



## Recall of Flammable Chenille Robes from Blair Company

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This important announcement is from the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission:

Blair Expands Recall To All Women's Chenille Apparel Due to Burn Hazard; Additional Reported Deaths Prompt Re-Announcement of Robe Recall

### *9 Reported Deaths in Total; Consumers Urged to Stop Use of Flammable Wearing Apparel*

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and Blair LLC, of Warren, Pa., are expanding Blair's voluntary recall of women's full length chenille robes to include additional chenille robes and three other chenille products all manufactured by A-One Textile & Towel. CPSC and Blair also are re-announcing the earlier recall of women's robes.

In [April 2009](#), Blair recalled 162,000 chenille robes after it learned of three robes catching on fire, including one report of second degree burns. Blair then received several reports of deaths allegedly due to robes catching fire. This prompted a second news release in [June 2009](#) to again alert consumers to the burn hazard for the chenille robes. After this re-announcement, Blair received four additional reports of deaths allegedly due to the robes catching fire. Three of these victims were cooking and a fourth was tending a pellet stove; three of the four victims were in their 80s and one was in her 70s. All nine reported deaths occurred prior to the April 2009 announcement of the recall.

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Blair has received one report involving one of the additional garments described below catching fire; no injuries have been reported related to these garments. Blair decided to expand the recall to include all women's chenille wearing apparel manufactured by A-One Textile & Towel.

**Name of Products:** Full Length Women's Chenille Robes, Women's Chenille Jacket, Women's Chenille Lounge Jacket, Women's Chenille Top

**Units:** About 138,000; 162,000 units were previously recalled in April 2009

**Manufacturer:** CA-One Textile & Towel, of Karachi, Pakistan. A-One Textile & Towel manufactured all of the products recalled in April 2009. Blair is expanding its recall to all women's chenille wearing apparel manufactured by A-One.

**Retailer:** Blair LLC, of Warren, Pa.

**Hazard:** Some of these products fail to meet the federal flammability standard and present a risk of serious burns to consumers if the garments are exposed to an open flame.

**Incidents/Injuries:** Since announcing the recall in April 2009, Blair has received nine reports of deaths allegedly due to the originally recalled robes catching fire. Blair has received one report on one of the additional garments catching fire; no injuries have been reported.

**Description:** The recall involves the following items:

#### **Full Length Women's Chenille Robe**

The item number is identified on a label in the garment's neckline.

Description	Item Number	Color	Label
One-piece garment made of plush sculpted chenille. The robe has a shaped stand collar, horizontal chenille front and back yolks and cuffs, a full-button front with seven	1083401	Pastel pink	"100% Cotton, RN 81700, Made in Pakistan"
	1083402	Mint	
	1083403	Light lavender	
	1371801	Light blue	

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matching button closures, long sleeves with self cuffs, a straight bottom with self hem, and two side seam pockets.	1371802	Light purple
	1371803	Indigo
	1743401	Sea foam
	1743402	Medium pink
	1743403	Light blue
	3470311	Blue
	3470312	Coral
	3470313	Yellow
	3927211	Mint
	3927212	Light blue
	3927213	Light pink

### Women's Chenille Jacket

The item number is identified on a label in the garment's neckline.

Description	Item Number	Color	Label
One-piece garment made of plush sculpted chenille. The jacket has three front buttons, pointed lapels, long sleeves, and two front patch pockets.	1392801	Gold	"100% Cotton, RN 81700, Made in Pakistan"
	1392802	Red	
	1392803	Navy	
	1392804	Hunter Green	

### Women's Chenille Lounge Jacket

The item number is identified on a label in the garment's neckline.

Description	Item Number	Color	Label
One-piece garment made of plush sculpted chenille. The jacket has a shaped stand collar, and horizontal chenille front and back yolks and cuffs, a full-button front with five matching button closures, long sleeves with self cuffs, a straight bottom with self hem, and two side seam pockets.	4526401	Lavender	"100% Cotton, RN81700, Made In Pakistan"
	4526402	Aqua	
	4526403	Light pink	

## Women's Chenille Top

The item number is identified on a label in the garment's neckline.

Description	Item Number	Color	Label
One-piece, pullover garment made of plush sculpted chenille. The top has a rounded neckline, long sleeves, a straight bottom with side vents, and ribbed binding at the neckline and cuffs.	1811201	Light purple	"100% Cotton, RN81700, Made In Pakistan"
	1811202	Rose	
	1811203	Dusty blue	
	1811204	Sage green	

**Sold at:** Blair catalogs and Web site, and Blair stores in Warren, Pa., Grove City, Pa., and Wilmington, Del., from July, 2000, through April, 2007, at the following prices:

- Full Length Women's Chenille Robes for about \$30 to \$40;
- Women's Chenille Jacket, about \$25 to \$29;
- Women's Chenille Lounge Jacket, about \$20 to \$23;
- Women's Chenille Top, about \$20 to \$23.

**Manufactured in:** Pakistan

**Remedy:** Consumers are urged to stop wearing the garments immediately. Contact Blair LLC for information on returning the products and to receive a refund or a \$50 gift card for Blair merchandise.

**Consumer Contact:** For more information, call Blair toll-free at (877) 392-7095 between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. ET Monday through Saturday, visit the firm's Web site at [www.blair.com/recall](http://www.blair.com/recall), or contact the firm by e-mail at [blairproductrecall@blair.com](mailto:blairproductrecall@blair.com)



CPSC is still interested in receiving incident or injury reports that are either directly related to this product recall or involve a different hazard with the same product. Please tell us about it by visiting <https://www.cpsc.gov/cgibin/incident.aspx>

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission is charged with protecting the public from unreasonable risks of serious injury or death from thousands of types of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. The CPSC is committed to protecting consumers and families from products that pose a fire, electrical, chemical, or mechanical hazard. The CPSC's work to ensure the safety of consumer products -

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such as toys, cribs, power tools, cigarette lighters, and household chemicals - contributed significantly to the decline in the rate of deaths and injuries associated with consumer products over the past 30 years.

To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury, call CPSC's Hotline at (800) 638-2772 or CPSC's teletypewriter at (301) 595-7054. To join a CPSC e-mail subscription list, please go to <https://www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx>. Consumers can obtain recall and general safety information by logging on to CPSC's Web site at [www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov).