

## THE SAFETY BOX

A newsletter dedicated to keeping our children safe

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## TOY PRODUCT RECALLS

**PRODUCT/FIRM:** Pumpkin, Ghost and Skull Halloween Lanterns by Greenbrier International, Inc.

BRAND/MODEL: This recall involves plastic



Halloween-themed lanterns designed to resemble a pumpkin, ghost and skull. The lanterns are about 6 ½ inches tall and were sold in orange, white and black. Model number 954437-003-1005 is printed on the bottom of the lanterns. This

product was sold at Dollar Tree, Dollar Bill\$, Occasions, Deal\$ and Dollar Tree Deal\$ stores nationwide from August 2010 to October 2010 for about \$1.

**PROBLEM:** The bulb in the battery-operated lanterns can overheat, posing a fire and burn hazard to consumers.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should take the recalled away from children immediately, remove and properly discard the batteries and return the lanterns to the store where purchased for a full refund. For additional information, contact Dollar Tree Stores, Inc. at **(800)** 876-8077 or visit <a href="https://www.dollartree.com">www.dollartree.com</a>.

**PRODUCT/FIRM:** Wolverine, Spider-Man and Iron Man 2 Projector Flashlights by Greenbrier International, Inc. **BRAND/MODEL:** The recalled projector flashlights are about 6 ½ inches in length and have the Wolverine,



Spider-Man and Iron Man characters and names printed on them. The flashlights come with five extra mini discs that attach to the flashlight to project various images. The back

of the packaging contains the number 16879-20012-003-1003 and UPC 6 39277 16879 5. This product was sold at Dollar Tree, Dollar Bill\$, Occasions, Deal\$ and Dollar

Tree Deal\$ stores nationwide from August 2010 for about \$1.

**PROBLEM:** The flashlights can cause the batteries and/or bulb to overheat, posing fire and burn hazards to consumers.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should take the recalled flashlights away from children, immediately, remove and properly discard the batteries and return the flashlights to the stores where purchased for a full refund. For additional information, contact Dollar Tree Stores, Inc. at **(800)** 876-8077 or visit <a href="www.dollartree.com">www.dollartree.com</a>.

PRODUCT/FIRM: Bathtub Subs by Munchkin, Inc.

**BRAND/MODEL:** This recall involves battery-operated bathtub submarine toys. The toy is yellow, has a smiling face, turquoise window, an orange propeller and an orange periscope that turns the toy on and off. The intake valve has a water pump that sucks in water to



propel the submarine. The toy is intended for use by children during bath time. This product was sold at mass merchandise retail stores nationwide and children's stores nationwide from November 2009 through

September 2010 for about \$7.

**PROBLEM:** The intake valve on the bottom of the submarine toy can suck up loose skin, posing a laceration hazard to children.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately take the recalled toy away from children and contact Munchkin at **(877) 242-3134** or visit <a href="www.munchkin.com">www.munchkin.com</a> for instructions on how to return the product for a free replacement toy.

**PRODUCT/FIRM:** Trampolines by Bravo Sports **BRAND/MODEL:** This recall involves AirZones and Variflex trampolines with model numbers 137083 (with

Variflex trampolines with model numbers 137083 (with wheels), 137536, 137683, 138088, 138467, 13489,

139275, 139283, 139284, 139300 and 139706. The



model number is found on the safety label sewn to the pad cover. The units are 12', 13' and 14' and come in blue, yellow and red. This product was sold at sporting goods and mass market retail stores nationwide and on the Internet from January 2007 through September 2010 for

between \$200 and \$400.

**PROBLEM:** Incorrectly assembled trampolines can allow the top rails and legs to bend or break during normal use, resulting in partial collapse of the trampoline. This poses a fall hazard to consumers.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled trampolines. Consumers should contact Bravo Sports at **(877) 500-2459** or visit <a href="https://www.airzonevariflex-recall.com">www.airzonevariflex-recall.com</a> for instructions on how to inspect the trampoline for top rail damage and to request revised assembly instructions. Top rails and legs damaged due to assembly errors will be replaced at no charge by Bravo Sports.

