



# Product Safety Bulletin

**Date:** September 13, 2004

**Product Line:** Snowmobile

**Bulletin No:** 2005-1-01

**Subject:** Red Plastic Skis

## Affected Models:

All 2004 Firecat and Sabercat Models Equipped with Production Red Plastic Skis

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### What is the reason for this notice?

In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, Arctic Cat is voluntarily replacing all red plastic skis on a variety of 2004 Firecat and Sabercat snowmobile models.

**Stop Sale Immediately of 2004 Firecat and Sabercat models equipped with Arctic Cat production red plastic skis.**

■ **NOTE:** On December 12, 2003, Arctic Cat initiated a recall on red plastic skis used on various 2003 Firecat snowmobiles. This new recall alert is in addition to the original recall of December 12, 2003, and includes the 2004 Firecat and Sabercat models which were already produced when the initial recall of 2003 models took place. Testing by Arctic Cat indicates that the red plastic skis used on the 2004 Firecat and Sabercat models could be damaged by UV exposure.

### What is the problem?

The red plastic skis may have been affected by UV light exposure during summer storage. This condition may degrade the structural integrity of the skis. Arctic Cat has no report of failures; however, thorough ongoing product evaluation has determined the negative effects of UV damage.

## **WARNING**

**Do not operate or permit anyone to operate an affected snowmobile. Severe personal injury may result if ski failure occurs.**

### What models are affected?

Any and all 2004 Firecat and Sabercat models equipped with Arctic Cat production red plastic skis.

### What should you do?

1) Please contact all your customers and assist them in completing the necessary service work.

■ **NOTE:** Arctic Cat will send a letter to all registered owners of an affected snowmobile concerning this Product Safety Bulletin (letter is attached).

2) Order an appropriate number of Ski Replacement Update Kit (p/n 0637-282) through normal parts-ordering channels. Your dealership Parts Account will be billed and then credited upon receipt of a Warranty Claim Request form and a 4 in. section from the tip of each red plastic ski that is replaced.

■ **NOTE:** It is necessary to return a section from each ski tip to ensure that the skis have been replaced and that they are no longer useable. You must hold the affected parts for 90 days. Within the 90 day holding period, Arctic Cat will send you a parts return notice.

■ **NOTE:** Ski Replacement Update Kit (p/n 0637-282) will include two Black Plastic Skis (p/n 1703-109) and hardware for installing the replacement skis.

### **Warranty:**

A labor allowance of 0.6 hr will be paid per affected snowmobile.  
Cat Tracker Claim: Enter BS200501 in the Complaint section.  
Manual Claim: Enter 0501 in the Complaint section.

If you have any questions concerning this Product Safety Bulletin, call Arctic Cat at 1-800-279-2281.