January 27, 2000 FPJ-4-P

AUXILIARY HEAT SHIELD

AFFECTED MODELS

1999 and prior models of the Honda powered Prop/Jet, Model FPJ-4-P used on bumper boats.

PROBABLE CAUSE

Over the years, there have been isolated incidents of customers receiving burns from the Honda powered Prop/Jet. Under certain uncontrolled conditions a small rider could get a leg or other extremity wedged between the boat and the underneath section of the engine.

Note: The possibility for this happening is greatly increased for any of the following reasons:

- 1. Parks are allowing operation of the boats by children that are too small. To safely operate the boats the operator should be tall enough to sit to the back of the seat with their feet on the floor.
- 2. Small passengers in the boats are not sitting on the side of the operator. We have become aware that quite often the adult might seat the child on their lap or leg. This could wedge or push the child under the engine.
- 3. Some Prop/Jet engines have been mounted in other style boats by the parks themselves and quite possibly they are positioned much higher than would be in the Foster boat. The higher position allows for more access under the engine.

CORRECTIVE ACTION

Installing the auxiliary heat shield will add further protection for your customers and reduce your exposure to potential incidents.

Foster Manufacturing strongly recommends that you install the auxiliary heat shields as soon as possible. Installation is simple and will only take a couple of minutes per engine.

Refer to: Part #250304 Auxiliary Heat Shield \$24.75

If you have any questions, please contact us.

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