

Member Advisory

DATE: May 16, 2018

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FROM: Club Racing Board

TO: All Participants

SUBJECT: FIA Seat Homologation Withdrawn

FIA safety department notified the Sports Car Club of America of a withdrawn seat homologation.

See Attached.



To	:	All ASNs		
From	:	Nuria Encinas	Ref.	: FIASDH-18-008
Date	:	12 April 2018	Pages	: 1+2+3
Subject	:	RECARO advanced racing seats AS.015.10		

RECARO advanced racing seats AS.015.10

We would like to inform you that, during the internal quality control process of the advanced racing seats approved according to the FIA 8862-2009 Standard, RECARO found that the PRO RACER ULTIMA 1.0 seats with the homologation number AS.015.10 and with a homologation label indicating NOT VALID AFTER: 2022 or later do not comply with all the requirements defined in the FIA 8862-2009 standard.

The FIA therefore decided that, for safety reasons, the homologation of the following advanced racing seats is withdrawn with immediate effect:

Manufacturer	Model	Homologation number	Homologation label indicating NOT VALID AFTER:	FIA hologram homologation number
RECARO	PRO RACER ULTIMA 1.0	AS.015.10	2022 or later	See details in Appendix 1

As these seats can no longer be considered as complying with the FIA 8862-2009 standard, their use is not authorized in all cases in which compliance with the above-mentioned standard is mandatory.

Seats not shown in Appendix 1, with a homologation label indicating that they are NOT VALID AFTER: 2020 or 2021 are valid until the date indicated on their homologation label.

Please note that a complete and up-to-date list of advanced seats homologated according to the FIA 8862-2009 standard may at any time be accessed on the FIA website (www.fia.com/homologations).

Please also find attached a letter that has been distributed by RECARO to their customers in connection with the above-referenced matter.

Please be so kind as to take all the necessary measures to ensure that this decision is adhered to within your sphere of competence.

We remain at your disposal for any further information you may require.

Kind regards,

Nuria Encinas
FIA Safety Department



Appendix 1 – List of seats that can no longer be considered as complying with the FIA 8862-2009 standard

FIA Hologram Serial N°	Seat Serial N°
AC00111	100.3164
AC00112	100.3161
AC00113	100.3165
AC00114	100.3198
AC00115	100.3201
AC00116	100.3163
AC00117	100.3166
AC00118	100.3167
AC00119	100.3168
AC00120	100.3157
AC00122	100.3158
AC00123	100.3154
AC00124	100.3155
AC00125	100.3151
AC00127	100.3152
AC00128	100.3159
AC00129	100.3156
AC00130	100.3153
AC00331	100.3170
AC00337	100.3176
AC00338	100.3173
AC00339	100.3174
AC00340	100.3172
AC00341	100.3185
AC00342	100.3182
AC00343	100.3186
AC00344	100.3184
AC00345	100.3180
AC00346	100.3179
AC00347	100.3181
AC00348	100.3178
AC00349	100.3177
AC00350	100.3171
AC00351	100.3175
AC00352	100.3169
AB00353	100.3162
AC00354	100.3197
AC00355	100.3202
AC00356	100.3196
AC00357	100.3199
AC00358	100.3204
AC00359	100.3203
AC00360	100.3200
AC00393	100.3192

FIA Hologram Serial N°	Seat Serial N°
AC00394	100.3189
AC00396	100.3190
AC00401	100.3187
AC00402	100.3183
AC00402	100.3183
AC00403	100.3971
AC00404	100.3968
AC00406	100.3966
AC00407	100.3963
AC00410	100.3191
AC00411	100.3188
AC00412	100.3959
AC00935	100.3193
AC00405	100.3962
AC00408	100.3960
AC00409	100.3194
AC00658	100.3965
AC00669	100.9504
AC00670	100.9501
AC00671	100.9500
AC00672	100.9507
AC00673	100.3976
AC00674	100.3984
AC00675	100.3977
AC00676	100.3981
AC00677	100.3978
AC00741	100.9502
AC00742	100.9505
AC00753	100.9510
AC00754	100.9514
AC00755	100.9511
AC00756	100.9508
AC00757	100.9503
AC00758	100.9506
AC00768	100.9499
AC00812	100.9522
AC00813	100.9525
AC00837	100.9519
AC00846	100.9524
AC00847	100.9523
AC00848	100.9520
AC00849	100.9521
AC00850	100.9518
AC00874	101.0596

