

Enormous Window Covers Recall Begins After Three Child Deaths

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Window covers are products that are necessary to shield a home's residents from the sun and to provide privacy, but for the most part, people don't spend much time thinking about them in terms of their risk versus their reward. Tragically, a few sets of parents were forced to realize just how dangerous some of these products can be, as their children were killed by them. Several other children around the country were injured and nearly killed by the same products, which is why a massive recall of 5.5 million units has begun.

According to MSNBC:

"In the wake of three child deaths and the near strangulation of seven other children, federal authorities and several businesses announced Wednesday that nearly 5.5 million hazardous window shades and blinds are being recalled immediately.

The window coverings include Roman shades, roll-up blinds, cellular shades and traditional blinds that provide young children with relatively easy access to exposed cords and loops that could strangle them.

The businesses participating in the recall are Pottery Barn Kids, IKEA, Vertical Land Inc., Lewis Hyman Inc., Lutron Electronics Co. Inc. and Victoria Classics. Victoria Classics' Roman shades and many of Lewis Hyman's window shades were sold exclusively at Target stores."

Consumers are encouraged to remove these products if they find any sort of looping strings or other potential problems with them that could create danger for children, and these warnings are being generated by the US Consumer Product Safety Commission. If you or someone you love has suffered as a result of defective window covers, you need to take action by contacting defective products attorneys who have years of experience in fighting for the rights of those wrongfully injured. Contact Demas & Rosenthal today to schedule a free initial consultation.