For the 1.56" Double Notch gear rack lengths other than 32", please contact Lippert Customer Care Center at (432) 547-7378.

Repair Kit Components

Repair kits with all parts listed for an inverted gear rack for the fixed and float repair would include:

- (1 ea.) Lower inverted gear rack fixed side (varies per kit)
- (1 ea.) Upper inverted gear rack fixed side (varies per kit)
- (1 ea.) Lower inverted gear rack float side (varies per kit)
- (1 ea.) Upper inverted gear rack float side (varies per kit)
- (2 ea.) Inverted upper bearing block (299076)
- (2 ea.) Inverted lower bearing block (299075)
- (4 ea.) Spur gear (238893)
- (4 ea.) V-Roller (292801)
- (4 ea.) Snap ring (234180)
- (2 ea.) Aluminum rivet (239423)
- (4 ea.) Inverted shoe (701196)
- (8 ea.) Flat back rack plug (318803)
- (4 ea.) Plastic pin (350596)
- (2 ea.) Motor retention screw (2021099912)



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Instructions on Removal and Replacement

For instructions on removal and replacement of the Repair Kit, please see In-Wall Slide-Out Repair Kit Manual attached to this TSB. Not all sections of the attached document are applicable.

NOTE: The kit includes replacement parts for both the fixed and float sides of the system. It is important to replace BOTH sides and use ALL of the components when repairing units built during the October 2021 through the January 2022 timeframe.

Videos on repair of slide-out systems are also available at: <u>https://youtu.be/6whK2-UIQ94</u> <u>https://support.lci1.com/videos/in-wall-slide-out-inverted-rebuild-kit</u>

Order Parts

Contact Lippert Parts at (432) 547-7378 for ordering assistance.

The repair kits created were based on the notch sizes of the most frequently-used systems. If there is a system configuration that does not match the kit components in this document, additional kits may be found on the website under the Product Components tab at <u>https://support.lci1.com/in-wall-slide-out</u> or contact Lippert Customer Care Center at (432) 547-7378 to order a system for the specific variant.

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