**PRODUCT/FIRM:** Spark, Spitfire Inline Skates by Rollerblade USA

**BRAND/MODEL:** This recall involves the following models of inline skates purchased since September



2009. The following models are included in this recall: Spark Pro, Men's (SKU# 00792200816); Spark Pro. Women's (SKU# 007923007E2), Anthracite; Spark 80, Men's (SKU# 00702800956), Black: Spark 80, Women's (SKU# 007029009A6), Anthracite; Boy's Spitfire, (SKU# Spitfire, Girl's (SKU#

00705500741), Black; Spitfire S, Boy's 007056007Y8), Silver: (SKU# 00705700956). Black: Spitfire S, Girl's (SKU# 007058009A7), Anthracite: Spitfire LX. 00705000955), Silver. This product was sold at sporting goods stores nationwide and on the Internet from September 2009 through July 2010 for between \$80 and \$160.

**PROBLEM:** The frame mounting bolts and wheel axle bolts can be loose on new skates. Loose wheels or frames on the skates can cause the rider to fall, posing a risk of injury.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately inspect all wheel-axle and frame mounting bolts to ensure that they are properly tightened. Rollerblade USA recommends regular inspection and tightening of bolts. After wheel axle and frame mounting bolts are inspected and tightened if needed, products are acceptable for sale and use. Video instructions on bolt tightening and maintenance are available at <a href="www.rollerblade.com">www.rollerblade.com</a>. For additional information, contact Rollerblade USA at **(800)** 232-7655 or visit <a href="www.rollerblade.com">www.rollerblade.com</a>.

**PRODUCT/FIRM:** Horse-on-a Stick Toys by Big Ideas Marketing

**BRAND/FIRM:** This recall involves horse-on-a stick toys



with a bridle and reins. The toys are filled with polyester fiber and have a fluffy mane. The horse's ears are embroidered with the words "PRESS HERE" in red. The horse makes neighing and galloping sounds when the ears are pressed. This product was sold at Love's Travel Stop and Country stores nationwide from May 2010 through July 2010 for about \$6.

**PROBLEM:** The reins on horse-on-a-stick toy's bridle are long enough to form a loop around a child's head and neck, posing a strangulation hazard to young children.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately remove or cut the reins to eliminate the hazard. Consumers also can contact Big Ideas Marketing at **(888) 908-8697** or visit <a href="www.bigideasmarketing.com">www.bigideasmarketing.com</a> for instructions on how to remove the reins.

**PRODUCT/FIRM:** Rocking Horses by Rocking Horse Depot

BRAND/MODEL: This recall involves Rocking Horse



Depot's small, medium and large rocking horses with bridles. The rocking horse has a hardwood frame and is covered with synthetic hide. Each rocking horse has fluffy mane and tail, and leather Rocking Horse Depot emblem on the right side of the saddle. This product was sold at RockingHorseDepot.com

from November 2006 through December 2009 for between \$105 and \$185.

**PROBLEM:** The reins on the rocking horse bridle are long enough to form a loop around a child's head and neck, posing a strangulation hazard to young children.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately remove or cut the reins to eliminate the hazard. Consumers can also contact Rocking Horse Depot at **(623) 302-6313** or visit <a href="www.rockinghorsedepot.com">www.rockinghorsedepot.com</a> for instructions on how to remove the reins.

**PRODUCT/FIRM:** Classic Sport Super Bounce Pogo Sticks by Sportcraft Ltd

**BRAND/MODEL:** This recall involves Classic Sports Super Bounce pogo sticks. The pogo sticks are silver



and blue with "Classic Sport" printed on the front. This recall involves pogo sticks manufactured in February 2010 that have Sportcraft identification number 4112777F19414/20/10 printed on a tracking label on the base of the foot pedals. This

product was sold exclusively at The Sports Authority stores nationwide from April 2010 through October 2010 for about \$40.

PROBLEM: The aluminum rivets on the pogo stick's frame tubes can break and cause the support clamp to detach and release the spring, posing fall and laceration hazard to consumers.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled pogo sticks and return the product to any The Sport Authority location. Consumers will receive a full refund of \$39.99 plus tax. For additional information, contact Sportscraft at (800) 526-0244 or visit www.sportscraft.com.

PRODUCT/FIRM: Circo Children's Space Camp Combo Pack by Target Corp.

