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CONTACT: **Bicycle Recall Hotline: (877) 211-3525**

CPSC CONTACT CPSC Contact Yolanda Fultz-Morris

(301) 504-0580 Ext 1219

CPSC, By Us International Co. Ltd. Announce Recall of Bicycle Components

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), By Us International Co. Ltd., of Taiwan, is recalling about 13,500 Ballistic front suspension forks installed on certain Brunswick mountain bicycles. The forks on these bicycles can break apart, causing riders to lose control and fall.

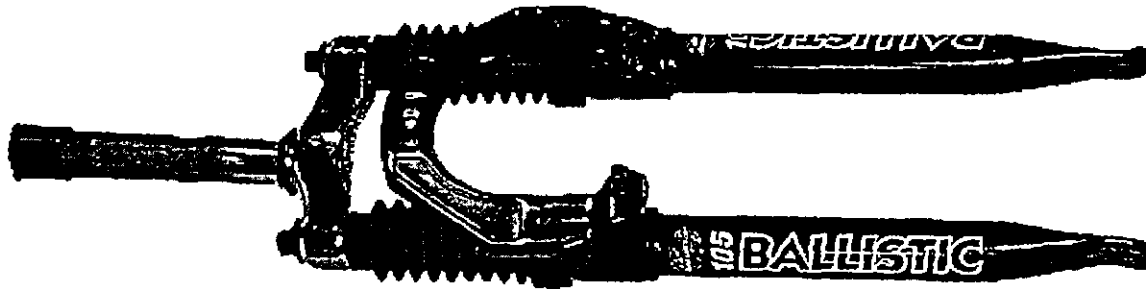
By Us and Brunswick have received 18 reports of forks on these bicycles breaking resulting in nine riders, including teenagers, suffering serious head and bodily injuries, abrasions, bruises and chipped teeth.

The recalled forks were installed on Mongoose S-20 and MGX S-20 bicycles, which are orange, and the Roadmaster Ridge Rider bicycles, which is red. The forks on these bikes are black with decals that read "BALLISTIC" and "105" on the sides of the suspension fork legs. A serial number is located on the inside of the suspension fork legs. The recall only includes forks with the following serial numbers:

BA10044001 through BA10049000
BA10050001 through BA10051000
BAX0001251 through BAX0006750
BAX0006781 through BAX0007080
98022087 through 98027843

Discount department and toy stores nationwide sold these bicycles from September 1998 through May 2000 for between \$125 and \$150.

Consumers should immediately stop using these bicycles and call Brunswick Bicycles for information on receiving a free replacement fork, including installation. Call Brunswick toll-free at (877) 211-3525 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. CT Monday through Friday.



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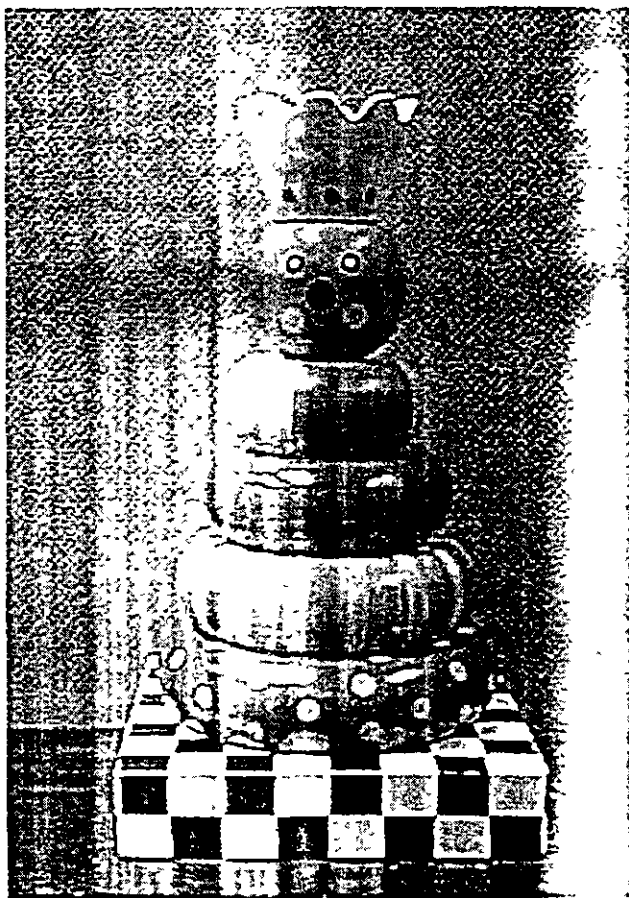
Release # 00-107a

CPSC Contact: Kim Dulic

(301) 504-0580 Ext. 1183

CPSC, Jack Rabbit Creations Recall Wooden Stacking Toys

PRODUCT: Wooden Stacking Toys - Jack Rabbit Creations Inc., of Atlanta, Ga., is recalling about 9,000 hand-painted, wooden stacking toys called Stacking King. These stacking toys have seven interlocking multi-colored, doughnut-shaped pieces mounted on pegs. The pieces are green with blue pok-a-dots, orange with yellow stripes, and purple with green swirls. The bases of these toys have black and white checked squares. The top of the toy has a round, hand-painted face with a wooden yellow crown. A label on the toys packaging reads in part, "Stacking King," "Jack Rabbit Creations" and "Made in China." Specialty and Gift shops have sold these products from February 1999 through April 2000 for about \$25.



PROBLEM The wooden peg in the black and white checked base can come off, presenting a choking hazard to young children

INCIDENTS/INJURIES Jack Rabbit Creations has received four reports of the pegs coming loose. No injuries have been reported.

WHAT TO DO. Consumers should take the toys away from young children immediately and contact the company for a free replacement base and a small toy. To order the base or for more information, call Jack Rabbit Creations toll free at (888) 376-5225.

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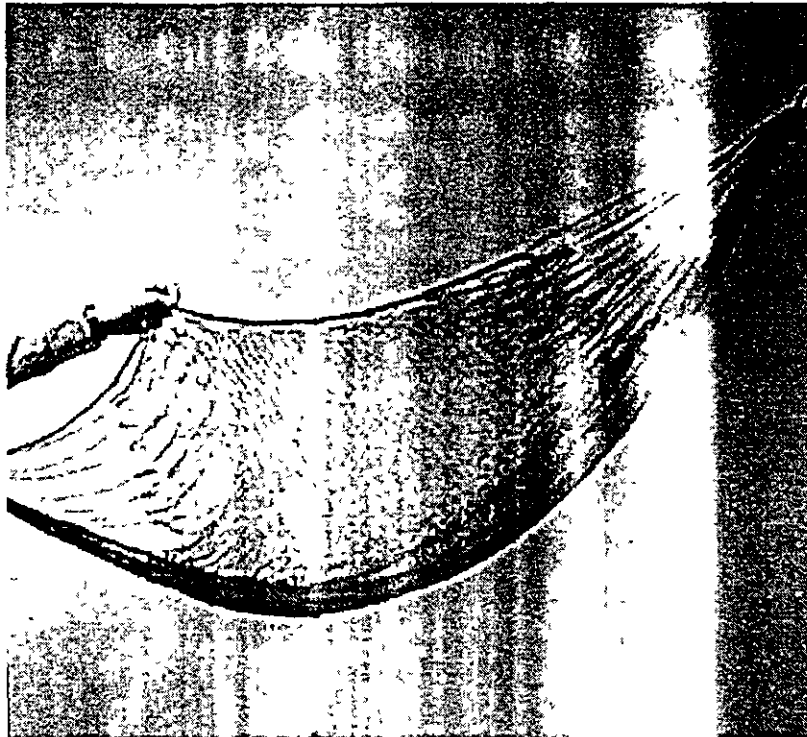
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Release # 00-107b

CPSC Contact Kim Dulic
(301) 504-0580 Ext. 1183

CPSC, Hangouts Recall Baby Hammocks

PRODUCT: Baby Hammocks - Hangouts, of Boulder Colo , is recalling about 350 baby hammocks. The "baby hammocks" are 6-foot-long mini-hammocks. They are woven from thin cotton strings with nylon end strings in solid or multi-stripped colors. The label attached to the end loop reads, "Hangouts® from Bellartson" and "Woven by Hand in MEXICO." The Hangout store in Boulder, Colo , and its catalogs sold these hammocks as model number MY-BB-1110 from January 1990 through September 1999 for about \$20.



PROBLEM: These baby hammocks can suddenly become twisted around children's necks and strangle them. Also, infants sleeping on soft bedding can become wedged in positions in which they cannot breathe.

INCIDENTS/INJURIES: No incidents or injuries have been reported in these hammocks, but between 1984 and 1995, CPSC received reports of 12 deaths of children in other mini-hammocks.

WHAT TO DO: Consumers with one of these hammocks should stop using it immediately, and return it to Hangouts for a free, standard single hammock (model MY-SS-1130). For more information, call Hangout at (800) 205-4916 anytime.

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CONTACT: Warner Bros. Recall Hotline: (800) 795-9277

CPSC CONTACT: Kim Dulic

(301) 504-0580 Ext. 1183

CPSC, Warner Bros. Studio Store Announce Recall of Tweety Rattles and Sandals

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Warner Bros. Studio Store, of Burbank, Calif., (Warner Bros. Store) is recalling about 3,800 Tweety rattles and 1,000 pairs of Tweety sandals. Both products are being recalled because small parts of each product can detach and pose a choking hazard to young children.

CPSC and Warner Bros. Studio Store have received three reports of parents removing detached parts of sandals and a rattle from their babies' mouths. No injuries have been reported.

Rattle Recall

The rattle is sold as part of a Tweety Bib, Rattle and Spoon Set. The rattle, which is covered with a yellow cloth and is approximately 5 inches long, is a Tweety image and has a small blue and white bib (about 1.5 inches wide and 1.4 inches long) tied around Tweety's neck. Tweety's bib can detach, posing a choking hazard to a young child.

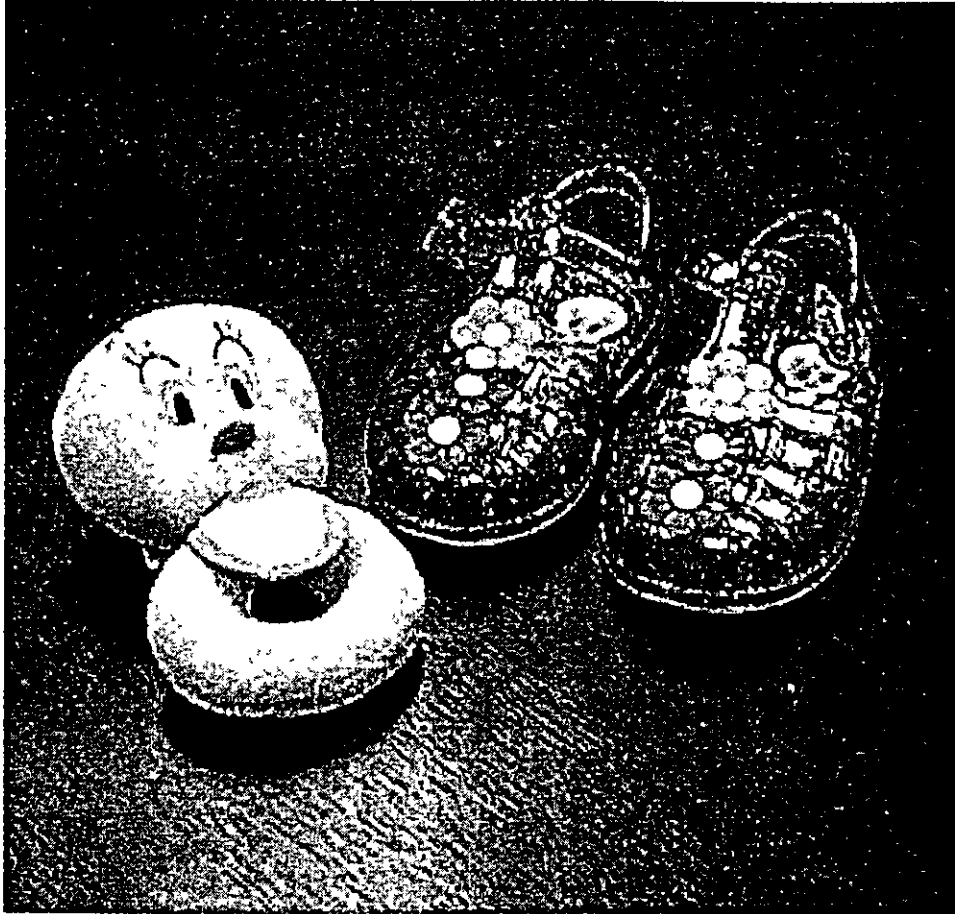
Warner Bros. Stores nationwide sold the Tweety Bib, Rattle and Spoon Sets from August 1998 through January 2000 for about \$15.

