Safety Recall Notice

Some Giant brand bicycles were sold equipped with disc brakes and a front quick release lever that can come into contact with the front disc brake when improperly adjusted or left open while riding. An example of a bicycle with a front quick-release cam lever that is able to be opened far enough to create this potential contact is shown in Figure 1 below. An example of a bicycle with a front quick-release cam lever that does not have the potential for contact with the disc brake is shown in Figure 2. When a quick release like the one shown in Figure 1 is improperly adjusted or left open on a bicycle which also has a front disc brake, the quick release lever can become caught in the front disc brake assembly. If this happens, the front wheel could separate or come to a sudden stop and the rider could lose control of the bicycle posing a serious risk of injury.



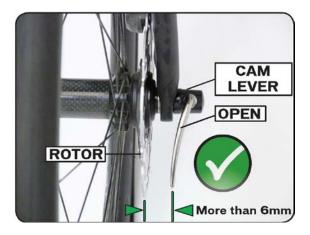


Figure 1. Quick-release lever with potential for contact

Figure 2. Quick-release lever with adequate clearance

AFFECTED MODEL: The only Giant brand bicycle model affected by this recall is the **2004 model year VT3 model**, of which approximately 1380 were sold in the U.S. The recall does not involve any other models of Giant brand bicycles. If you have a Giant VT3 model bicycle, please contact your local authorized Giant retailer or Giant Bicycle at (866) 458-2555. You will need the serial number from your bicycle, which can be found embossed on the bottom of the bicycle where the seat tube intersects with the down tube (the bottom-bracket shell.) A photograph of the 2004 model year VT3 model can be found below:



WHAT GIANT BICYCLE WILL DO FOR OWNERS OF A RECALLED BICYCLE: If you own a Giant brand bicycle that is subject to this recall, Giant Bicycle will provide you—through your local authorized Giant retailer— a free set of front and rear replacement quick releases, including free installation. Please see your local authorized Giant retailer or contact Giant Bicycle with questions at (866) 458-2555.