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American Classic initiated the filing of a voluntary recall of the American Classic ultralight cassette rear hubs for road and mountain bikes manufactured from January 1, 2005 to June 5, 2005. American Classic is awaiting final approval from the US Consumer Product Safety Commission. There have been no reported injuries. American Classic believes it is important to give advance notice of the recall and provide riders the necessary information for safety reasons.

There is a manufacturing error in the cam plate, which may cause the cassette body to improperly engage. American Classic asks that riders stop riding the rear hub/rear wheel until a bike shop mechanic installs a new cam plate.

All American Classic aftermarket rear wheels are subject to the recall as well as the following 2005 bike models which are reported to have the American Classic rear wheels or rear hubs:

- Fuji Team Superlight
- Orbea Aletta, Onix, Lobular 50, Dama Race, Mitis Dama, Mitis
- Felt F55 and F2C
- Fetish Road and Mountain Bikes
- Argon 18
- Motobecane LeChampion

The way to **identify** if your rear hub is subject to the recall is to:

First, determine if the rear hub/rear wheel was purchased/manufactured after January 1, 2005

Second, look at the outside of the rear hub shell for the serial number. The serial number is printed on the center of the hub shell opposite to the American Classic logo. The serial numbers involved in the recall start with the letter "S".

The **solution** is American Classic will provide *free* replacement cam plates and instructions for hubs under the recall. A bike shop labor voucher is available if required. Wheels and hubs do not need to be sent back to American Classic for the replacement. Please contact American Classic to receive a new cam plate and instructions at our toll free recall line 1-800-345-8356 and have your serial number available. International callers, please call 813-514-2349. Email recall@amclassic.com

American Classic apologizes for any inconvenience this has caused and thanks the riders and bike shops for their patience and support.