Sandals Recall

The Tweety sandals are girls' jelly swimwear sandals made of transparent pink plastic with embedded sparkles and a picture on the inside soles of Tweety sitting on flowers. The sandals were sold in infant sizes from 3 to 15 months. The sandals have three round plastic flowers on the top surface. The flowers can detach, posing a choking hazard to a young child.

Warner Bros. Stores nationwide sold the sandals from February 2000 through April 2000 for about \$10.

Consumers should take these products away from children immediately and return them to a Warner Bros. Store for a refund. For more information regarding these recalls, consumers should call Warner Bros. Store toll-free at (800) 795-9277 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. PT Monday through Friday.



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May 31, 2000

Release # 00-116

CONTACT: Kids II Recall Hotline (877) 325-7056

CPSC Contact: Nychelle Fleming

(301) 504-0580 Ext 1192

CPSC, Kids II Announce Recall of Bouncer Seats

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Kids II of Alpharetta, Ga., is voluntarily recalling about 99,000 bouncer seats for in-home repair. The removable toy bar that attaches to the seat can suddenly release and cause injuries to babies.

Kids II has received 122 reports of toy bars suddenly releasing from bouncer seats, resulting in 31 injuries to babies, including a black eye, a scraped eye, and facial cuts.

Only Kids II bouncer seats with semi-circular toy bars are recalled. These bouncer seats were sold under the names "Soft Toy Bouncer Seat" or "Comfort Me Bouncer." The Kids II logo is embroidered on each seat's crotch strap. The bouncer seats have a ruffled seat pad in three patterns: a black, white and red cow print; a teddy bear, rocking horse and toy box print; and a nursery rhyme print. Each pattern has certain model and lot numbers, which are found on a tag attached to the seat. The Comfort Me Bouncers feature vibration and soothing sounds, including music, waves and heartbeat. Each semi-circular toy bar has three toys. Some of the recalled seats came with white toy bar tethers.

Mass merchandise and juvenile specialty stores nationwide sold the seats from October 1997 through April 2000 for about \$25 to \$35.

Consumers should remove the semi-circular toy bars immediately and contact Kids II for an in-home repair kit. Consumers can continue to use the bouncer seat for the baby to sit in as long as the toy bar is removed. Consumers should call Kids II toll-free at (877) 325-7056 between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. ET Monday through Friday for a free repair kit.

Kids II bouncer seats with rectangular shaped toy bars are not subject to this recall.



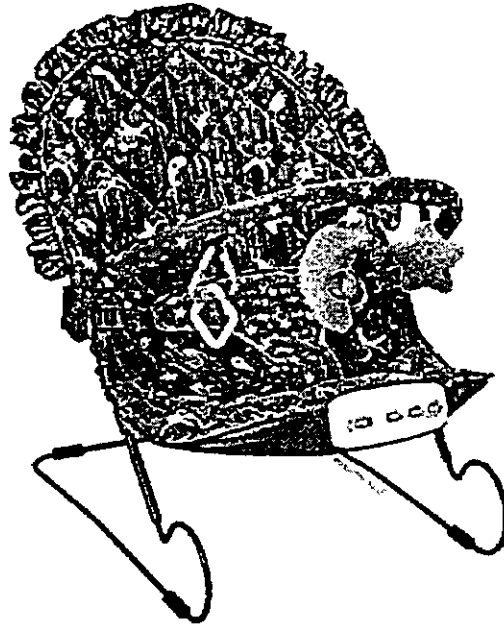
Consumers can also view a [video clip](#) about this recall. This is in "[streaming video](#)" format.



Model 6657, toy box fabric Lot numbers 10875, 10930



**Model 6652, cow print fabric Lot numbers 9697,
10257, 10263, 10404, 10487, 10563, 10780, 10818**



Model 6659, nursery rhyme fabric Lot number 11003

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CPSC Contact: Kim Dulic

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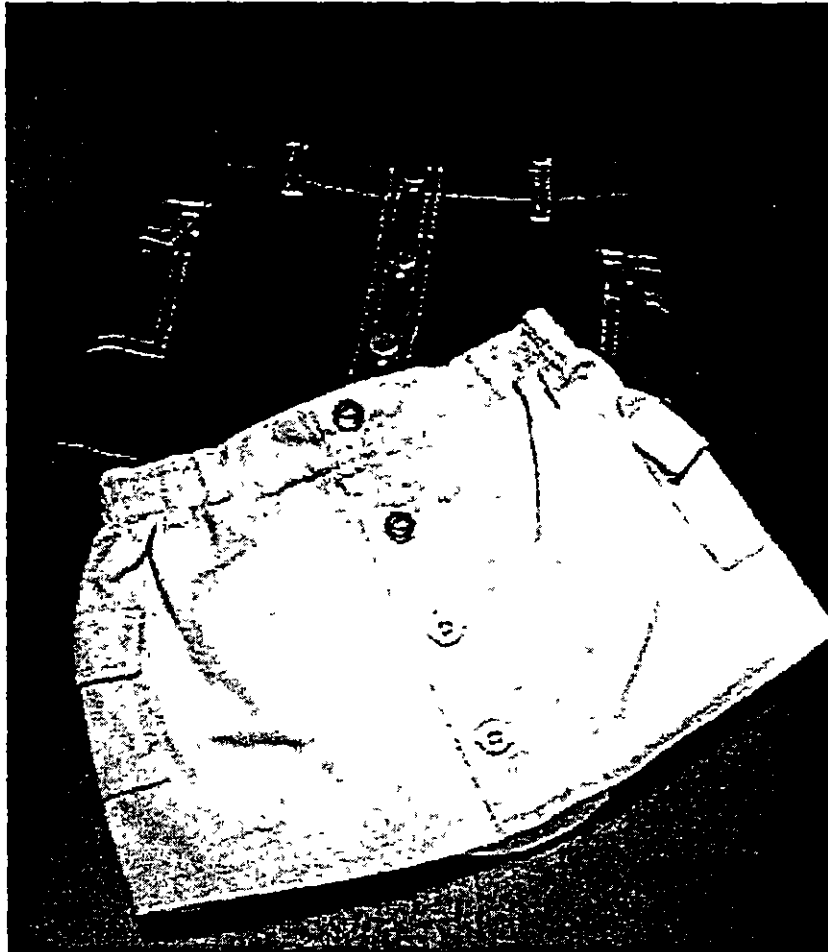
Infant Cargo Skirts Recalled by Associated Merchandising Corp.

PRODUCT. Infant Cargo Skirts - The Associated Merchandising Corp (AMC) of New York, N Y., is voluntarily recalling 9,500 infant girls' cargo skirts. The cargo skirts are made of either 100 percent cotton khaki twill or 100 percent denim, and have an attached panty. They are sold in sizes 12, 18 and 24 months. The khaki style skirt's inside label reads "Baby You're it!" or "Bebe by Cradlecraft" and "MADE IN SRI LANKA." The denim style skirt's inside label reads "Baby You're it" and "MADE IN INDONESIA." Clothing and department stores nationwide sold these cargo skirts from January 2000 through March 2000 for between \$14 and \$16.

PROBLEM. The snaps on the panty of these skirts can detach, posing a choking hazard to young children.

INCIDENTS/INJURIES: None reported

WHAT TO DO. Consumers should stop using these skirts immediately and return them to the store where purchased for a refund. Consumers also can return them by mail, and will be reimbursed for postage. For more information, call AMC collect at (212) 819-6564 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday.



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CONTACT: Playtex Recall Hotline: (800) 522-8230

CPSC Contact: Nychelle Fleming

(301) 504-0580 Ext. 1192

Playtex Contact: Martin Petersen

(201) 785-8080

Playtex Products Voluntarily Announces Pacifier Recall in Cooperation with CPSC

WASHINGTON, D C - In cooperation with the U S Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Playtex Products Inc , of Westport, Conn , is voluntarily recalling about 1.8 million *Classic Patterns "Cherubs"* and *Soft Comfort* latex pacifiers. Because the latex is aging faster than normal, the nipple can detach from the shield, presenting a choking hazard to babies.

Playtex has received 21 reports of pacifier nipples detaching from the shields. No injuries have been reported.

Only *Classic Patterns "Cherubs"* and *Soft Comfort* latex pacifiers are being recalled. The *Classic Patterns* pacifiers have the word "*Cherubs*" embossed in bold block letters on the colored knob of the pacifier shield. The *Soft Comfort* pacifiers have a soft, butterfly- shaped shield, available with or without a swivel handle. The word "*Playtex*" is embossed on the pacifier's swivel handle. The pacifiers come in a variety of colors and designs. They were packaged individually or in sets of two.

UPC Code	Product Name
078300-05448-1	Soft Comfort Pacifier - 1 Pack
078300-05442-9	Soft Comfort Angled Orthodontic Pacifier - 1 Pack
078300-05528-0	Soft Comfort Pacifier - 2 Pack
078300-05529-7	Soft Comfort Angled Orthodontic Pacifier - 2 Pack
078300-01023-4	Classic Patterns/Cherubs Oval Pacifier - 1 Pack
078300-01118-7	Classic Patterns/Cherubs Angled Orthodontic Pacifier - 1 Pack
078300-01024-1	Classic Patterns/Cherubs Oval Pacifier - 2 Pack
078300-01128-6	Classic Patterns/Cherubs Angled Orthodontic Pacifier - 2 Pack
078300-01041-8	Classic Patterns/Cherubs Pacifier & Holder Set

Stores nationwide sold the pacifiers before June 2000 for about \$2 to \$4, depending on whether it was a single or double pack.

Consumers should stop using the recalled pacifiers immediately and return them directly to Playtex for a free replacement pacifier or a \$3 coupon toward the purchase of another Playtex infant feeding or soothing product. Consumers should send the pacifiers to Playtex Pacifiers, Playtex Products Inc., 20 Troy Road, Whippany, NJ 07981. Playtex will reimburse consumers for postage. For more information, call Playtex toll-free at (800) 522-8230 or visit their web site at www.playtexbaby.com/recall.htm.

No other Playtex pacifier is involved in this recall.



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CONTACT: Graco Recall Hotline: (800) 345-4109

CPSC Contact: Nychelle Fleming

(301) 504-0580 Ext. 1192

Graco Contact B.J. Riggins

(610) 286-5951

CPSC, Graco Announce Recall to Repair Tot Wheels® Entertainer® Infant Walkers

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Graco Children's Products Inc., of Elverson, Pa., is recalling about 31,000 Tot Wheels® Entertainer® Activity Center infant walkers for repair. These walkers can collapse unexpectedly during use and injure infants.

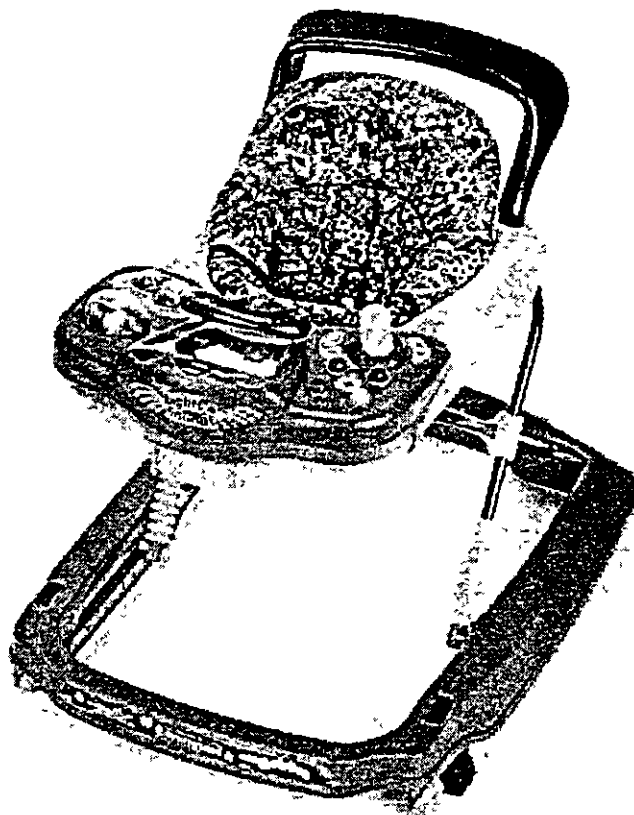
Graco has received 27 reports of these walkers collapsing. Injuries to infants have included a cut toe, a bump on the head, a sprained foot, and scrapes and bruises to legs and feet.

The recalled Tot Wheels® Entertainer® Activity Center infant walkers, with "bouncing action" and five-position height adjustment, have model numbers 4032LN or 4032BLA, located underneath the front of the walker's tray. The walker has a removable, green play tray with 12 activities, including a steering wheel, ball spinner and flashing lights. The multicolor walker has an animal-print fabric seat. "Graco Lights & Sounds" is written on a label on the walker tray. "Tot Wheels® Entertainer® Activity Center with Bounce" is written on a label on the walker's base.