FIA Hologram Serial N°	Seat Serial N°
AC00875	100.0595
AC00889	100.9517
AC00890	100.9515
AC00891	100.9516
AC00892	100.9512
AC00893	100.9513
AC00895	100.9509
AC00924	100.9528
AC00979	100.9526
AC01082	101.1822
AC01083	101.1823
AC01084	101.1824
AC01112	101.1828
AC01113	101.1825
AC01114	101.1826
AC01115	101.1827
AC01136	101.2516
AC01137	101.2517
AC02157	101.1831
AC02158	101.1830
AC02159	101.2832
AC02160	101.1832
AC02174	101.1834
AC02177	101.1833
AC02196	101.1835
AC02208	101.1838
AC02209	101.1837
AC02227	101.1840
AC02228	101.1836
AC02229	101.1839
AC02257	101.1841
AC02258	101.1842
AC02278	101.1843
AC02279	101.1844
AC02280	101.1845
AC02288	101.1848
AC02289	101.1846
AC02290	101.1847
AC02294	101.1854
AC02295	101.1853
AC02297	101.1852
AC02298	101.1851
AC02299	101.1849
AC02300	101.1850



FIA Hologram Serial N°	Seat Serial N°
AC02307	101.3156
AC02308	101.3159
AC02309	101.3162
AC02310	101.3155
AC02672	101.3158
AC02673	101.3157
AC02674	101.3160
AC02675	101.3161
AC02893	101.4744
AC02797	101.3154
AC02838	101.4736
AC02839	101.4735
AC02840	101.4734
AC02841	101.4740
AC02842	101.4737
AC02843	101.4741
AC02844	101.4738
AC02868	101.4742
AC02869	101.4739
AC02887	101.4745
AC02888	101.4748
AC02889	101.4751
AC02894	101.4747
AC02895	101.4750
AC02902	101.4749
AC02907	101.4746
AC02908	101.6418
AC03108	102.1240
AC03109	102.1241
AC03110	102.1242
AC03070	101.6421
AC03068	101.6425
AC03067	101.6422
AC03069	101.6424
AC03675	102.2576
AC03676	102.2577
AC04074	102.2575
AC04075	102.2574
AC04078	102.1943
AC04082	102.1942
AC04083	102.1946
AC04091	102.1944
AC04092	102.1945
AC04093	102.1941

FIA Hologram Serial N°	Seat Serial N°
AC04141	102.2278
AC04142	102.2276
AC04143	102.2277
AC05041	102.3408
AC05100	102.3068
AC05126	102.3671
AC05127	102.3683
AC05129	102.3614
AC05130	102.3615
AC05137	102.3428
AC05138	102.3429
AC05140	102.3427
AC05146	102.3241
AC05147	102.3067
AC05171	102.2973
AC05180	102.1943
AC05184	102.3487
AC05191	102.3033
AC05192	102.3032
AC05193	102.3486
AC05194	102.3529
AC05195	102.3528
AC05196	102.3381
AC05197	102.3382
AC05198	102.3362
AC05199	102.3363
AC05200	102.3364
AC05231	102.2960
AC05232	102.2961
AC05233	102.2962
AC05234	102.2958
AC05235	102.2959
AC05236	102.2974
AC05239	102.2957
AC05445	102.4016
AC05448	102.4017
AC05449	102.3915
AC05450	102.3916
AC05512	102.4301
AC05513	102.4266
AC05515	102.4263
AC05516	102.4228
AC05520	102.4266
AC05521	102.4267

FIA Hologram Serial N°	Seat Serial N°
AC05549	102.4049
AC05550	102.4050
AC05591	102.3742
AC05601	102.3743
AC05606	102.3816
AC05727	102.4032
AC05728	102.3983
AC05729	102.3984
AC05730	102.3985
AC05462	102.4562
AC05463	102.4693
AC05468	102.4501
AC05469	102.4502
AC05470	102.4503
AC05471	102.4504
AC05476	102.4569
AC05477	102.4570
AC05514	102.4978
AC05649	102.4691
AC05651	102.4632
AC05652	102.4633
AC05653	102.4634
AC05654	102.4667
AC05655	102.4631
AC05656	102.4694
AC05678	102.4792
AC05679	102.4791
AC05680	102.4790
AC05681	102.4789
AC05687	102.4859
AC05688	102.4860
AC05690	102.4934
AC05691	102.4933
AC05692	102.4932
AC05700	102.5133
AC05701	102.5132
AC05702	102.5131
AC05703	102.5130
AC05704	102.5129
AC05705	102.5226
AC05720	102.5391
AC05721	102.5227
AB197078	102.4514
AB197079	102.4515