BRAND/MODEL: This recall involves one model of the



Circo Space Combo pack, which children's includes а sleeping bag, backpack and a headlamp. The tent is green and dark blue with planets, stars and figures printed on it. The packing box has the UPC number:

490911500926, DPCI: 091-15-0092. This product was sold at Target stores nationwide and online at www.target.com from September 2010 through October 2010 for about \$25.

PROBLEM: The floor of the tent failed a flammability test and poses a fire hazard.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled tents and return them to any Target store for a full refund or store credit. For additional information. Target at (800)440-0680 contact or visit www.target.com

PRODUCT/FIRM: Zoom Buggy Car and Dream Pillow Star educational toys by Darton

BRAND/MODEL: Zoom Buggy Cars have a wooden body with red and blue plastic wheels and a red handle. The recalled units have tracking labels on both the



product and packaging with a date code of 201005 and a batch ID of APO18829 on the bottom of the cars. Dream Pillow Stars have a wooden star center with red plastic handles, yellow plastic center stars and red, blue, and green plastic bead. The recalled units have

tracking labels on both the product and packaging with a date code of 201005 and a batch ID of APO18829 on the bottom of the product. This product was sold exclusively through Kindermusik Educators are part of Kindermusik At-Home-Materials from July 2010 through October 2010 for the Zoom Buggy Car and from September 2010 through October 2010 for the Dream Pillow Star for about \$33.95. This product was also sold at Kindermusik classes and Kindermusik.com from August 2010 through October 2010 for about \$10.

PROBLEM: The wheels on the Zoom Buggy cars and plastic beads on the Dream Pillow Star can detach, posing a choking hazard to young children.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should stop using and discard the recalled items immediately and contact their Kindermusik Educator for a replacement. For additional information, contact Kindermusik Internation at (800) 628-5687 or visit www.kindermusik.com.

PRODUCT/FIRM: Ceramic piggy and lion banks by Oriental Trading Company, Inc.

BRAND/MODEL: The recalled piggy bank is shaped like a pig and the body of the piggy bank is painted



yellow with floral design. ceramic lion bank is shaped like a lion and is painted yellow with a brown mane. The banks measure about 4 inches in length, 2.5 inches in width, and 3.5 inches in height. Only yellow banks with black plastic stoppers on the bottoms of the banks are

being recalled. Banks with white or translucent stoppers are not being recalled. This product was sold online at www.orientaltrading.com and www.funexpress.com and through Oriental Trading Company and Fun Express catalogs from February 2003 through September 2010 for between about \$7 and \$20 a dozen.

PROBLEM: The yellow surface paint on the banks contains excessive levels of lead which is prohibited under federal law.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately take theses recalled ceramic banks away from children, discard them and contact Oriental Trading Company at (800) 723-**6155** or visit www.orientaltrading.com for information on receiving a refund or credit.

## **CHILD PRODUCT RECALLS**

PRODUCT/FIRM: White Ruffle Outdoor Vests by Jintan Haotefu Garments, LLC



BRAND/MODEL: The girls' ruffle vests are quilted and "chalked" colored with a hood trimmed in fake fur. The vests have a label sewn to the inside seam of the lining with number #587754 printed on it. This product was sold online at the Children's Place Services website, www.childrensplace.com, in September 2010 for about \$20.

PROBLEM: Metal snaps can detach

from garment causing a choking hazard.

REMEDY: Customers who purchased the recalled product online will be mailed a postage-paid envelop with instructions for returning the vest(s) for a full refund. For questions, contact The Children's Place Services Company, LLC (877) 752-2387 at www.childrensplace.com.

**PRODUCT/FIRM:** Falls Creek Infant Boy Shoes by Meijer



BRAND/MODEL: This recall involves Meijer Falls Creek infant boy casual shoes with bungee laces and toggles. The brown leather shoes were sold in infant sizes 5 to 10 and have "Falls Creek" imprinted on the bottom of the shoes. This product was sold

at Meijer stores nationwide from July 2010 through September 2010 for about \$15.

**PROBLEM:** The shoe lace toggles can detach, posing a choking hazard to young children.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately take the recalled shoes away from children. Consumers can remove and discard the toggles to eliminate the hazard or return the product to any Meijer store for a full refund. For additional information, contact Meijer at **(800) 927-8699** or visit www.meijer.com.