Mass merchandise, juvenile products and major discount department stores nationwide, including Wal-Mart and Toys R Us, sold the walkers from September 1999 through February 2000 for about \$50.

Consumers should stop using these walkers immediately, and call Graco for a free repair kit, which includes a replacement tray, at (800) 345-4109 anytime. Consumers also can visit the Graco web site at <http://www.gracobaby.com/serv/ga3rcal8.htm>, or write to Customer Affairs, Graco Children's Products Inc., Box 100, Elverson, PA 19520.

Similar Graco products also have green play trays and print seats. Only walkers with model number 4032LN and 4032BLA are part of this recall.



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CONTACT: Jetmax Recall Hotline: (800) 880-0714

CPSC Contact: Nychelle Fleming

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CPSC, Jetmax International Ltd. Announce Recall to Repair Children's Rocking Chairs Sold at Target Stores

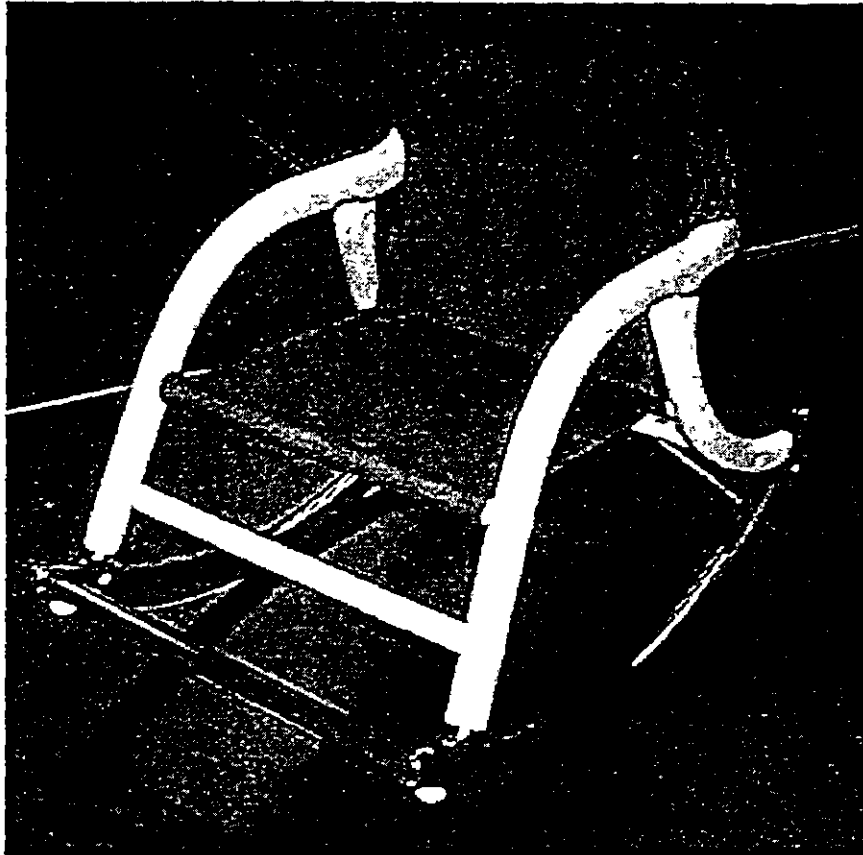
WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Jetmax International Ltd., of Stamford, Conn., is voluntarily recalling to repair about 48,000 children's rocking chairs. The rear legs of the chair can separate from the rocker's base causing it to collapse, and the child seated in the chair can fall.

Jetmax has received five reports of these chairs collapsing and children falling. One 13-month-old girl suffered a laceration requiring 18 stitches.

Jetmax imported the rocker exclusively for sale by Target stores. The wooden rocking chairs come in two styles: one for boys and one for girls. The boy's rocker has a yellow frame, red rockers (chair bases) and a blue canvas seat. The girl's rocker has a white frame, purple rockers (chair bases) and a pink canvas seat. There is no writing on the chairs, but the packaging reads, "restore™ & RESTYLE KIDS," "Wooden Folding Chair," "Ages 3 and Up," and "Made in China." The chairs are designed for children between 30 and 100 pounds. They are 23 inches long, 13 inches wide and 16.5 inches high.

Target stores nationwide sold the rocking chairs from November 1999 through March 2000 for about \$20.

Consumers should immediately stop using these rockers, and contact Jetmax International to get a free repair kit with easy installation instructions. For more information and to get the repair kit, call Jetmax International at (800) 880-0714 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday.



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CONTACT: Vtech Recall Hotline: (800) 521-2010

CPSC Contact: Nychelle Fleming

(301) 504-0580 Ext 1192

CPSC, Vtech Industries Announce Recall of Toy Baby Phone

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Vtech Industries LLC, of Wheeling, Ill. is recalling about 34,000 toy baby phones. The toy phones have a ball-shaped antenna which can detach, presenting a choking hazard to young children.

CPSC and Vtech Industries have received nine reports of the plastic ball detaching from these phones. One child reportedly started to choke on one of these plastic balls.

The toy is called Little Smart Soft Songs Baby Phone. The cordless baby phone has a mirror, four colorful talking musical buttons, a ringing light-up phone button and a red on/off button. The phone is yellow with a blue padded border and a yellow ball-shaped antenna. A label on these toys reads "Soft Songs Baby Phone 39100." Writing on the phone includes "VTECH" and "Little Smart Soft Songs Baby Phone."

Wal-mart stores nationwide sold the toy phones from January 2000 through May 2000 for about \$10.

Consumers should immediately take these toy phones away from children. For more information, contact VTech at (800) 521-2010 between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. CT Monday through Friday FOR A REPLACEMENT PHONE or visit their web site at www.vtechkids.com/html2/recall.html



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CONTACT: Today's Kids Recall Hotline: (800) 916-TOYS

CPSC Contact: Ken Giles

(301) 504-0580 Ext 1184

CPSC, Today's Kids Announce Recall of Spinning Ride Toys

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Today's Kids, of Dallas, Texas, is recalling about 103,000 spinning ride toys. The center column can break, causing a child to suddenly fall backward or be hit in the face by the broken column.

Today's Kids has received 1,427 reports of the toys' columns breaking off, resulting in five injuries. Injuries include bumps on heads, cut faces and split lips. Two children required stitches.

The Music & Lights Kidaround Spinner™ is a purple turntable with a green column through the middle, which is topped by a yellow steering wheel. The child sits on the turntable and spins around by turning on the steering wheel. The toy plays five songs and lights flash while the child is spinning. The toy's packaging indicates it is intended for children 1 1/2 to 5 years old. A sticker on the center of the steering wheel reads, "today's kids®". The battery cover, on the side of the green column reads, "MADE IN CHINA". The bottom of the turntable reads, "MADE IN U.S.A."

Toy and discount department stores nationwide sold these spinning ride toys from July 1999 through May 2000 for about \$20.

Consumers should take these spinning ride toys away from children immediately, and contact Today's Kids for instructions on how to get a free, replacement spinning toy. Call Today's Kids at (800) 916-TOYS between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. CT Monday through Friday.



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CONTACT: Galoob Hotline: (877) 598-5599

CPSC Contact Ken Giles

(301) 504-0580 Ext. 1184

CPSC, Galoob Toys Inc. Announce Recall of Sky Dancers® Flying Dolls

WASHINGTON, D C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Galoob® Toys Inc., of San Francisco, Calif., is recalling about 8.9 million Sky Dancers® flying dolls. Galoob® was purchased by Hasbro in 1998. The hard plastic Sky Dancers® dolls can fly rapidly in unpredictable directions, and can hit and injure both children and adults.

Galoob® has received 170 reports of the dolls striking children and adults resulting in 150 reports of injuries. They include eye injuries, including scratched corneas and incidents of temporary blindness, broken teeth, a mild concussion, a broken rib, and facial lacerations that required stitches.

The recalled Sky Dancers® dolls were sold in many different styles, including Pretty Lights Sky Dancers, Mini-Sky Dancers and Fairy Flyers. The princess/ballerina-type dolls have hair pulled up into a pony tail and have stiff foam wing-covered arms that propel the doll when it is launched. The launchers, sold in many shapes including dolphins, flowers, moon, ponies, and sun and rainbow, have a molded plastic base and a pull-cord. The launchers were sold in both hand-held and table-top versions. The doll is inserted into the top of the launcher feet-first, and the pull-cord is pulled to launch the doll. The packaging is labeled "Sky Dancers®", "galoob®", "MADE IN CHINA", "Ages 5 and Up Only" and "Not for children under 3 years"

Mass merchandise and toy stores nationwide sold the dolls from November 1994 through June 2000 for between \$8 to \$25.

Consumers should stop using these flying dolls immediately and call Galoob® for instructions on how to return the toy sets to receive a product of equal value. For more information, consumers should call Galoob® toll-free at (877) 598-5599 anytime, or go to the firm's web site at <http://www.galoob.com/skydancer.html>.



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CONTACT: Teether Recall Hotline: (800)525-2607

CPSC Contact: Nychelle Fleming

(301) 504-0580 Ext 1192

CPSC, Whitehall-Robins Healthcare Announce Recall of Teething Rings

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Whitehall-Robins Healthcare, of Madison, N.J., is voluntarily recalling about 475,000 teething rings. When bent, these teething rings can fit into an infant's mouth and trigger a gagging reflex. This poses a risk of vomiting, which could result in choking and aspiration.

Whitehall-Robins Healthcare has received two reports from consumers of children gagging on the teething rings, including one report of a child starting to choke.

These teethers were sold with 25 oz. tubes of Baby Anbesol® Grape Gel, an oral anesthetic. The teethers are yellow and shaped like rabbits. They are about 3 inches long and 2.25 inches high. Two holes are molded into the teething ring for infants to grasp. The packaging reads, "THE BABY'S TEETHING KIT," and "FAST TEETHING PAIN RELIEF."

Mass merchandise, drug and grocery stores nationwide sold Baby Anbesol with these teethers from May 1999 through June 2000 for about \$6.

Consumers should take these teething rings away from infants immediately. Contact Whitehall-Robins Healthcare for information on returning the teething ring in order to receive a free Anbesol® product. Consumers can call Whitehall-Robins Healthcare at (800) 525-2607 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or go to the firm's web site at <http://www3.young-america.com/2506-2/Recall.asp>.

Only the teething rings, and not the Baby Anbesol® Grape Gel, are being recalled.



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CPSC Contact Ken Giles

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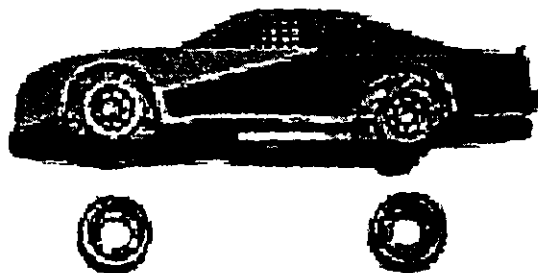
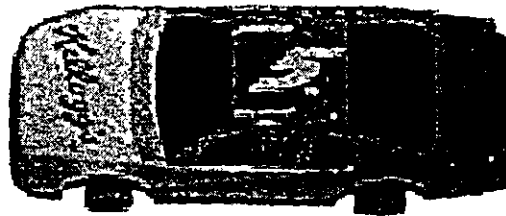
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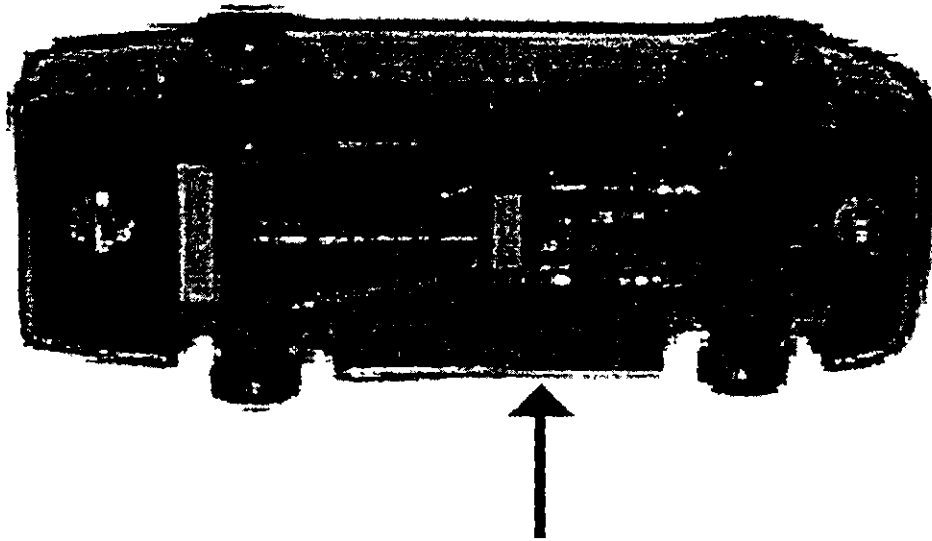
CPSC, Kellogg Company Announce Recall of Toy Cars Inside Boxes of Cereal

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Kellogg Company, of Battle Creek, Mich., is recalling 837,000 toy cars, that were packed inside some Kellogg's cereal boxes. The tires can detach from the wheels of these cars, posing a choking hazard for young children.