Replacement of the RECARO racing seat 'Pro Racer Ultima 1.0'

Dear Sirs,

RECARO Automotive Seating attaches great importance to the quality of its products. Against this backdrop, we constantly monitor and review the behaviour and performance of our products in the market.

We would like to inform you that RECARO Automotive Seating will replace the racing seats 'Pro Racer Ultima 1.0' from the manufacturing years 2012 to 2017 with the new product 'RECARO Race 1400 R' at no charge.

1. Information about the affected product

- The replacement will only cover RECARO Pro Racer Ultima 1.0 racing seats manufactured from January 2012.
- RECARO Pro Racer Ultima 1.0 racing seats manufactured before January 2012 are not eligible for replacement.
- The seats in question can be identified as follows:
 - Manufacturer's badge on the underside of the shell (only readable when the seat is removed): The model can be precisely identified on the basis of part number 071.61.0995, the name RECARO PRO RACER ULTIMA 1.0, the individual nine-digit production number and the date of manufacture 08/02/2017.
 - FIA sticker on the left side of the shell at shoulder level: Under the model name RECARO PRO RACER ULTIMA 1.0 and the FIA homologation number AS.015.10, the period of validity of the homologation (ten years) is indicated by the note 'Not valid after'. The inserted year provides

information about the year of manufacture, for example, Not valid after 2027 means year of manufacture 2017.

2. Information on the circumstances

- We subject our racing seats to the re-homologation tests prescribed by the FIA. As part of this series of tests in May 2017, the 'Pro Racer Ultima 1.0' did not meet 100 percent of the required standards.
- We then informed FIA and jointly decided to extend this test series to models from all other years of manufacture.
- The results of these tests showed deviations in certain test configurations for the seats of the mentioned years of manufacture. However, these deviations do not limit the general safety of the seats.
- In order to fully meet the high standards of RECARO Automotive Seating for quality and reliability as well as the equivalent standards of the FIA, we have decided to replace the seats specified in item 1 at no charge.
- We will at once provide a new product already homologated by the FIA under the name 'RECARO Race 1400 R'.
- The new model differs from the 'Pro Racer Ultima 1.0' only in terms of the structure of the carbon shell. The exterior and interior dimensions of both models are nearly identical. The vehicle is connected via identical screw points, so the adapters do not need to be replaced.
- Upon April 11, 2018, the FIA homologation for the seats designated under item 1 ends. This means that vehicles with these seats will no longer be approved for competition in the course of FIA vehicle approvals. The seats must therefore be replaced with the new 'RECARO Race 1400 R'.

3. Information about the replacement

In order to make the replacement of the 'Pro Racer Ultima1.0' from the mentioned years of manufacture as easy as possible for the users, we have set up a website at www.registration.recaro-automotive.com. There you can start the free replacement process after entering the required data.

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For all questions about the RECARO Pro Racer Ultima 1.0 and the new product RECARO Race 1400 R, you can contact our RECARO team by phone +49 7021 9350-00 (business hours: Monday to Friday 09.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon, Monday to Thursday 01.00 p.m. – 05.00 p.m., Friday 01.00 p.m. – 03.00 p.m., CET) or send us an e-mail to ae-support@recaro-automotive.com.

All questions can be answered in German and English. Questions that our support team cannot answer immediately will be collected and forwarded to the appropriate experts. Responses will be provided within 48 hours.

To ensure that communication is as accurate and consistent as possible, we ask that you do not comment yourself on this topic or answer questions directly. If you are asked any questions, please always refer to our RECARO team as mentioned above.

Since you have the contact details of your customers, we ask that you either pass this information on to your customers without delay – or provide us with their contact details immediately so that we can inform them.

We ask you to confirm receipt of this letter and that you are informing your customers without delay. Please send an e-mail to ae-support@recaro-automotive.com.

We regret the inconvenience that may arise from this replacement measure.

Thank you for your support!

Yours sincerely,