**PRODUCT/FIRM:** Heritage Collection 3-in-1 drop-side cribs by Victory Land Group, Inc.

**BRAND/MODEL**: This recall involves Heritage Collection 3-in-1 drop-side cribs with Kmart model



numbers 07-1248 and 07-1252. They were sold in natural and white colors. A label with Kmart and the model numbers can be found on the inner side of the crib's headboard or footboard on the bottom rail. The 3-in-1 infant

cribs can also be converted into a toddler bed and a double bed. This product was sold at Kmart stores nationwide from February 2007 through October 2008 for about \$130.

**PROBLEM:** The crib's drop-side rail can malfunction, detach or otherwise fail, causing part of the drop-side to detach from the crib. When the drop-side rail partially detaches, it creates a space between the drop side and the crib mattress. An infant or toddler's body can become entrapped in the space, which can lead to strangulation and/or suffocation. A child can also fall out of the crib. Drop-side incidents can also occur due to age-related wear and tear.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately stop using the cribs and contact Victory Land Group at **(866) 499-2099** or visit <a href="www.victorylandgroup.com">www.victorylandgroup.com</a> for a free repair kit that will immobilize the drop-side rail. In the meantime, parents are urged to find an alternate, safe sleeping environment for the child, such as a bassinet, play yard or toddler bed depending on the child's age.

**PRODUCT/FIRM:** Drop-side Cribs by Angel Line **BRAND/MODEL:** This recall involves the following models of Longwood Forest drop-side cribs with plastic drop-side hardware: 6103S, 6105S, 6108S, 8025P, 8029P. They were sold in white, brown, natural and oak colors. "Longwood Forest" or "Angel Line" and the model numbers are printed on a label on the crib's

headboard. The firm's fixed-side cribs and drop-side cribs with metal rod-type hardware are not included in this recall. This product was sold on the web at



Ababy.com, Babyage.com and other Web retailers from December 2004 through January 2009 for about \$140.

**PROBLEM:** The crib's drop-side rail hardware can malfunction, detach or otherwise fail, causing part of the drop-side rail to detach from the crib. When the drop-side rail partially detaches,

it creates a space between the drop side and crib mattress. An infant or toddler's body can become entrapped in the space, which can lead to strangulation and/or suffocation. A child can also fall out of the crib. Drop-side incidents also can occur due to age-related wear and tear.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled cribs and contact Angel Line at **(800) 889-8158** or <a href="mailto:parts@angelline.com">parts@angelline.com</a> to receive for a free repair kit that will immobilize the drop-side rail. In meantime, parents are used to find an alternate, safe sleeping environment for the child, such as a bassinet, play yard or toddler bed depending on the child's age.

**PRODUCT/FIRM:** Drop-Side Cribs by Ethan Allen **BRAND/MODEL:** This recall involves Ethan Allen brand cribs with item numbers 14-5650, 15-5650, 16-5650, 26-



5650, 35-5622, 36-5620, 36-5622 and 38-5622. "Ethan Allen" and the item numbers are printed on a label on the crib's headboard or footboard. The cribs were sold in a variety of colors. This product was sold at Ethan Allen stores from January

2002 through December 2008 for between \$500 and \$900.

**PROBLEM:** The crib's drop-side rail hardware can malfunction, detach or otherwise fail, causing part of the drop-side to detach from the crib. When the drop-side rail partially detaches, it creates a space between the drop side and the crib mattress. An infant or toddler's body can become entrapped in the space, which can lead to strangulation and/or suffocation. A child can also fall out of the crib. Drop-side incidents can also occur due to incorrect assembly and with age-related wear and toar.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled drop-side cribs and contact any Ethan Allen store to receive a free repair kit that will immobilize the drop-side rail. In the meantime, parents are urged to find an alternate, safe sleeping environment for the child, such as a bassinet, play yard or toddler bed depending on the child's age. For additional information, contact Ethan Allen at **(888) 339-9398** or visit **www.ethanallen.com**.

**PRODUCT/FIRM:** Infant's Overalls by Lollytags Ltd.

**BRAND/MODEL:** This recall involves Infants' Carhatt® overalls with style numbers GG8500 (100% cotton



canvas) and GG8501 (100% cotton knit). The overalls were sold in brown or red in infant sizes 3,6,9,12,18 and 24 months. The Carhatt logo is sewn on the front of the garment and the style numbers can be found on the sewn-in label hanging from the sleeve. This product was sold at retailers nationwide from February 2010 through July 2010 for about \$25.

**PROBLEM:** The overalls have snaps that could come loose and pose a choking hazard to young children.

**REMEDY:** Consumer should immediately take the overalls away from children and return them to the place of purchase for a full refund or store credit. For additional information, contact Lollytogs at **(800) 637-9035** or visit <a href="https://www.ltapparel.com">www.ltapparel.com</a>.

**PRODUCT/FIRM:** Sleep and Study Loft Beds by PBteen a division of Williams-Sonoma, Inc.

**BRAND/MODEL:** This recall involves PBteen Sleep and Study Loft beds in a variety of colors: espresso, honey,



white and black. The bed is elevated and has a desk and bookcase underneath it. The beds were sold in the following colors: honey, black, espresso and white. This product was sold at PBteen stores in Georgia, New York and Illinois and online at <a href="https://www.pbteen.com">www.pbteen.com</a> for about \$1,800. The recalled loft

beds were delivered to consumers from January 2008 through July 2010.

**PROBLEM:** The side rail on the bed can crack allowing on the mattress support to collapse, posing a fall and injury hazard to users.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately contact PBteen at **(877) 494-9822** or visit <u>www.pbteen.com</u> to schedule installation of a free replacement side rail support bracket.

**PRODUCT/FIRM:** Single City X3 and X3 Sport Jogging Strollers by Tike Tech Ltd.

**BRAND/MODEL:** The recall involves the grab bar on the Tike Tech Single City X# and X3 Sport strollers.



"Tike Tech" is printed on the footrest and on the back of the stroller on the left and right sides. The ID codes are located on the interior left side frame. The following ID codes are included in this recall: TT-18-01, TT-18-02, TT-18-03, TT-18-04, TT-18-05, TT-18-06 and TT-18-07. The grab bar is

optional and can be removed from the stroller. This product was sold at juvenile product stores nationwide

and websites including <a href="www.amazon.com">www.amazon.com</a> from October 2009 through February 2010 for about \$300.

**PROBLEM:** The opening between the grab bar and seat bottom of the stroller can allow an infant's body to pass through and become entrapped at the neck by the grab bar, posing a strangulation hazard to young children when a child is not harnessed. When using a stroller, parents and caregivers are encouraged to always secure children by using the safety harness and never to leave them unattended.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately remove the grab bar from the stroller and contact Tike Tech at **(800) 296-4602** or visit <a href="www.tiketech.com">www.tiketech.com</a> to receive a free replacement grab bar.

**PRODUCT/FIRM:** Tri Mode Single and Twin Jogging Strollers by Valco Baby

**BRAND/MODEL:** This recall involves the grab bar on Tri Mode Single and Twin Strollers. "Valco Baby" is printed on the head rest and padding on the footboard.



The grab bar is optional and can be removed from the stroller. The stroller's model numbers are located on the white sticker on the left hand side of the brake bar. The recalled strollers with the following affected grab bars are in this recall: RUN6140, RUN6141, RUN6142,

RUN6143, RUN6144, RUN6145, RUN6146, RUN6147, RUN7710, RUN7711, TRI8800, TRI8801, TRI8802, TRI8803, TRI8890, TRI9103, TRI9104, TRI9105, TRI9106, TRI1033, TRI1034 and TRI1035. These products were sold at juvenile product stores and websites including <a href="www.amazon.com">www.amazon.com</a> between November 2007 and March 2010 for \$480 to \$700.

**PROBLEM:** The opening between the grab bar and seat bottom of the stroller can allow an infant's body to pass through and become entrapped at the neck by the grab bar, posing a strangulation hazard to young children when a child is not harnessed. When using a stroller, parents and caregivers are encouraged to always secure children by using the safety harness and never to leave them unattended.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately remove the grab bar from the stroller and contact Valco Baby at **(800) 610-7850** or visit <a href="www.valcobaby.com">www.valcobaby.com</a> to receive a free replacement grab bar.

**PRODUCT/FIRM:** Alexander Designs Ltd. brand dropside cribs by Jardine Enterprises Ltd.

**BRAND/MODEL:** This recall involves full-size cribs sold under the Alexander Designs name brand. "Alexander Designs Ltd" and the JCPenney catalog/item number are printed on a label on the crib's headboard. The following models are included: Alexander 3-in-1 Crib # 343-8359 in honey pine and in white; Alexander Classic Crib #343-8180 in cherry, honey pine and white; and Alexander Sleigh Crib #343-8802 in cherry and white. These product were sold through JCPenney printed catalogs

and online at JCPenney.com from March 2003 through April 2007 for about \$200.

PROBLEM: The drop-side rail hardware on the cribs



can break or fail, allowing the drop side to detach from the crib. When the drop side detaches, a hazardous gap is created between the drop-side rail and the crib mattress in which infants and toddlers can become wedged or entrapped, posing risks of suffocation and strangulation. In addition, children can fall out of the crib when the drop-side rail

falls unexpectedly or detaches from the crib. Drop-side rail failures also can occur due to incorrect assembly or with age-related wear and tear. Other models of Jardine drop-side cribs were recalled on June 24, 2010.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately stop using the cribs and obtain a free repair kit that will immobilize the drop-size rail. In the meantime, parents are urged to find an alternate, safe sleeping environment for the child, such as a bassinet, play yard or toddler bed depending on the child's age. For additional information, contact Jardine at (800) 295-1980 or visit www.jdservice.biz/jcp-safety-notice.

PRODUCT/FIRM: Quattro<sup>™</sup> and MetroLite<sup>™</sup> by Graco BRAND/MODEL: This recall involves Graco Quattro Tour<sup>™</sup> strollers and travel systems manufactured prior to November 2006 and MetroLlite<sup>™</sup> stroller and travel



systems manufactured prior to July 2007. The strollers and travel systems were distributed between November 2000 and December 2007. The model numbers are printed on a label at the lower portion of the rear

frame, just above the rear wheels or underneath the stroller. The name "Graco" appears on a label on the stroller tray and the headrest. Quattro and MetroLite stroller ending with the number 3 are not affected by this recall. These strollers were sold at AAFES, Babies R Us, Burlington Coat Factory, Fred Meyer, Meijers, Navy Exchange, Sears, Target, Walmart and other stores nationwide between November 2000 and December 2007 for between \$90 and \$190 and between \$190 and \$250 for travel systems.

**PROBLEM:** Entrapment and strangulation can occur, especially to children younger than 12 months of age, when a child is not harnessed. An infant can pass thorough the opening between the stroller tray and seat bottom, but his/her head and neck can become entrapped by the tray. Infants who become entrapped at the neck are at risk of strangulation.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled strollers and contact Graco at **(877) 828-4046** or visit <a href="www.gracobaby.com">www.gracobaby.com</a> for a free repair kit.

**PRODUCT/FIRM:** Chaperone Infant Car Seats by Britax Child Safety, Inc.

**BRAND/MODEL:** This recall includes Chaperone infant car seats with model numbers E9L69N9 (Moonstone), E9L69P2 (Red Mill), E9L69P3 (Savannah) and E9L69P5



(Camouflage) sold in the United States All recalled models were manufactured between April 2009 and May 2010. The white serial label with the seat's serial number, model

number, and manufacture date can be found on the underside of the car seat. This product was sold at mass and independent retailers nationwide and on the Britax websites from June 2009 to October 2010 for about \$30.

**PROBLEM:** The harness chest clip can break and pose a laceration hazard to young children. Due to its small size it also appears to be a choking hazard to young children.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately contact Britax at **(888) 427-4829** or visit <a href="www.britax.com">www.britax.com</a> for a free repair kit, which includes a replacement chest clip.

**PRODUCT/FIRM:** Hooded Jackets and Sweatshirts by VOS Sport, Inc.

**BRAND/FIRM:** This recall involves all children's hooded sweatshirts and nylon hooded jackets with drawstring sold under the brand name "VOS Sports." The



sweatshirt and jackets were sold in assorted sizes including S, M or L and in to 14 colors. "VOS Sports" and "RN# 94353" are printed on the sewn-in label. The following are included in this recall: style # A1071 Nylon Jacket in black, navy, Hunter green, gold, royal, burgundy,

and red in sizes small and medium; style # B300 Nylon Jacket in black, Carolina blue, green gold, maroon, navy, orange, purple, red, royal blue and white in small, medium and large; style # B600 Nylon Jacket in black/black, black/blue, black/red, navy/gold and navy/navy in small, medium and large; style # B700 Nylon Jack in black/black, black/blue, black/red, navy/gold and navy/navy in small and medium; style# B900 Sweatshirt in green, maroon, navy, orange, purple, red, royal and blue in small and medium; style # 1066 Nylon Jacket in white and black in small, medium and large. These products were sold at various sweatshirts and jacket outlet stores nationwide from January 2005 through February 2010 for about \$17 to \$34.

**PROBLEM:** The children's hooded sweatshirts have a drawstring through the hood and/or waist that can pose a strangulation hazard or entrapment hazard to children. **REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately remove the drawstrings from the sweatshirts and jackets to eliminate the hazard or contact VOS Sports, Inc. at **(888) 268-6867** or visit <a href="www.vossoports.com">www.vossoports.com</a> for instructions on how to return the item for a full refund.

**PRODUCT/FIRM:** Bassettbaby drop-side cribs with external plastic hardware by Bassett Furniture Industries, Inc.

**BRAND/MODEL:** The recalled cribs are wood with a metal mattress support and have a drop side with



external plastic hardware. The cribs were sold in a variety of finishes. A label is attached to the footboard or headboard with the names "Bassettbaby" or "Bassett Furniture Industries, Inc." as well as the model number, production date and other information. On some older models,

the manufacturer's name appears on a separate label. This recall does not include non drop-side cribs. This product was sold at Children's product stores and other retailers nationwide and on-line from January 2000 through August 2010 for between \$200 and \$500.

**PROBLEM:** The crib's drop-side rail can malfunction, detach or otherwise fail, causing part of the drop side to detach from the crib. When a drop-side rail partially detaches, it creates a space between the drop-side and the crib mattress. An infant or toddler's body can become entrapped in the space, which can lead to strangulation and/or suffocation. A child also can fall out of the crib. Drop-side incidents also can occur due to incorrect assembly and age-related wear and tear.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled drop-side cribs and contact Bassettbaby for a free repair kit that will immobilize the drop side. In the meantime, parents are urged to find an alternate, safe sleeping environment for the child, such as a bassinet, play yard or toddler bed depending on the child's age. For additional information, contact Bassettbaby at (800) 308-7485 or visit <a href="https://www.bassettbaby.com">www.bassettbaby.com</a>.

**PRODUCT/FIRM:** The First Years American Red Cross Cabinet Swing Locks by Learning Curve Brands, Inc. **BRAND/MODEL:** This recall involves The First Years

American Red Cross cabinet swing locks with item number Y7181. The latches are mounted on cabinets or



drawers to help prevent young children from gaining access and were sold two per blister card. An American Red Cross logo and "cabinet swing lock" is printed on the package. "American Red Cross" is molded onto the front of the lock. A date code is printed on the bottom of the back of the package and on the back side of each latch just above the connection point. This product was sold at Toys R Us and other

retail stores nationwide and on the Internet from September 2008 through September 2010 for about \$4 per pair.

**PROBLEM:** The installed latches can break and children could gain access to contents of a cabinet, posing the risk of exposure to hazardous items.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately remove the latches from cabinets, record the date code on the back of each latch and contact The First Years at **(866) 725-4407** to obtain a \$5 coupon toward the purchase of

another Learning Curve product. When removing the latches, consumers should take special care to store hazardous items out of reach of children.

**PRODUCT/FIRM:** Baby Leg Warmers and socks by BabyUnited LLC dba BabyLegs

**BRAND/MODEL:** This recall involves only those BabyLegs brand leg warmers, ankle-high socks and



knee-high socks adorned with a heart-shaped appliqué. The recalled products are pink, white or purple cable knit socks and leg warmers. These products were sold at <a href="https://www.babylegs.com">www.babylegs.com</a> and independent retailers from August 2010 to November 2010 for about \$11 per pair.

**PROBLEM:** The leg warmers and socks have a heart appliqué that can detach, posing a choking hazard to small children.

**REMEDY:** Consumers should immediately take the recalled socks and leg warmers away from children. Consumers can remove and discard the heart appliqué to eliminate the hazard or contact BabyLegs at **(800) 791-6098** or visit <a href="www.babylegs.com">www.babylegs.com</a> to receive a full refund or a coupon to be redeemed on the BabyLegs website.

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**Note:** The daycare facility must be registered with DSS to join the Safety Box Mailing List.

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