

## Important information concerning forestay fitting 517-914 (2004 – 2008)

Dear Sir/Madame,

It has been brought to our attention that a few forestay fittings of this design have failed due to a crack in the welding. The crack develops along the weld on the rear side of the fitting inside the mast. It is not visible from the outside. The suspect production batches were used during the period 2004-2008.

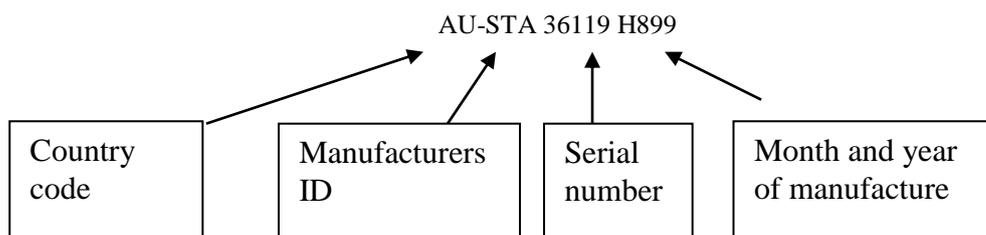


All the failed fittings origin from long distance cruising boats with inadequate rig tune and long periods of sailing using only the genoa.

Only masts exposed to forestay loads exceeding a critical limit are at risk and we have listed all of these boats, see below.

We kindly ask you for your cooperation and suggest the following action plan to be completed before the boat is sailed again:

1. Check, before further sailing is done, if your boat is on the list below. If so, please verify that your mast has a forestay fitting marked with the article number 517-914. The number is stamped in the stainless plate and is easy to check from the outside. If your forestay fitting is marked with 517-914-A you already have the improved version and there is no need for a replacement.
2. If that is the case, please fill out and send the [digital form](#) for contacting Seldén.
3. Seldén will immediately deliver a replacement fitting, art no 517-914-90 and decide when and where the replacement will be carried through – naturally in agreement with the owner of the boat.
4. When the exchange is completed, please would you leave the original fitting with the nearest Seldén Service centre. They are all listed on our website. Please mark the fitting with your name and the ID number of your boat. The ID number is engraved in to the stern of the hull and has the format (example):



If the boat is no longer in your possession, we kindly ask you to inform us the name and contact details of the new owner.

Seldén's commitment is limited to providing a new fitting with instructions, and being available for consultation by phone or email during the exchange of the fitting. We do not compensate lost usage or lost revenues from charter operations or any other costs relating to this re call.

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**PLEASE NOTE!**

**Forestay fittings marked with article number 517-924, used 2007 and onwards, are not affected by this re call.**



We regret this unfortunate situation but would like to stress the importance of immediate action in order to guarantee safe and pleasant sailing.

Best regards,  
 Seldén Mast AB

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<b>The following boats are affected, model years 2004-2008</b>			
Arcona 460	Najad 400	Comet Pheonix 50	Falcon 44
Bavaria 46	Najad 405	Incistor	Van de Stadt 44 Phaff
Dehler 47 Rod	Najad 440	NIC 45	Van de Stadt 44 Pol
Elan Impression 434	Omega 46	Reflex 38 Option 2	Hunter 426
Finnulf 44 19/20	Pronavia 42 Sport	Southerly 42RS	Hunter 49
Hallberg Rassy 40	Salona 45	Van de Stadt 44	Saga 409
Maxi 1300	Sweden Yacht 42	Brouwer 45 Conv	
Najad 460	Sweden Yacht 45	Etap 46 DS	

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