Kellogg has received two reports of the tires detaching from the wheels of these toy cars. No injuries have been reported.

These Nascar® Pull'N Go Hot Wheels® style toy cars are red and yellow with a white hood. Pulling the car backwards a few inches on a surface causes it to go forward. "Kellogg's™," is written on the hood, and the number "5™" and "Terry Labonte™" is written on the roof. The words "China" and "MFG. FOR KELLOGG CO.™, © 2000" are molded into the plastic underframe. No other Kellogg's® Pull'N Go cars or Hot Wheels® cars are part of this recall.





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Various club and a few grocery stores nationwide sold these cars in specially marked packages of Kellogg's® Tri-Fun-Pak™ 40-ounce box, Kellogg's® Froot Loops® 43.6-ounce box, Kellogg's® Mini-Wheats® Frosted Bite Size 58 8-ounce box, and Kellogg's® Crispix® 31.4-ounce box. The cars were distributed inside boxes of these cereals from March 2000 through June 2000.

Consumers should take these toy cars away from young children immediately, and send the cars to Kellogg to get a free replacement item and reimbursement for postage. Send the car, along with your name and address to Kellogg Company, P O Box 185654, Battle Creek MI 49018-5654. For more information, visit Kellogg's [web site](#) or call Kellogg Co. at (800) 962-0037 anytime.

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CONTACT: Burley Recall Hotline: (800) 311-5294

CPSC CONTACT: Kim Dulic

(301) 504-0580 Ext 1183

CPSC, Burley Design Cooperative Announce Recall to Repair Burley-Bravo™ Bicycle Trailers

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Burley Design Cooperative, of Eugene, Ore., is voluntarily recalling about 2,200 Burley-Bravo™ bicycle trailers, used to transport young children. The wheel can separate from these trailers during use, and result in crashes and injuries to children riding inside. Loss of control to the bicycle pulling these trailers also can cause the riders to crash and suffer injuries.

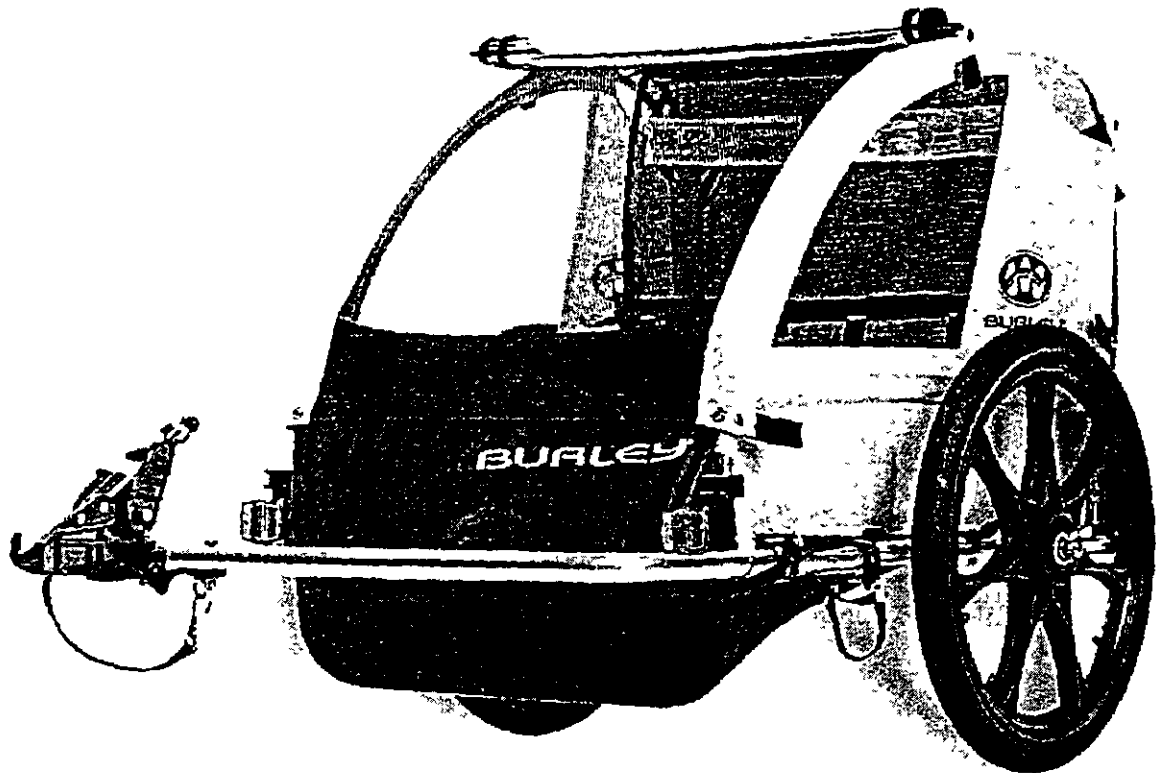
Burley has received one report of a wheel coming off of one of these trailers, causing the bicycle rider to fall and suffer minor injuries.

Burley-Bravo™ trailers included in this recall were made between November 1999 and June 2000 with serial numbers 430-01-1 through 430-29-160. Serial numbers, manufacturing date and the words "BRAVO TRAILER" are located on a label on the underside of the aluminum frame adjacent to the right wheel. The blue and yellow trailers are designed to carry two children. They are 34 inches long (not including hitch), 26 inches wide and 33 inches high with a weight capacity of 100 pounds. Writing on the front of the trailer reads, "BURLEY." Writing on the trailer's rain/sun cover reads, "Burley Bravo."

Authorized Burley dealers and bicycle shops nationwide sold these trailers from November 1999 through June 2000 for about \$350.

Consumers should stop using these Burley-Bravo™ trailers immediately, and return them to the store where purchased for a free inspection and repair, if needed. For more information, contact Burley at (800) 311-5294 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. PT Monday through Friday.

No other models of Burley trailers are involved in this recall.



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First Years Hotline: (800) 533-6708

CPSC Contact: Ken Giles

(301) 504-0580 Ext. 1184

CPSC, The First Years Inc. Announce Recall to Replace "Elmo Nitelights"

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), The First Years Inc., of Avon, Mass., is voluntarily recalling about 123,000 "Elmo Nitelights." The faceplate on these nightlights can be broken off, exposing wiring and posing shock and electrocution hazards.

CPSC and The First Years have received three reports of the faceplates on these nightlights breaking off resulting in two 1-year-old girls and an adult receiving an electrical shock when touching the exposed wires.

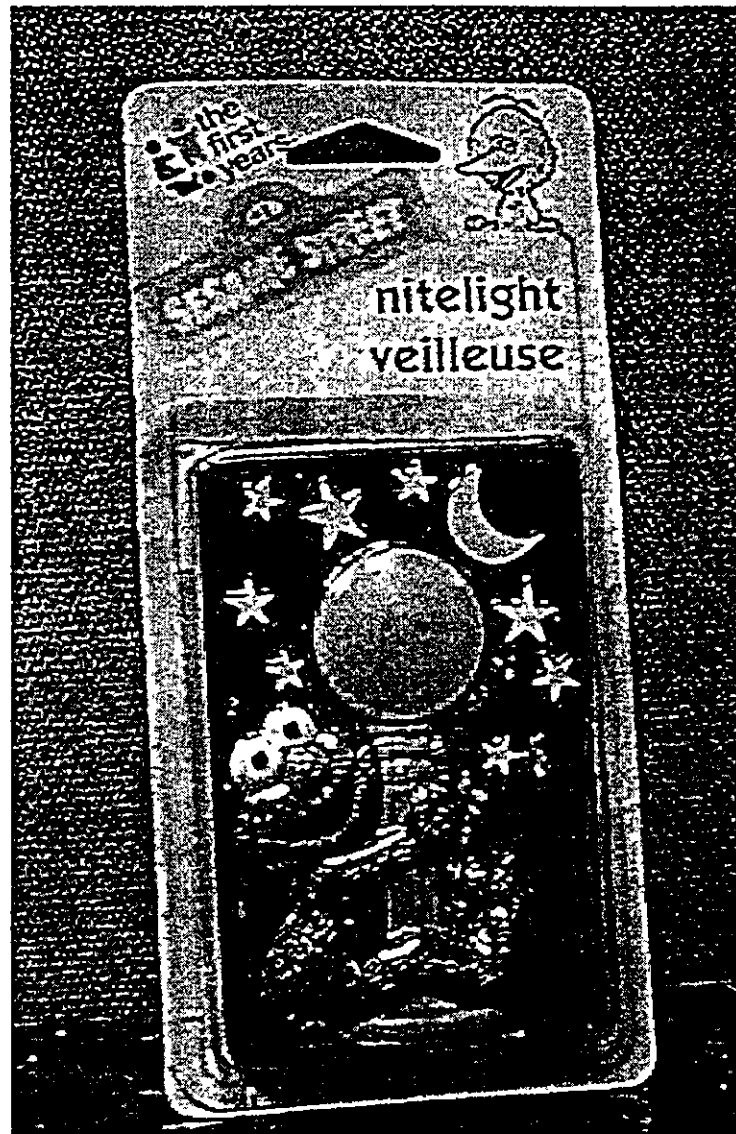
The "Elmo Nitelight" shows the Sesame Street character Elmo, who is red, hanging onto a green lamp post set on a blue background. A moon and stars surround the light part of the lamp post, which illuminates when the light is plugged in. It measures 4.25 inches long by 2.75 inches wide and fits over the entire standard outlet coverplate. "Henson" and "the first years" are imprinted on the back of the nightlights. The cardboard packaging shows a picture of the Sesame Street character Big Bird, and includes the writing, "SESAME STREET" and "nitelight."

Discount, drug, grocery and toy stores sold these nightlights from July 1997 through March 2000 for between \$5 and \$6.

Consumers should immediately remove the "Elmo Nitelights" from their sockets and throw them away. If wires are exposed, turn off the power before removing. Consumers should contact The First Years to receive a free replacement nightlight at (800) 533-6708 between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. ET Monday through Friday. Consumers also can write to The First Years, One Kiddie Drive, Avon, MA, 02322-1171.



Consumers can also view a [video clip](#) about this recall. This is in "[streaming video](#)" format.



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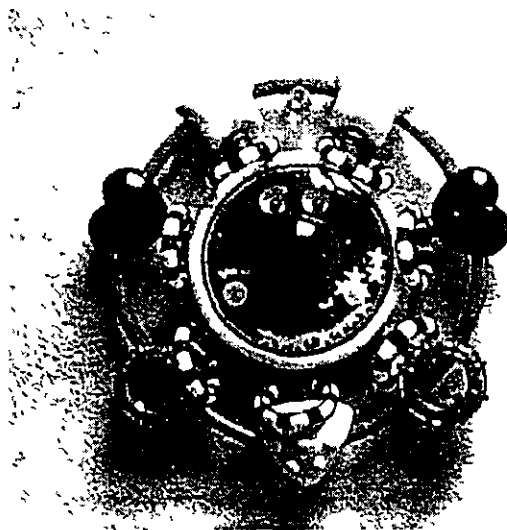
Teethers Recalled by Manhattan Group LLC

PRODUCT Teether Toys - Manhattan Group LLC, of Minneapolis, Minn , is voluntarily recalling about 22,000 plastic teether toys. These toys are called the Whoozit® Touch and Teethe™, and have item number WZ-450, written on the packaging. The teether has a 3-inch center face with a red nose that squeeks when pushed in. A mirror is on the reverse side of the face. Seven shapes surround the toy: two hearts, two stars, two circles and one triangle. The green triangle on the toy reads "Touch and Teethe," "Whoozit" and "Made in China." Specialty stores and gift shops sold the teethers from February 2000 through May 2000 for about \$12.

PROBLEM The teether can pull apart easily and expose small pieces. This poses choking and aspiration hazards to young children.

INCIDENTS/INJURIES The firm has received four reports of teethers coming apart and exposing small pieces. No injuries have been reported.

WHAT TO DO. Consumers should take the toys away from young children immediately and return them to the store where purchased for a refund or exchange for another toy. For more information, contact Manhattan Group at (800) 541-1345 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. CT Monday through Friday.



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CONTACT: Fisher-Price Recall Hotline: (888) 821-0077

CPSC Contact: Yolanda Fultz-Morris

(301) 504-0580 Ext. 1219

CPSC, Fisher-Price Announce Recall of Baby Jumper Seats and Construction Toys

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Fisher-Price, of East Aurora, N.Y., is voluntarily recalling baby jumper seats and preschool toys. About 882,000 Hop, Skip, Jumpers are being recalled along with about 267,000 Big Action™ Construction toys.

Recall of Hop, Skip, Jumpers

The Hop, Skip, Jumper is an activity seat for babies to sit in while suspended from a doorway. There is a spring attached to a suspension strap, allowing babies to use their feet to bounce up and down, while being supported by the seat. The spring that suspends the jumper seat from the doorway can break. Babies can fall to the ground and suffer serious injuries.

Fisher-Price has received 80 reports of the springs breaking. Twenty babies have been injured. The injuries include nine lacerations to heads, five of which required stitches or staples, a dislocated tailbone, a black eye and bumps, bruises and scrapes.

Only model numbers 9144 and 9146 are being recalled. The model number is molded into the underside of the plastic tray attached to the soft seat. The jumper is red and blue, or all blue, with a bright yellow propeller decoration on the front of the seat. "Fisher-Price" is written on the front of the tray. Fisher-Price will help consumers determine if they have a recalled jumper.

The Hop, Skip, Jumpers were sold by mass merchandise, juvenile products and discount stores from January 1987 through January 1994 for about \$25.

Consumers should stop using the jumpers immediately. Fisher-Price will provide a free repair kit with a new, suspension strap to support the jumper seat if the spring breaks. The repair can be done quickly and easily in the home.



Consumers can also view a [video clip](#) about the Hop, Skip, Jumper recall. This is in "[streaming video](#)" format.



Recall of Big Action™ Construction Toys

The Big Action Construction toy is a large plastic construction set that features a rotating crane that sits on top of a construction site. The crane has a bucket that is attached by a 25-inch strap. The bucket can be raised and lowered by using a turning crank on the crane. Children can wrap the 25-inch strap around

their necks, posing a strangulation hazard.

Fisher-Price has received 16 reports of children wrapping the strap around their necks. Seven children suffered minor injuries.

The recalled Big Action Construction toys are model number 72028. The model number is on the underside of the toy. The toy has a brown base with a yellow and silver crane and a blue drawbridge. "Fisher-Price" is written on the crane. The toy has two construction vehicles and a number of boulders. Only models with a 25-inch strap attached to the crane are being recalled.

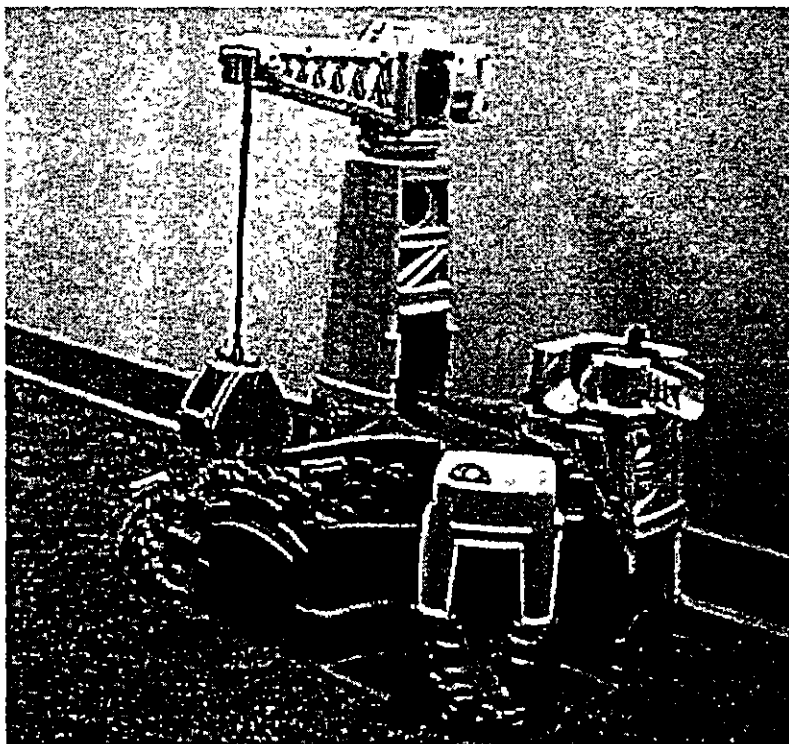
Toy, mass merchandise and discount stores sold the Big Action Construction toys nationwide from January 1997 through June 2000 for about \$60.

Consumers should cut the 25-inch strap off of the toy immediately and throw the strap away. Fisher-Price will provide a free replacement crane boom and bucket with a 12-inch strap so that children cannot wrap it around their necks.

To participate in either one or both of these recalls, or for more information, consumers should call Fisher-Price toll-free at (888) 821-0077 anytime. The product remedies are available only through Fisher-Price. Consumers also can visit the Fisher-Price Customer Service page at www.fisher-price.com/us/help/default.asp#safety for more information (product recall information is under "Step 3").



Consumers can also view a video clip about the Big Action™ Construction Toy recall. This is in "streaming video" format.



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CONTACT: **Caterpillar Toy Recall Hotline: (877) 586-1006**

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CPSC Contact: Kim Dulic

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(301) 504-0580 Ext. 1183

CPSC, Child Guidance™ Announce Recall to Replace Caterpillar Toys

WASHINGTON, D C - In cooperation with the U S Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Child Guidance™, of New York, N.Y , a division of JAKKS Pacific Inc., is voluntarily recalling almost 1 million Wiggle Waggle Caterpillar™ toys. Young children can choke on the small balls attached to these toys.

CPSC has received one report of a 5-month-old girl in El Paso, Texas, choking to death after one of the small balls attached to these toys lodged in her throat. CPSC also received reports of two children starting to choke on a ball from this toy.

The Wiggle Waggle Caterpillar™ is a pull toy that plays four songs and various sounds. It has five ball shapes raised from its body on the end of tightly wound coil wire springs. The two smaller ball shapes on the caterpillar's head resemble antennas. The toy is about 10 inches long, and is green with yellow oval wheels that cause it to wobble when it moves. The segments of the caterpillar's body have lights that flash to the music and sounds. "Child Guidance™" and "MADE IN CHINA" are imprinted on the bottom of the toy. "Ages 12 months & up" is written on the packaging.

Toy and discount department stores nationwide sold the caterpillar toys from May 1998 through June 2000 for about \$13.

Parents and caregivers should take these toys away from young children immediately. Consumers should send the toy back to the firm to receive another toy of similar value. The firm will pay postage costs. For more information, call Child Guidance™ at (877) 586-1006 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. PT Monday through Friday or visit their web site at www.jakkspace.com/recall.html.



Consumers can also view a [video clip](#) about this recall. This is in "[streaming video](#)" format.

Child Guidance™

Wiggle Waggle Caterpillar™

pull along toy with music, lights & sounds

- Press Yellow Button to Start the Fun
- Lights Flash to the Music
- Roll Along for Music, Lights & Wobbly Walk!
- Plays 4 Happy Children's Songs and Silly Sounds

Requires 3 AAA Batteries (Included)

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CONTACT: Shelcore Recall Hotline: (800) 777-0453

CPSC Contact: Kim Dulic

(301) 504-0580 Ext 1183

CPSC, Shelcore Inc. Announce Recall Children's Play Tables to Replace Mallets

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Shelcore Inc., of Somerset, N.J., is voluntarily recalling about 124,000 "Stand-Up 'N Play Tables" to replace the xylophone mallets. The mallet that comes as part of this table set can be lodged into the throats of young children, posing a choking hazard.

Shelcore received a report of the mallet being jammed into the throat of a 13-month old boy after he fell while teething on the ball end of the mallet. Lacerations in the throat resulted when an adult had to forcibly remove the mallet to prevent choking.

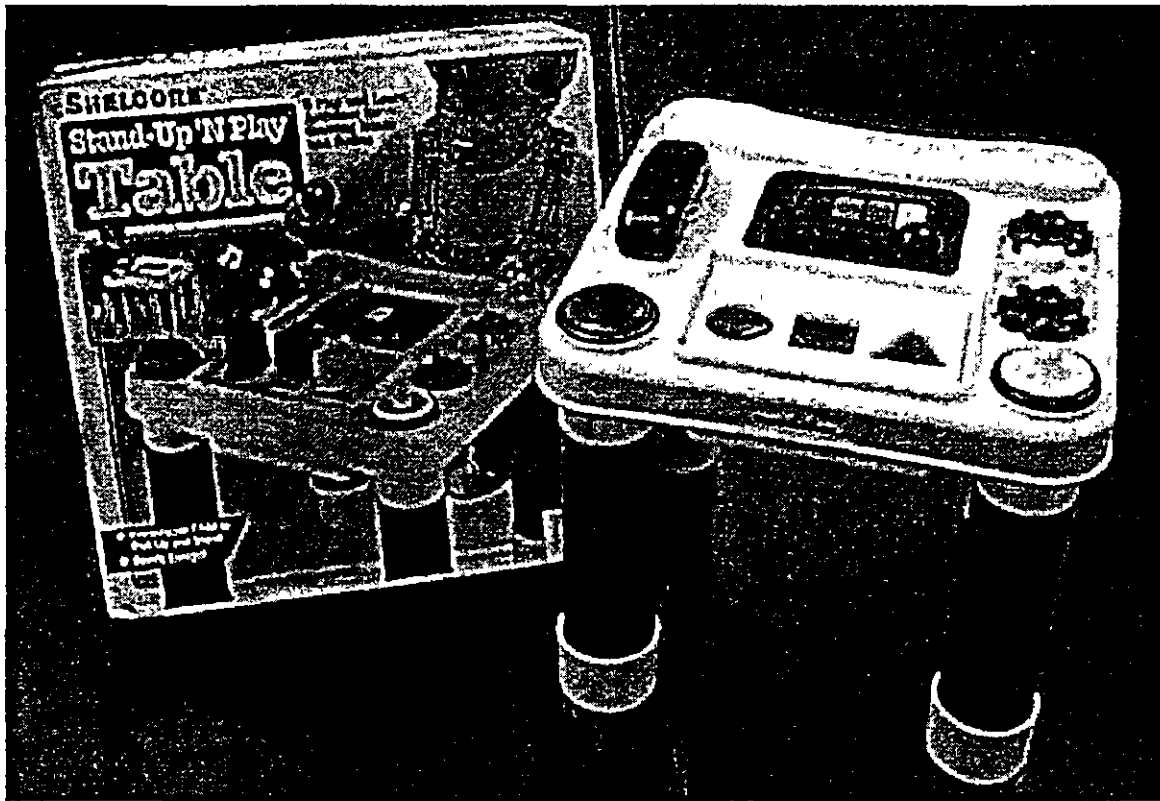
The "Stand-Up 'N Play Table" measures 14 inches long, 14 inches wide and 13 inches high. The multi-colored play table includes a telephone, clicking dial, spinner, push-button squeaker, rolling ball, spinning gears, xylophone and mallet, three colorful shapes, and a shape sorter. The tray of the table is white, and the legs are red with yellow caps at the base. Writing on the box reads, "Ages 9-36 Months," and "Encourages Child to Pull-Up and Stand."

Toy stores nationwide sold these play tables from March 1996 through March 1999 for between \$18 and \$20.

Consumers should immediately throw the recalled mallets in the trash, and call Shelcore for a free replacement mallet. For more information, call Shelcore at (800) 777-0453 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or write to Shelcore Inc., 347 Elizabeth Ave., Somerset, NJ 08873-1101.



Consumers can also view a video clip about this recall. This is in "streaming video" format.



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July 27, 2000

Release # 00-151

CONTACT: Carrier Recall Hotline: (800) 881-9176

CPSC Contact: Nychelle Fleming

(301) 504-0580 Ext. 1192

Hufco-Delaware Contact: Schuyler Kidd

(216) 348-8520

CPSC, Hufco-Delaware Co. Announce Recall to Repair Gerry® TrailTech™ Backpack Baby Carriers

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Hufco-Delaware Co., of Miamisburg, Ohio, is recalling about 111,000 Gerry® TrailTech™ backpack baby carriers with plastic frames. Small infants can shift to one side, slip through the leg openings of these carriers and fall.

CPSC and Hufco-Delaware have received four reports of infants slipping through the leg openings of these carriers. There were two reports of infants suffering fractured skulls and two reports of infants suffering bumped heads when they fell to the ground.

These Gerry® TrailTech™ backpack baby carriers have black, plastic contoured frames. They were sold in color combinations of slate blue with teal trim, green with black trim, navy blue and purple with green trim, and blue and purple with silver trim. A tag on the outside of the carrier reads "GERRY®." A long tag, originally inside the carrier when sold, reads, "GERRY TRAIL TECH/TRAIL TECH HP." Writing imprinted on the plastic frame reads, "GERRY." The carrier has a removable, washable seat; a storage pouch; a loading stand; and a padded hip belt.

Department and baby products stores nationwide sold these backpack carriers from January 1996 through July 2000 for about \$65.

Consumers should stop using these backpack carriers immediately, and call Hufco-Delaware at (800) 881-9176 anytime for a free repair kit that replaces the seat of the carrier with one that has smaller leg openings.



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August 8, 2000

Release # 00-157

CONTACT: Safety 1st Recall Hotline: (800) 964-8489

CPSC Contact: Nychelle Fleming

(301) 504-0580 Ext. 1192

CPSC, Safety 1st Announce Recall to Repair Baby Walkers

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Safety 1st Inc., of Canton, Mass., is voluntarily recalling to repair about 170,000 Mobile "4 Wheelin" Walkers, which are shaped like cars. Babies can lose their lower teeth when the teeth are caught in parts of the three-spoke steering wheels. Also, on some of these walkers, the telephone could break apart, releasing small parts and posing a choking hazard.

Safety 1st has received eight reports of babies catching their teeth in parts of the three-spoke steering wheels. Six babies lost lower front teeth. There also are 44 reports of the telephone button loosening. One 6-month-old baby girl gagged on a telephone button from a phone that came apart.

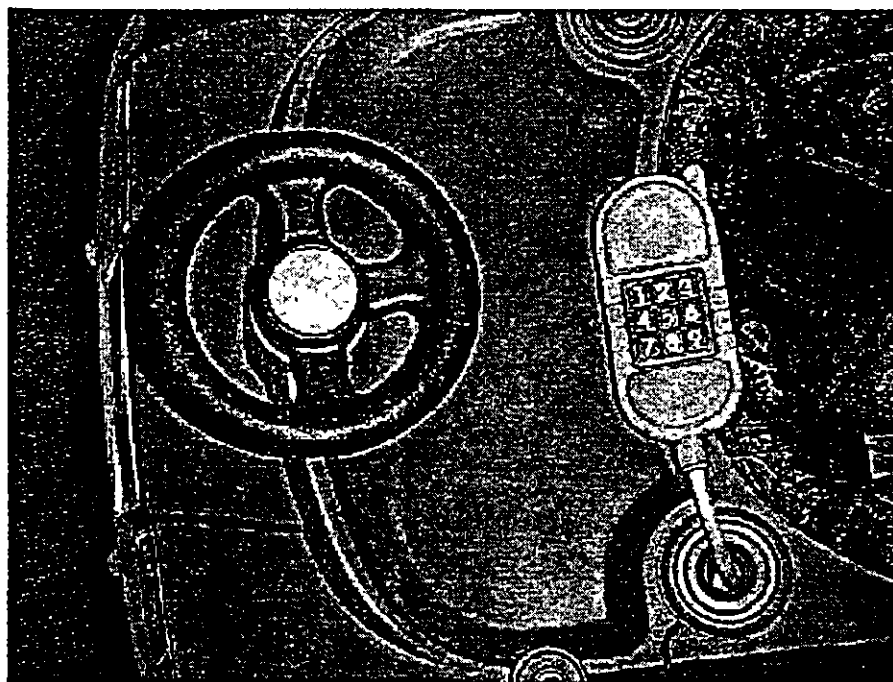
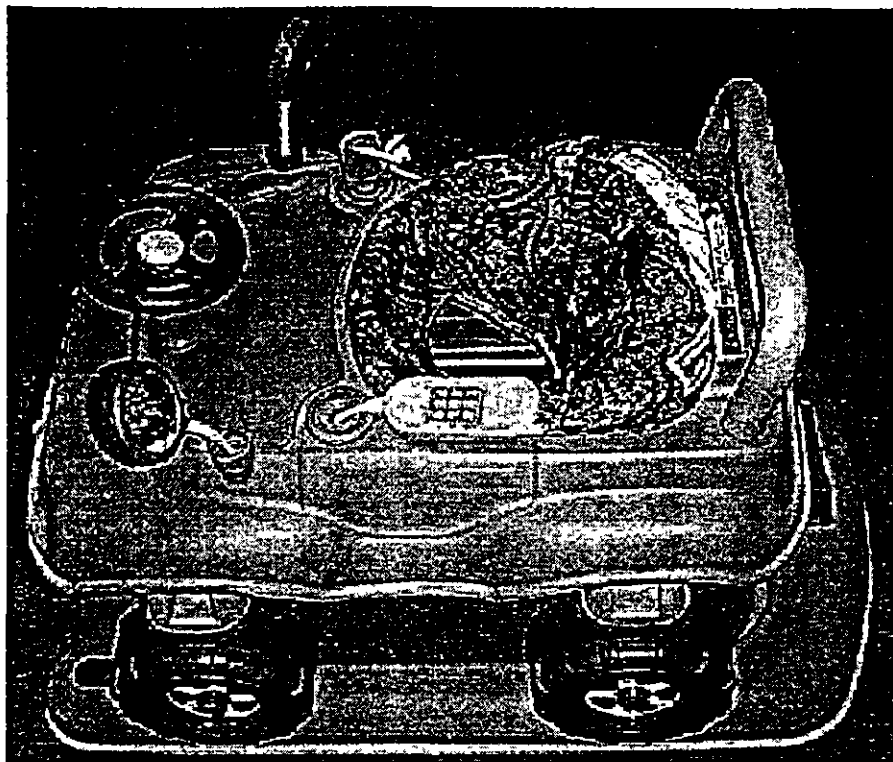
The Mobile "4 Wheelin" Walker is intended for babies 6 months old until the age they begin to walk. The walker has a green body, and includes a three-spoke steering wheel with squeaking horn, clicking keys, two rearview mirrors and a phone with electronic ring. Model number 45701, 45701A or 45701B is written underneath the walker tray. Only walkers with these model numbers are part of the recall. Other writing under the body includes, "Made in the U.S.A., (1997)," and "Safety 1st, Inc." Mass merchandise, juvenile products and major discount department stores nationwide sold the walkers from April 1998 through April 1999 for about \$50.

Consumers should stop using these walkers immediately, and contact Safety 1st to receive a free, replacement steering wheel and electronic telephone with installation instructions. To order repair kits, call Safety 1st at (800) 964-8489 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or write to Consumer Relations Dept., Safety 1st Inc., 45 Dan Road, Canton, MA 02021.

This recall does not include walkers with model number 45701C, 45701D, 45704 or 45705. These models have different steering wheel and phone designs.



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Release # 00-158

CONTACT: Kmart Recall Hotline: (800) 63KMART

CPSC Contact: Mark Ross

(301) 504-0580 Ext. 1188

Kmart Media Contact: Michele Jasukaitis

(248) 643-1077

CPSC, Kmart Announce Recall of Children's Swim Masks

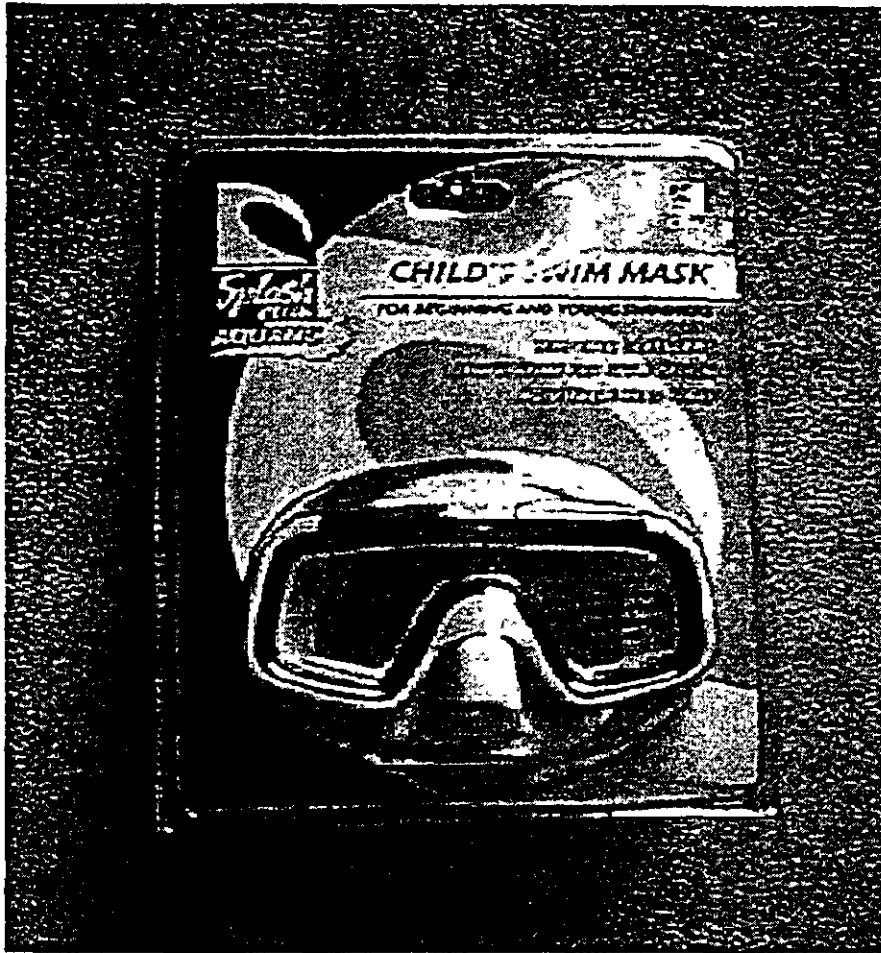
WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Kmart Corp., of Troy, Mich., is recalling about 85,550 "Splash Club" swim masks for children. The mask's glass lens can break into sharp pieces, causing lacerations to a child's face, eyes or hands.

Kmart has received one report of the glass lens shattering. No injuries have been reported.

The "Splash Club" Aquatic Child's Swim Mask is made of either purple, aqua or lime-green plastic. It has a clear glass lens and an adjustable head strap. "Tempered Splash Club Glass" is written on the mask. The mask is packaged in clear plastic with a cardboard insert labeled "Splash Club Aquatic Child's Swim Mask." The following UPC code is on the package: 072000 72970 0. The mask was made in China.

Kmart and Super Kmart stores nationwide sold the swim masks from February 2000 to July 2000 for about \$3.

Consumers should stop using these swim masks immediately and return them to the nearest Kmart or Super Kmart store for a refund. For more information, consumers should call Kmart at (800) 63KMART anytime.



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August 10, 2000

Release # 00-162

CONTACT: KFC Recall Hotline: (800) CALL-KFC

CPSC Contact: Nychelle Fleming

(301) 504-0580 Ext. 1192

KFC Contact: Michael Tierney

(502) 874-8100

CPSC, KFC Corporation Announce Recall of Toy Included With KFC Kids Meals

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), KFC Corporation, of Louisville, Ky., is voluntarily recalling about 425,000 Tangled Treeples toys included with KFC Kids Meals. The toy is a green plastic container with small, blue plastic animal figures inside. The bottom of the container can fit over a child's nose and mouth, which could pose a suffocation hazard to children under three years of age.

A 19-month-old girl reportedly had the Tangled Treeples container stuck over her face, causing her distress. When her mother removed the container, there was a red mark left on the child's face.

The Tangled Treeples toy's green, plastic container, which measures about 3 inches in diameter and 1.25 inches deep, has trees molded on the outside. Inside are seven "Tangled Treeples" animal figures, including a monkey, owl, snake, raccoon and bear. Children can empty the animals out of the container and link them to form a chain. Writing on the outside of the container reads, "Treeples™" and "Made in China."

KFC restaurants nationwide included the Tangled Treeples toys with KFC Kids Meals from June 2000 through July 2000.

Consumers should immediately take the green plastic container away from children under the age of three. They should discard the container or return it to any KFC restaurant for an individual-sized side item, such as macaroni and cheese. For more information, consumers can call KFC at (800) CALL-KFC anytime or visit the KFC web site at <http://www.kfc.com/SAFETY.htm>.



Consumers can also view a [video clip](#) about this recall. This is in "[streaming video](#)" format.



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August 14, 2000

CONTACT: Manco Hotline: (800) 293-0795

CPSC Contact: Ken Giles

(301) 504-0580 Ext. 1184

Release # 00-163

CPSC, Manco Products Inc. Announce Recall to Repair of Go-Karts

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Manco Products Inc., of Fort Wayne, Ind., is recalling about 91,000 go-karts for repair. These go-karts have guards designed to help prevent entanglements, but riders' long hair or loose clothing still can become entangled in partially exposed rotating components behind the drivers' seats, causing death or serious injury.

Manco Products has received a report of one death and two reports of serious injuries when teenage girls' long hair became entangled in the rotating components. It was reported that a 13-year-old girl from Idaho, died from a fractured neck when her hair got caught in the drive chain and sprocket of a go-kart she was driving. Another 13-year-old girl suffered a scalping injury, and a 16-year-old girl lost consciousness and suffered severe head trauma.

These one- and two-seat go-karts are powered by gasoline engines. They were sold under the Manco, Phoenix, Fox, Rattler and Coyote labels. Most have brush bars to protect riders from low tree branches and other foliage. The recall involves two groups of go-karts. The first group has black plastic deck covers over the rear axle and brake. Their serial numbers are within the following ranges: 1757022 through 1855821, and 3000010 through 3050632. The second group of go-karts have a cross-over jackshaft drive system. These go-karts have serial numbers lower than 1757022. All the go-karts have a black serial number on a silver label located on the floor pan immediately in front of the driver's seat. Outdoor power equipment dealers; specialty, discount, hardware, automotive parts supply and agricultural supply stores; and motorcycle dealers sold the go-karts nationwide from January 1983 through July 2000 for between \$600 and \$2,000.

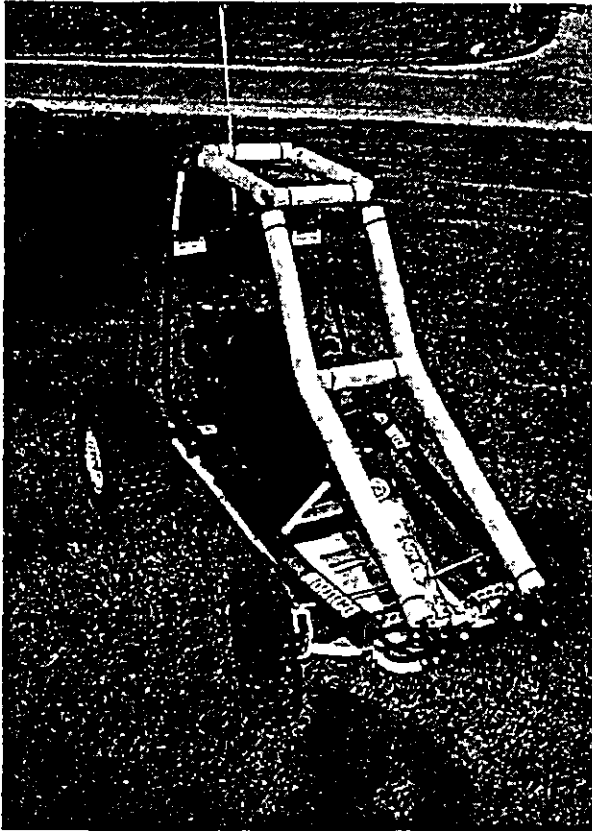
Consumers should stop using these go-karts immediately and call Manco for a free repair kit with instructions for easy installation. Consumers also can contact any Manco dealer to get free installation of the repair kit. For more information, call Manco at (800) 293-0795 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. CT Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's web site at <http://www.mancoprod.com/recall.htm>.

In cooperation with CPSC, Manco Products previously recalled go-karts in 1996 because their rear axles were exposed. One child died and two others were seriously injured when their hair or clothing became entangled in the rotating rear axles. The cross-over jackshaft-type go-karts, which were part of this earlier recall, are included in the current recall. Manco will provide guards for both recalls if needed.



Consumers can also view a [video clip](#) about this recall. This is in "[streaming video](#)" format.





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Playskool Recall Hotline: (877) 518-9743

CPSC Contact: Yolanda Fultz Morris

(301) 504-0580 Ext. 1219

CPSC, Playskool Announce Recall to Replace Busy Poppin' Pals Toys

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Playskool, of Pawtucket, R.I., is voluntarily recalling to replace 420,000 Busy Poppin' Pals toys. Small springs inside the toy can break loose, posing a choking and laceration hazard to young children.

Playskool has received 16 reports of the springs breaking. Five children put the broken springs in their mouths, resulting in two children suffering lacerations.

The Playskool Busy Poppin' Pals is a 13 inch long white plastic toy with blue, yellow and red buttons, levers and knobs of various shapes that, when activated, make animal characters pop up from under the toy's base. The animals are hidden under blue, yellow or red lids that have the numbers one through five on top. The lid colors match the color of the buttons, levers and knobs that activate them. The pop-up animals are a giraffe, elephant, panda bear, lion and monkey. The toy has a white carry handle and has the Playskool logo on the front. The model number 5415 and "MADE IN CHINA" are imprinted on the bottom of the toy.



Mass merchandise and toy stores, including Toys R Us, sold these toys nationwide for about \$10. The toys were sold from January 1996 through August 2000.

Consumers should take these toys away from young children immediately and contact Playskool at (877) 518-9743 anytime or visit their web site at <http://www.hasbro.com/consumer/safety.html> to

receive a free, redesigned replacement toy.

Busy Poppin Pals, with model number 6205 have different springs, and are not part of the recall.



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CONTACT: Kids Line Recall Hotline: (866) 532-7235

CPSC Contact: Nychelle Fleming
(301) 504-0580 Ext 1192

Kids Line Contact: Rick Locker
(212) 391-5200

Release # 00-167

CPSC, Kids Line Inc. Announce Recall to Repair "Le Cradle" Bassinets

WASHINGTON, D C. - In cooperation with the U S Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Kids Line Inc , of Los Angeles, Calif , is voluntarily recalling for repair about 46,000 Le Cradle bassinets. Infants can become entrapped in an opening between the bassinet's side and mattress platform and suffocate. Additionally, fabric can separate from the metal frame. Infants can be injured when they scrape against or become caught in the frame.

Kids Line has received one report of a 3-month-old boy in Oakland Park, Fla. who died when he suffocated after becoming trapped between the bassinet's side and mattress platform Three other infants were scraped and bruised from contact with the metal frame that became exposed when the fabric separated from the frame.

Kids Line is offering a free in-home repair kit, designed to secure the fabric around the bassinet to prevent entrapments and exposure to the metal frame.

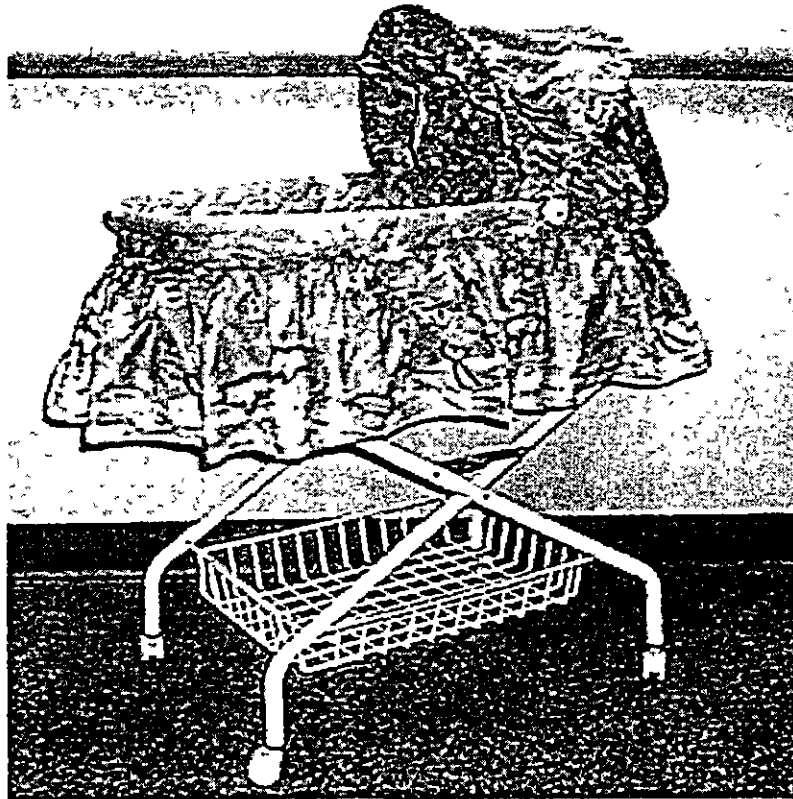
The recalled bassinets were sold under the name "Le Cradle Bassinette." The bassinet has a white metal base with wheels and a removable canopy The oval bassinet itself is made up of a metal wire frame and a wooden base board that rests on the metal base. A sticker on the mattress platform gives instructions for use of the bassinet and says, "Le Cradle, Kids Line, Los Angeles, California." A fabric-covered foam mattress covers the wooden board. Matching fabric covers the bassinet frame, and comes in various colors and designs.

Children's products stores nationwide sold the bassinets from January 1989 through May 2000 for between \$100 and \$200.

Consumers should stop using the bassinets immediately and contact Kids Line for a free in-home repair kit. Consumers should call Kids Line toll-free at (866) LECRADL (532-7235) anytime.



Consumers can also view a [video clip](#) about this recall. This is in "[streaming video](#)" format.



Special Media Alert

A Video News Release showing b-roll of the recalled products and repairs, and a sound bite from CPSC Chairman Ann Brown will be broadcast at the times and coordinates indicated below. Satellite Broadcast Coordinates (C-Band)

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CONTACT: Fisher-Price Recall Hotline: (800) 343-1502

CPSC Contact: Nychelle Fleming
(301) 504-0580 Ext. 1192

Release # 00-168

CPSC, Fisher-Price Announce Recall of Swings and Toys

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Fisher-Price, of East Aurora, N.Y., is voluntarily recalling about 2.5 million Lift 'n Lock Swings, and about 246,000 Get Up & Go Walkers, which are push toys.

Recall of "Lift & Lock Swings"

The Lift & Lock Swing is an outdoor swing for children 9 months to 3 years. The swing has a plastic "T"-shaped restraint shield to hold children in the seat. Children can maneuver out of the restraints and fall out of the swings, resulting in serious injuries.

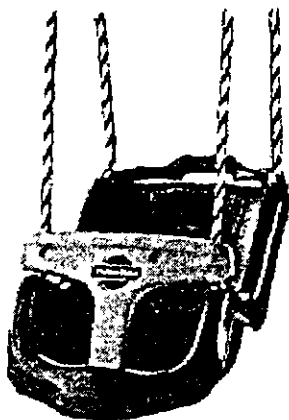
Fisher-Price has received 110 reports of children falling out of the swings, and 38 children suffered injuries. Eight children suffered serious injuries, including a fractured skull, leg, arm and two collarbones; two concussions; and stitches to the forehead. Thirty children received minor injuries including bumps, bruises and scrapes.

The Lift & Lock Swings have red or purple plastic seats, yellow "T"-shaped restraint shields and blue ropes. "Fisher-Price(r)" is written on the front of the restraint shield. The swings have model numbers 2092, 75960, 75970, 75973 or 75980 molded into the back part of the seat. Mass merchandise, juvenile products and discount department stores sold these swings from January 1991 through August 2000 for about \$19.

Consumers should stop using the swings immediately. Fisher-Price will provide a free repair kit with a supplemental waist and crotch restraint belt.



Consumers can also view a [video clip](#) about this recall. This is in "[streaming video](#)" format.



Recall of "Get Up & Go Walkers"

The Get Up & Go Walker is a three-sided push toy, which looks like a car, designed for children to support themselves as they are learning to stand and walk. Young children leaning forward on the front of the toys can tip them over and fall. Also, the windshield wipers on some of the toys, which stick out, can injure young children when they fall. Fisher-Price has received 330 reports of children falling while using or near the product. A total of 132 children received injuries such as bumps, bruises, scratches and cuts.

The Get Up & Go Walker is white with blue sides. It has activities such as a rotating mirror/phone, toy windshield wiper and steering wheel with yellow horn. The back wheels of the walker can be locked into place to prevent rolling as babies learn to stand. The Fisher-Price logo is located on the outside of the toy between the headlight decorations. Models with a front bar for babies to grasp and/or a green windshield wiper are included in the recall. Fisher-Price will help consumers determine if they have a recalled product.

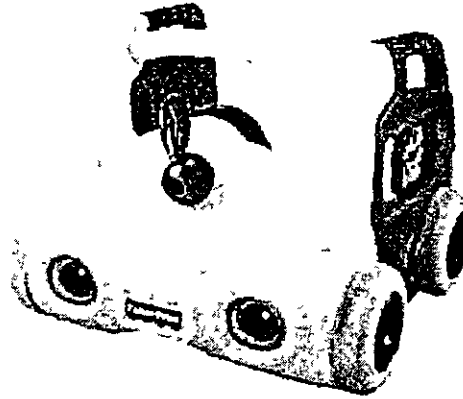
Toy, mass merchandise and discount stores sold these push-behind toys from July 1997 through August 2000 for about \$30.

Consumers should stop children from using the toys immediately and call Fisher-Price for a free repair kit that will eliminate the front bar and windshield wiper.

To participate in either one or both of these recalls, or for more information, consumers should call Fisher-Price toll-free at (800) 343-1502 anytime. The product remedies are available only through Fisher-Price. Consumers also can visit the Fisher-Price website at www.fisher-price.com for more information.



