TenPoint/Wicked Ridge Trigger Safety Recall to Inspect and Repair: Consumer Self-Test Procedure

Thank you for participating in TenPoint's voluntary recall to self-test, and if necessary, repair certain TenPoint and Wicked Ridge crossbows. This recall is being conducted in cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission. The following test instructions are provided so you can determine if your crossbow must be returned for repair. A video demonstration of the test procedure, along with other information about the recall can be viewed at www.tenpointcrossbows.com.

For your safety, please note the following before conducting the test:

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- Do not conduct this test if you lack experience cocking and shooting your Wicked Ridge or TenPoint crossbow; if you are not familiar with the safe-use rules contained in both brands' Owner's Manual; or if you do not feel comfortable conducting the inspection. Instead, call TenPoint at 1-800-548-6837 between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. eastern time Monday-Friday to speak to a representative that can guide you through the necessary steps.
- <u>Do not load an arrow in your crossbow while conducting the following five-step test.</u> After completing the test, however, you will need to load an arrow and shoot your crossbow to uncock it. (It is not safe to manually uncock a crossbow. We recommend shooting an arrow or a Crossbow Unloading Bolt or CUB, a proprietary TenPoint product.)

Test Procedure:

Please review the test procedure in its entirety before beginning the test.

Step 1: Following the instructions in your Owner's Manual, cock your crossbow, starting with the safety knob in the "FIRE" or RED position. The bowstring will automatically engage the safety.

Then, test that the safety is engaged by pushing the brass safety knob toward the "SAFE" or WHITE position. It will move or "give" about 1/16th of an inch. When you let go, it will spring or bounce back the same distance. This "bounce-back" motion or effect confirms that the safety is engaged. Remember the "bounce-back" effect. You will check for it again in Step 4.

Step 2: Pull the trigger while the safety is engaged. We call this "preloading" the trigger. The bow will not fire.

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Other than in conducting this test, and as with any crossbow or firearm, never touch or pull the trigger while the safety is engaged.

- Step 3: Move the safety slide to the RED or "FIRE" position, but do not pull the trigger.
- Step 4: Attempt to return the safety slide to the WHITE or "SAFE" position.

Again, test for the "bounce-back" motion or effect as you did in Step 1. If you experience the $1/16^{th}$ of an inch "bounce-back", the safety is engaged, and you do not need to return your crossbow for repair.

If the safety slide will not move completely to the **WHITE** or "**SAFE**" position and, therefore, does not display the bounce-back effect:

- Your safety is not engaged and you must contact TenPoint to arrange to return your crossbow for repair.
- **Do not pull the trigger**, as the bow may fire.
- Proceed to Step 5 to re-engage the safety.

Step 5: If your safety did not re-engage, you must re-engage it by forcefully pulling the bowstring as if you were cocking the crossbow.

The bowstring will re-engage the safety. Test once more for the "bounce-back" effect to confirm that the safety is engaged.

After completing the test and with the safety engaged, you may then load an arrow, disengage the safety and discharge the arrow to un-cock your crossbow.

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To help prevent risk of injury:

- Always follow the Owner's Manual safety protocol for loading an arrow and discharging it.
- Always point your crossbow in a safe direction. It is a deadly weapon. Never point it at or toward another person or toward anything you do not intend to shoot.
- When target shooting, always set up in a safe, open area with a proper target and backstop.
- Make certain others are well behind you when you are shooting. People standing beside you are vulnerable to injury if, among other things, a string, cable, or limb were to break.

If you have further questions about this test or to arrange to return an affected crossbow for repair, please call TenPoint Customer Service at 1-800-548-6837 between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. eastern time Monday-Friday.