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Welcome to the November edition of the Alston & Bird CPSC Recall Snapshot.

Earlier this month, the CPSC Office of the General Counsel presented the commission with a draft supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking to update the CPSC's Rules of Practice for Adjudicative Proceedings. The draft states the proposed rule was submitted based on recent commission experience with adjudicative proceedings and comments to the 2016 notice of proposed rulemaking, and to recommend additional changes based on the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the Federal Rules of Evidence.

The commission is authorized to initiate and conduct adjudicative proceedings related to the safety of certain consumer products and issue remedies accordingly based on its findings. The Rules of Practice for Adjudicative Proceedings are codified under 16 CFR 1025.

The draft can be found here.

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Sincerely,

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### Voluntary Recalls Announced by the CPSC in October 2019

### **NUMBER OF RECALLS BY PRODUCT CATEGORY**

Appliance – 1 Child/Infant – 2 Electronics – 1 Furniture – 2 Housewares – 3

Miscellaneous – 2 Sporting Goods – 2 Tools/Hardware – 2 Yard Equipment – 3

PRODUCT	PRODUCT CATEGORY	ALLEGED HAZARD	REPORTED INJURIES	NUMBER OF PRODUCTS
Heat Pumps <u>Press Release</u>	Appliance	Fire Hazard	0	5,350 U.S. 450 Can.
Infant Bib Press Release	Child/Infant	Choking Hazard	0	7,000
Playground Climbers <u>Press Release</u>	Child/Infant	Fall Hazard	34	200
Mobile Power Bank Press Release	Electronics	Fire/Burn Hazard	0	14,000 U.S. 950 Can.
Dresser <u>Press Release</u>	Furniture	Tip-Over/ Entrapment Hazard	0	1 million
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Bath Stool <u>Press Release</u>	Housewares	Fall/Injury Hazard	0	200 U.S. 4 Can.
Ceramic Mug <u>Press Release</u>	Housewares	Burn/Laceration Hazard	0	34,000
Valve Kit for Water Treatment System <u>Press Release</u>	Housewares	Electrical Shock Hazard	0	70 U.S. 170 Can.

PRODUCT	PRODUCT CATEGORY	ALLEGED HAZARD	REPORTED INJURIES	NUMBER OF PRODUCTS
Craft Glue Press Release	Miscellaneous	Poisoning Hazard	0	46,000
Gun Holster <u>Press Release</u>	Miscellaneous	Injury Hazard	0	3,100
Electric Scooter <u>Press Release</u>	Sporting Goods	Fall/Injury Hazard	4	1,800 U.S. 66 Can.
Resistance Bands Press Release	Sporting Goods	Injury Hazard	6	95,000
Torch <u>Press Release</u>	Tools/Hardware	Fire Hazard	0	660,000 U.S. 98,000 Can.
Folding Knife Press Release	Tools/Hardware	Laceration Hazard	6	1.1 million
Lawn Mower Engine <u>Press Release</u>	Yard Equipment	Burn/Fire Hazard	0	1,100
Lawn Mower Engine <u>Press Release</u>	Yard Equipment	Fire/Burn Hazard	0	950
Utility Tractor <u>Press Release</u>	Yard Equipment	Crushing Injury Hazard	0	5,700 U.S. 1,650 Can.

### The CPSC did not announce any civil penalties in October.

Alston & Bird helps companies navigate the CPSC's complex regulations—from testing, to labeling, to recalls—and everything in between. We also help companies monitor and respond to complaints submitted to the CPSC's consumer complaint database, <a href="www.SaferProducts.gov">www.SaferProducts.gov</a>. For additional information or questions about recalls, the SaferProducts.gov database or other CPSC issues, please email <a href="mailto:catherine.payne@alston.com">catherine.payne@alston.com</a> or visit the firm's website at <a href="www.alston.com">www.alston.com</a>.

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