

GPSC Safety Alert

Lawn Darts Are Banned

CPSC banned the sale of lawn darts in the United States in 1988. Lawn darts, used in an outdoor game, have been responsible for the deaths of children.

A set of lawn darts usually includes four large darts and two targets. The darts typically are about 12 inches long with a heavy metal or weighted plastic tip on one end and three plastic fins on a rod at the other end. The darts are intended to be grasped by the rod and thrown underhand toward a target. While the tip may not be sharp enough to be obviously dangerous, these darts can cause skull punctures and other serious injuries.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission urges consumers to discard or destroy all lawn darts immediately. They should not be given away since they may be of harm to others.

Consumers who find lawn darts still being sold should call CPSC's Hotline at (800) 638-CPSC (2772) or send an email to <u>info@cpsc.gov</u>.



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