



April 2010: Product Recalls and Related News Part One of Two

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The April 2010 Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) recall list includes products posing choking and strangulation risks, as well as others that can create fall, lead paint, laceration and drowning hazards.

These monthly government lists help protect the public by urging consumers to avoid using or purchasing various dangerous products. Our law firm recommends that you regularly review these lists before ever making a major purchase or buying anything for a child.

Part One of our April 2010 recalled products review focuses mainly on items posing choking and strangulation hazards, as well as others that can create laceration or fall risks.

Part Two of our April 2010 review looks at many other consumer items, including those posing fire and flammability risks, lead paint poisoning, drowning or other general injuries. Part Two concludes with a look at an important Consumer Product Safety Commission news item.

Products Posing Choking and Strangulation Hazards

- **Deux par Deux Minimome Inc.**, of Montreal, Quebec, Canada, is cooperating with the U. S. Consumer Product Safety Commission by recalling approximately 4,500 **Children's Snowsuits and Coats** since both of these items employ drawstrings that can cause children to accidentally strangle themselves.
- **5 Star Apparel LLC**, of New York, New York, has agreed to recall about 11,500 **Mecca Children's Hooded Jackets** featuring drawstrings that put children at risk of strangulation.

- **GJC International of Florida Inc.**, of Plantation, Florida is voluntarily recalling close to 3,200 **Children's Hooded Sweatshirts** since their drawstrings can cause children to accidentally strangle themselves.
- Both the U. S. Consumer Product Safety Commission and Health Canada have asked **Gund**, of Edison, New Jersey, to voluntarily recall **Gund Baby Paperboard Books** (about 15,100 in the U. S. and 865 in Canada) since the book binding foam can become detached, placing young children at risk of choking on it.
- **Oriental Furniture** of Cambridge, Massachusetts, has agreed to recall about 25,000 **Roman Shades** and **Roll-Up Blinds** since both products pose strangulation hazards to children.

Product Recalls Due to Fall Risks

- Le Hing Inc., of South El Monte, California, has agreed to voluntarily recall about 200 Baby Walkers since they can subject babies to serious injuries or death if the walkers are moved through standard doorways toward stairways. The walkers are not designed to stop at the edge of staircases or steps.
- Civia Cycles, of Bloomington, Minnesota, has agreed to recall about 800 Hyland Bicycles and Carbon Bicycle Forks since they can break or crack, putting consumers at risk of falling.

A Product Posing Laceration Hazards

- Crate and Barrel, a division of Euromarket Designs Inc., of Northbrook, Illinois has agreed to recall 42,000 Glass Water Bottles in the U. S. (and 2,200 in Canada) that can break apart when their stoppers are being removed or inserted, creating laceration risks to users.

As already noted above, Part Two of this April review covers products that pose fire and flammability risks and others that can cause lead paint poisoning, drowning or other general injuries. Part Two concludes with a look at an important Consumer Product Safety Commission news item.

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