



BLUE BIRD

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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
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Washington, DC 20590

ATTENTION: VIN COORDINATOR

Pursuant to the requirements of 49 CFR 565.26, I am providing an updated reissue of the decipher information previously submitted in October 2012.

The VIN decipher document is reissued due to the following changes:

Section two

“Engine Type” character 7

Add the following character and attributes

E = FORD 6.8 GASOLINE

M = FORD 6.8 CNG

R = CUMMINS 5.0L V8

Remove the following characters and attributes due to obsolescence

K = CATERPILLAR C7

5 = GM 8.1 LPG

Please find enclosed the complete, current VIN decoder for Blue Bird Body Company.

Best regards,

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Cc: 49 CFR Part 565 file
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BLUE BIRD V.I.N. DESCRIPTION

SECTION	DIGIT	CHARACTER NAME	AVAILABLE CHARACTERS
FIRST	1	COUNTRY	1 = USA
	2	MANUFACTURER	B = Blue Bird
	3	TYPE	A = Bus
			B = MPV
			C = Truck
			D = Incomplete Vehicle
			E-G is Reserved

SECOND	4	LINE (Products)	B = All American / All Canadian	
			D = Shell All American	
			J = Shell Commercial Series	
			K = BB Conventional	
			M = Shell BB Conventional	
			Y = Chassis Only	
	5	SERIES (Body Model)	A = 1800 - 2199	J = 3503 - 3604
			B = 2200 - 2509	K = 3605 - 3706
			C = 2510 - 2700	L = 3707 - 3808
			D = 2701 - 2809	M = 3809 - 3903
			E = 2810 - 3006	N = 3904 - 4100
			F = 3007 - 3108	P = 4101 - 4300
			G = 3109 - 3400	R = 4301 - 4500
			H = 3401 - 3502	
	6	BODY TYPE	B = Rear Engine	
			C = Front Engine	
	7	ENGINE TYPE Note: The engine type character denotes all engines of that make and model, regardless of horsepower, EPA certification, etc	A = CUMMINS ISL CNG	
			B = FORD 6.8 LPG	
			C = CUMMINS ISL	
			E = FORD 6.8 GASOLINE	
M = FORD 6.8 CNG				
P = CUMMINS ISB				
R = CUMMINS 5.0L V8				
X = CUMMINS ISC				

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	8	BRAKE SYSTEM (if BUS) or	A = Air
			H = Hydraulic
		GVWR (if MPV)	6 = 19501 - 26000 lbs
			7 = 26001 - 33000 lbs
		8 = 33001 lbs and over	

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FOURTH	10	VEHICLE MODEL YEAR	W = 1998	A = 2010
			X = 1999	B = 2011
			Y = 2000	C = 2012
			1 = 2001	D = 2013
			2 = 2002	E = 2014
			3 = 2003	F = 2015
			4 = 2004	G = 2016
			5 = 2005	H = 2017
			6 = 2006	J = 2018
			7 = 2007	K = 2019
	8 = 2008	L = 2020		
	9 = 2009	M = 2021		
	11	PLANT OF MANUFACTURE	F = Fort Valley	
	12	PRODUCTION SEQUENCE NUMBER Note: Prior to July 5, 1998, the sequence number was the BODY number. On or after that date, the sequence number is the CHASSIS number.		
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