

May X, 2016

To: Hospitals and Surgeons

Subject: URGENT FIELD SAFETY NOTICE - REMOVAL

FSN/FSCA: FA 2016-03

Affected Product: Zimmer Biomet / Normed Fender Titanium Plates

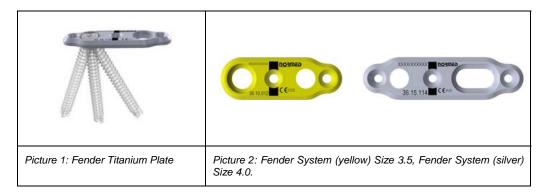
Dear Sirs,

As a precautionary measure, Zimmer GmbH is initiating a voluntary recall of Fender Titanium Plates that may be in your inventories. Please see attachment 1 for the involved part numbers.

The Fender System 3.5 / 4.0, Titanium plating system is intended for temporary epiphysiodesis and growth control.

During monitoring of the products a potential risk was recently identified. Indeed the screw head might go through the bore hole of the plate, due to a potential tolerance issue during the manufacturing. If the screw head would slip through the plate's hole, the plate might become loose and the system does not work as intended.

Our records indicate that you may have received one or more of the potentially affected products.



#### Risk

- If an affected product is used, the issue might be noticed intra operatively by the surgeon, and a new available system must be used which creates a potential slight delay in the surgery time.
- For the Fender Titanium Plates already implanted, the standard protocol for follow up of patients (for example X-rays controls) applies. The plates are intended to be removed within short term as soon as the intended correction in the patient is reached.
- If the standard protocol for follow up would show that the screw head went through the hole of the plate, the surgeon must assess the situation and if adequate, the system must be removed with or without replacement. In case of a replacement, the Zimmer Biomet/ Normed system is however currently not available till further notice.



 As the issue might not systematically occur, no preventive removal of the implanted systems is recommended.

#### Your Responsibilities

- 1. Review the notification immediately and ensure affected personnel are aware of the contents without delay.
- 2. Assist your Zimmer Biomet sales representative with the quarantine of any device mentioned in attachment 1.
- 3. Your Zimmer Biomet sales representative will remove the affected device, if any, from your facility.
- 4. Complete the Certification of Acknowledgement from (Attachment 2) and return to fieldaction.emea@zimmerbiomet.com.
- 5. If after reviewing this notification you have further questions or concerns please contact your local Zimmer Biomet representative.

#### **Vigilance Information**

Kind regards,

This voluntary notification will be reported to the local Competent Authorities.

Any adverse reactions experienced with the use of these products, and/or quality problems may also be reported according to MEDDEV 2.12-1 Rev. 8 or any relevant requirements to the local health authority in your country.

Please keep Zimmer Biomet GmbH informed of any adverse events associated with this device or any other Zimmer Biomet product. Adverse events may be reported to Zimmer Biomet at <a href="winterthur.per@zimmerbiomet.com">winterthur.per@zimmerbiomet.com</a>, or to your local Zimmer Biomet representative.



# **Attachment 1**

# Product Scope

Device Name	Ref. No.
FENDER TITAN PLATE 12 MM, SYSTEM 3,5 ONE SIDE ONLY	36.10.012
FENDER TITAN PLATE 10 MM, SYSTEM 3.5 DOUBLE-SIDE	36.10.110
FENDER TITAN PLATE 12 MM, SYSTEM 3,5 DOUBLE-SIDE	36.10.112
FENDER TITAN PLATE 16 MM, SYSTEM 4,0 ONE SIDE ONLY	36.15.016
FENDER TITAN PLATE 14 MM, SYSTEM 4,0 DOUBLE-SIDE	36.15.114
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# Attachment 2 Certificate of Acknowledgement

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Please email or fax the completed form to	your local Zimmer Biomet contact
Fax / Email	
By signing below, I acknowledge that I have Urgent Field Safety Notice – Removal, and t accordance with the notice:  1. Return parts in inventory 2. Fill the list below 3. Sign the form	
Product reference	Quantity to return
All parts received were implanted.	
Printed Name:	
Signature:	
Hospital Name:	
Hospital Address:	
Phone Number:	

Please maintain a copy of your completed form with your internal records.



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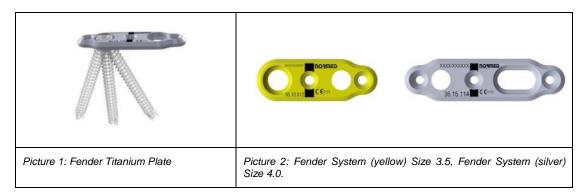
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- 1. Review the notification and ensure affected personnel are aware of the contents.
- 2. Locate all affected product identified above and quarantine them immediately.
- 3. Carry out a physical count of all affected product in your territory and complete the Inventory Return Certification Form (Attachment 2). Email a completed copy of Attachment 2 to fieldaction.emea@zimmerbiomet.com
- 4. Return any affected product within your possession and from hospital accounts within your territory. Clearly mark the outside of all return packages, "Recall," and include a copy of the Inventory Return Certification form (Attachment 2) with your return shipment(s).
- 5. Provide an additional accounts form to <a href="mailto:fieldaction.emea@zimmerbiomet.com">fieldaction.emea@zimmerbiomet.com</a> for any hospitals to which you provided affected product that Zimmer Biomet has not already notified.
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# **ATTACHMENT 2**

## <u>IMMEDIATE RESPONSE REQUIRED –TIME SENSITIVE ACTION NEEDED</u>

**Inventory Return Certification Form** 

Affected Product: Zimmer Biomet / Normed Fender Titanium Plates

Territory Number	er: Ac	count Number:				
Account Name:						
Account Addres	ss:	Phone Number:				
	ne affected products t nber, and quantity:	o the following addr	ess with a spr	eadsheet o	ontaining	j item
		Zimmer Bio International Logis Attn: Tim No Max-Immelmann 79427 Eschbach	tics GmbH wak -Allee 12 Germany			
	lit My Account:					
An exhaustive search for the affected lots has been performed and all available affected product is being returned to Zimmer Biomet. If No, please specify:		Check one of the following:				
		Yes	No			
	Item No.	Lot No.	Qty to be.	Returned		
l	Certi	ficate of Acknowle	dgement:			
By signing below notice.	, I acknowledge that th	e required actions ha	ve been taken	in accordan	ce with th	e Reca
Printed Name:		Signature	·			
Title:		Telephone: ( )	<del></del>	_ Date:	_//_	
be considered o copy to: <u>fieldac</u> returns. Clearly	and affected product closed for your accou tion.emea@zimmerbi mark the outside car opy of your complete	nt. It is your responsomet.com, in addition to of each product	sibility to com on to including return shipme ords.	plete this f g a copy wi ent made as	orm and o	email a