

Harold Fischer

From: Brindise, Mark J Ctr NGB/A4RDV [Mark.Brindise.ctr@ang.af.mil]
Sent: Monday, September 18, 2006 10:16 AM
To: DPMVA@aol.com
Cc: DPMWR@aol.com; Harmon, Francis Ctr NGB/A4RDV
Subject: FW: Rumber on Trailers

Have you seen this?

Mark J. Brindise
 Vehicle Maintenance Manager
 NGB/A4RDV
 DSN: 278-8440
 COMM: 301-836-8440
 DSN/FAX: 278-8195

From: Chandler, Barney D Civ 580 CBSS/GBZVS [mailto:Barney.Chandler@robins.af.mil]
Sent: Monday, September 18, 2006 9:19 AM
To: AFELM VEMSO; Bennet Jonathan S GS-12 USCENTAF/A4/LGTV; Brindise Mark (Ang); Browning Scotty MSgt USAFE/A4RVM; Butcher, Zane A CIV USAF HQ AFMC/A4RV; Cernac Tom SMSgt AF/ILGM; Davey Fred Civ AFRC/LGTV; Dillon Thomas CMSgt PACAF/A4RVM; Frank Harmon (Ang); Gafford Michael J MSgt AMC/A47V; Hage Gabriel MSgt AETC/A4RTV; Haines Robert L TSgt ACC/A4TVF; Hill Peggy L GS-12 AFSPC/A4RMM; Johnson Mark J CMSgt AMC/A4RV; Jorgenson, James D MSgt PACAF/OL-AA; Keyser Tom P Jr MSgt AMC/A4RV; Livermore Randy CMSgt USAFE/A4RVM; Ministrelli Lewis J MSgt HQ USAFE/A4RMV; Moyers Harold B AFSPC/LCRPM; Mudd Larry MSgt AMC/A47V; Park Jeff J GS - 12 USCENTAF/A4/LGTV; Patterson Timothy M SMSgt ACC/A4TVM; Poese Brian R CMSgt AMC/A4RV; Rose Loren S MSgt USCENTAF/A4/LGTV; Russell Harold W Civ AETC/A4RTV; Snedeker, Matthew R SMSgt USAF HQ AFMC/A4RV; Stout, Todd M MSgt HQ PACAF/LGR OL-A; Tennant Steven MSgt AFRC/LGTV; Turner James L MSgt USAFE/A4RDV; Weaver Tommy H Jr MSgt AFSOC/LGTV; Wingfield Bryon L MSgt AFSOC/LGTM; Wood Hubert R Civ HQ ACC/A4TVF
Cc: Chandler, Barney D Civ 580 CBSS/GBZVS; Woodruff, Robert J Civ 642 CBSS/GBZO-ENV; Earles, Charlene B Civ 580 CBSS/GBZVS
Subject: Rumber on Trailers

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Rumber has been found inadequate for use on nuclear certified trailer assets. It does not possess the material strength characteristics to meet the required Factors of Safety, and cannot be certified for use. Do not retrofit nuclear certified trailer assets with Rumber decking.

Non-nuclear certified trailer assets in the Air Force inventory may be retrofitted with Rumber decking, provided that the trailer chassis structure possesses a maximum cross member spacing as required by Rumber. Modification of trailer-chassis structures with the addition of cross members is not permitted. Rumber offers a T-Rail System to compensate for and add strength to cross member spacing that is greater than the recommended maximum spacing, but it is also limited to a recommended maximum. The addition of Rumber's T-Rail System is permitted when needed, but requires some light welding to the chassis. Each trailer being considered for a Rumber decking retrofit should be carefully measured by the user/maintainer and the dimensions analyzed by Rumber for the appropriate recommendation of materials. Consult Rumber with your specific trailer cross member spacing and Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR). Rumber will provide the correct board thickness, length, width and fastening requirements based on the dimensions of the trailer chassis structure and the GVWR provided by the user/maintainer. Please keep records of your dialogue with Rumber representatives and of the Rumber retrofit in the trailer's maintenance history jacket.

9/22/2006

Please report any trailers (nuclear certified or non-nuclear certified) to this office, that have not previously been reported, by registration number that have had Rumber installed onto them. Any nuclear certified trailers that have had Rumber installed on them will need to be decertified.

Rumber is an available option from several trailer manufacturers for non-nuclear certified trailers. If you require this option, include it in the shipping instructions you provide to the IM for your fiscal year requirements. Remember, trailers decked with Rumber are more costly than trailers decked with wood, but the higher initial cost is paid back over time by not having to replace the boards as often. Be prepared to pay the additional cost.

This information shall be forwarded by the MAJCOMs to all using activities. Please address technical questions to Barney Chandler, DSN 472-1667 or Robert Woodruff, DSN 472-1664. Any other questions should be directed to Charlene Earles, DSN 472-1644 or Marion Willis, 472-1670.

Regards,
Barney Chandler
Equipment Specialist
Tow Tractors and Trailers
580 CBSS/GBZVS
478-222-1667, DSN 472-1667
478-222-1845, DSN Fax 472-1845