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CONTACT: Children's Place Recall Hotline: (800) 839-3144

CPSC Contact: Nychelle Fleming

(301) 504-0580 Ext 1192

The Children's Place Contact: Audrey Givens

(800) 527-5355

Release # 00-170

CPSC, The Children's Place Announce Recall of Shirts and Rompers

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), The Children's Place, of Secaucus, N.J., is voluntarily recalling about 120,000 boys baseball shirts and rompers. The buttons can come off, posing a small parts choking hazard to young children.

The Children's Place has received three reports of buttons detaching. No injuries have been reported

The recalled baseball shirts are grey, blue, white or red with contrasting colors at the trim. They were available in boys sizes 3 to 36 months. The shirts have four baseball-shaped buttons down the front. A tag at the neck reads in part, "The Children's Place, Made in Turkey". On the left front of the shirt there is an embroidered baseball surrounded by the words, "Baseball Place USA". "Place" and the number "9" are embroidered on the back of the shirt.

The recalled one-piece rompers are grey, blue or red with contrasting colors at the trim. They were available in boys sizes 3 to 36 months. The rompers have four baseball-shaped buttons down the front and snaps around the crotch. A tag at the neck reads in part, "The Children's Place, Made in Turkey". On the left front of the romper there is an embroidered baseball surrounded by the words, "Baseball Place USA". "Place" and the number "9" are embroidered on the back of the romper.

The Children's Place stores nationwide sold the shirts and rompers from January 2000 through July 2000. The shirts cost about \$12 and the rompers cost about \$14

Consumers should take these clothes away from their children immediately. Consumers should return the clothes to the nearest The Children's Place store for a full refund and a 10 percent discount coupon. For more information, call The Children's Place at (800) 839-3144 anytime



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CONTACT: Fazoli's Recall Hotline: (877) 401-7408

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CPSC, Fazoli's Announce Recall of Toys Included with Kids Meals

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Fazoli's Management Inc., is voluntarily recalling about 310,000 Pasta Pals toys included with Fazoli's Kids Meals. The toy is a plastic, barrel-shaped container with small, plastic tomato and ravioli figures inside. The bottom of the container can fit over a child's nose and mouth, which could pose a suffocation hazard to children under 3 years of age.

Fazoli's has received one report of a child putting the container over his mouth. No injuries have been reported.

The Pasta Pals toy's blue container measures about 2.5 inches in diameter and 2 inches deep. Inside are three red tomato figures and three yellow ravioli figures. Children can empty the figures out of the container and link them to form a chain. "FAZOLI'S ITALIAN FOOD . FAST" is imprinted onto the top of the barrel. "(c)2000Fazoli's Management, Inc." and "Made in China" are imprinted into the bottom of the barrel. Fazoli's restaurants nationwide included the Pasta Pals toys with Fazoli's Kids Meals from January 2000 through August 2000.

Consumers should immediately take the barrel-shaped container away from young children. Discard the container or return it to any Fazoli's restaurant for a free Italian Lemon Ice. For more information, consumers can call Fazoli's toll-free at (877) 401-7408 anytime or visit the firm's web site at <http://www.fazolis.com/recall.html>.



Consumers can also view a [video clip](#) about this recall. This is in "[streaming video](#)" format.

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CPSC, Kinderkids™ Announce Recall of Inflatable Playrings for Babies

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Kinderkids™, of Lawrence, Kan., is voluntarily recalling about 18,000 inflatable playrings. Babies sit inside the playring, which is used as an activity center and looks like a pool float. When a baby leans his face against the side of the playring, the soft surface covers the baby's nose and mouth, restricting airflow, and posing the risk of suffocation.

CPSC has received one report of a 6-month old baby found gasping for air after falling asleep face down in the playring. The baby was removed from the playring without injury. CPSC is aware of infant suffocation deaths when their airflow is restricted from contact with soft surfaces.

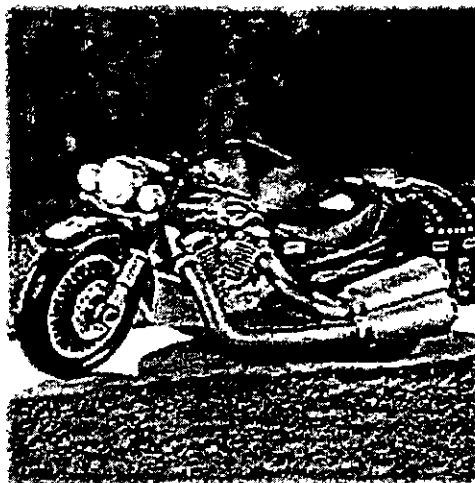
The recalled playring, which measures 40 inches in diameter, has a yellow, plastic, inflatable, inner tube with a multicolor cloth covering. The cloth covering features eight activities for babies, including a boat rattle, a mirror flower, a soft teether on a puppy's collar, a butterfly, and a squeak ball and fish. A tag on the bottom of the cloth covering reads "Warning!" and "Recommended for children 6 to 18 months." The packaging reads, "Discovery Playring," "MADE IN CHINA" and "Not to be used in water." They are sold with plastic foot pumps for inflating the playrings.

Walmart stores, and One Step Ahead, a mail-order company, sold the playrings from July 1998 through April 2000 for between \$20 and \$35.

Consumers should stop using the playrings immediately and contact Kinderkids for information on how to receive a refund. Consumers should call Kinderkids toll-free at (888) 433-6251 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. PT Monday through Friday.



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(301) 504-0580 Ext. 1183 or 1188

Empire Media Contact: Tom Wilson

(631) 288-8010

CPSC, Empire Industries Announce Recall of Children's Riding Vehicles

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Empire Industries, of Tarboro, N.C., is recalling about 113,000 battery-powered children's riding vehicles, marketed as "Power Drivers" or "Buddy L," for repair. The vehicles' battery chargers can overheat, presenting fire and injury hazards to children.

CPSC and Empire have received about 100 reports of chargers overheating, melting or burning. Five house fires have been reported resulting in at least \$100,000 in property damage. One child and one adult received burns to hands on overheated charger jacks.

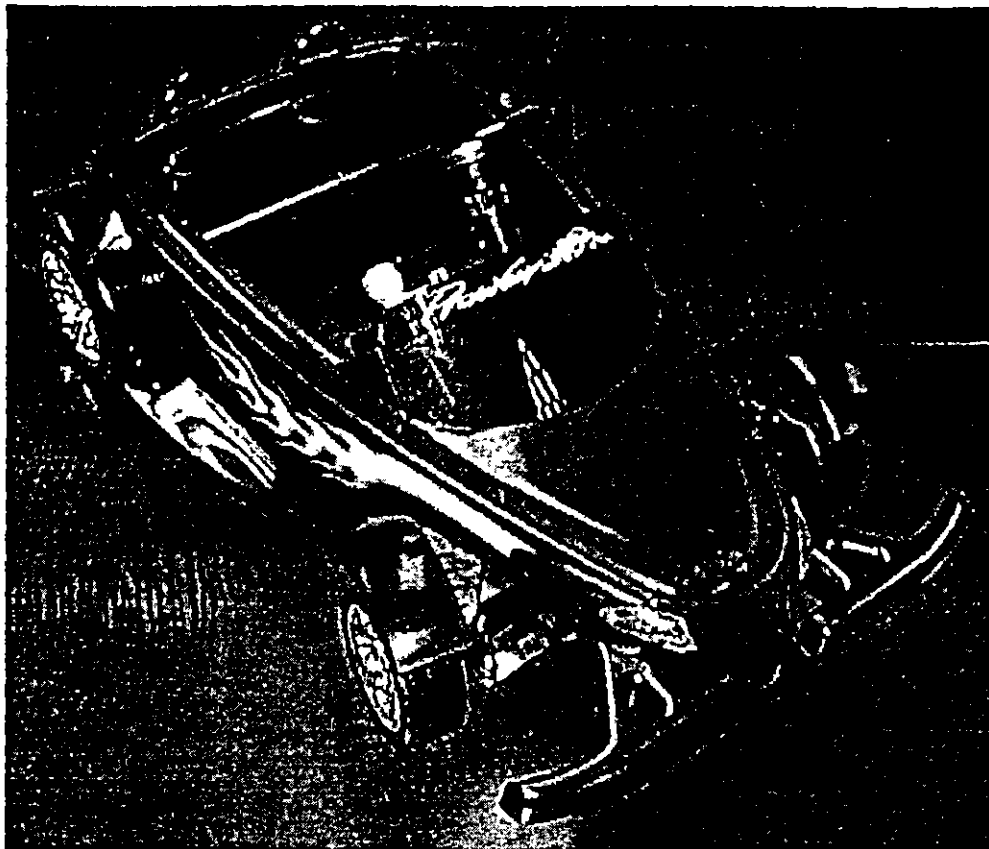
The Power Driver vehicles being recalled are powered by two 6-volt batteries, and were manufactured from July 1995 to December 1996. The vehicles are made of plastic and were sold under the following model names: Go-Kart, Beach Splash, Sun Dream, Trail Tracker, Rescue Patrol, and Chevy Z-71 Pick-Up Truck. The model name "Power Drivers" or "Buddy L" appear on each vehicle. The company will help consumers identify if their model is part of the recall. Power Driver vehicles are intended for children 3 to 8 years old, and the vehicles' speed ranges from 2.5 to 5 mph, depending on the model.

Toy stores and retail catalogs sold the vehicles nationwide from July 1995 through December 1997 for about \$130 to \$250.

Consumers should stop using the vehicles immediately and contact Empire at (800) 872-1869 between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday to receive a free, new charger adapter with an overcurrent fuse. Consumers should not charge the vehicles or let children use the vehicles until they have received the new charger adapter with fuse.



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(301) 504-0580 Ext. 1183

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(401) 727-5857

CPSC, Playskool Announce Recall to Replace Infant Toys

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Playskool, of Pawtucket, R.I., is voluntarily recalling to replace about 550,000 Klackeroo toys. The toy's brightly colored end knobs can detach and allow small, geometric-shaped pieces to come loose, posing a choking hazard to infants and young children.

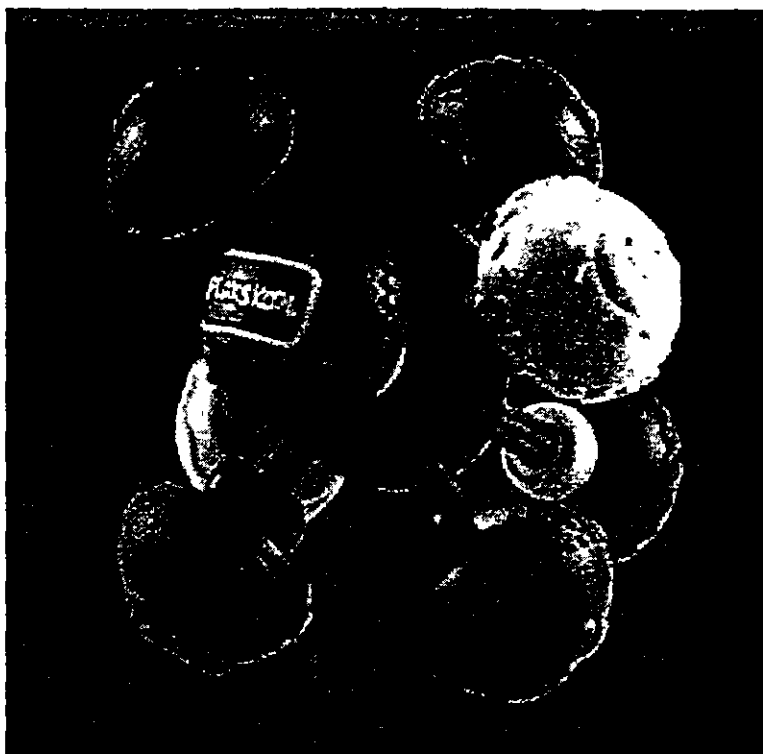
Playskool has received 10 reports of the toy's knobs detaching to release small parts, including four reports of a small part from the toy being found in the mouths of infants and young children. There have been no reported injuries.

Playskool's Klackeroo is a brightly colored toy with orange plastic rods and small geometric shapes that move through a center purple ball. Solid-colored knobs with animal faces or the sun and moon imprinted on them cap both ends of each orange rod. When shaken, the rods move through the ball and the geometric shapes slide along each rod, making a "clacking" sound. The knobs are green, yellow, blue and red. The Playskool logo is imprinted on one end knob and "MADE IN CHINA" is imprinted on the center ball.

Toy and mass merchandise stores, including Toys "R" Us and Wal-Mart, sold these toys from October 1997 through September 2000 for about \$8.

Parents and caregivers should take the toy away from infants and young children immediately, and contact Playskool anytime at (888) 671-9764 to receive a free, redesigned replacement toy.

The recalled products will be replaced by a redesigned Klackeroo toy (model number 5542) which will feature a red center ball with no sliding geometric shapes.



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