

Lamps Posing Fire, Shock and Burn Hazards

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Faulty wiring and frayed cords can turn simple reading lamps into serious office and household hazards. Other lamps can become dangerously hot, creating shock, fire and burn risks to consumers. For these reasons, everyone should periodically check to be sure that their personal lamps haven't been [recently recalled](#) by the U. S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC).

The following list of recalled lamps and lanterns should help all of us better protect our homes and offices against unnecessary dangers.

Lamps and Lanterns Recalled by the CPSC in Recent Years

- In June of 2011, **Christmas Tree Shops** of Union, New Jersey, recalled 35,000 **Animated Safari** and **Aquarium Lamps** because they pose fire and shock hazards to consumers due to defective wiring;
- About 42,000 **LED Lamps** sold by **Eco-Story** of Portland, Maine had to be recalled in January of 2011. It was discovered that when consumers failed to use these lamps with Class II transformers, the lamps could seriously overheat and create fire hazards;

- Another January of 2011 recall involved 150 **Outdoor Hanging Lanterns** imported by **Quoizel Inc.**, of Goose Creek, South Carolina. Should the glass lanterns suddenly separate from the top support rings, they can fall and injure people;
- In December of 2010, **CDX Group, Inc.**, of Brooklyn, New York, recalled 1,600 **desks** and **table lamps** due to their substandard electrical wiring;
- **The Pottery Barn** of San Francisco, California, had to recall 7,300 **Pottery Barn Lamps** in November of 2010 because consumers were at risk of suffering electrical shocks due to electrical wiring issues;
- In February of 2010, **Innovage LLC** of Foothill Ranch, California, recalled 360,000 **Discovery Kids™ Animated Marine and Safari Lamps** because a design defect can cause fires and electrical short injuries;
- In October of 2009, **Wincraft Inc.**, of Winona, Minnesota, had to recall 145 **Rotating Sports Table Lamps** because their electrical problems can cause fire, burn and shock injuries to consumers;
- **LTD Commodities LLC; ABC Distributing** and **Lakeside Collection**, all of Bannockburn, Illinois, recalled 25,800 **Ionic Salt Lamps** in July of 2009 because they can cause fire hazards for consumers if the lamps overheat (the vinyl-covered cords can actually “burst and melt;”
- In February of 2009, **Catalina Lighting** had to recall about 2,000 **Halogen Clamp Lamps** (sold exclusively at Staples Stores) because if the lamps malfunction and expose their halogen bulbs, users can suffer fire and burn risks;
- **Kash N' Gold Ltd.**, of Deer Park, New York, recalled 60,000 **Tinker Bell Lamps** in January of 2008 because the surface paint used on the lamps contains an excessive amount of lead; and

- About 90,000 **Portfolio Incandescent Torchiere Lamps** had to be recalled in January of 2008 by **L G Sourcing Inc.**, of North Wilkesboro, North Carolina, because defective wiring in the lamps posed fire risks to consumers.

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