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# CPSC RECALL SNAPSHOT

A MONTHLY REVIEW OF CONSUMER PRODUCT RECALLS  
AND CIVIL PENALTIES ANNOUNCED BY THE CPSC



May 2019

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

The CPSC was in the spotlight in April. Earlier in the month, the U.S. House Consumer Protection and Commerce Subcommittee conducted a hearing on CPSC oversight, “Protecting Americans from Dangerous Products: Is the Consumer Product Safety Commission Fulfilling Its Mission?” A [video of the hearing](#) can be found on the House Committee on Energy & Commerce’s website.

Two days after the hearing, the CPSC alerted certain manufacturers that there was an unauthorized disclosure of nonpublic manufacturer information identifying companies by name along with product model names and/or model numbers. This information was released without following statutory procedures laid out in the Consumer Product Safety Act. Identity of the recipients of the information or other details surrounding the unauthorized disclosure were not released in the notice, but the CPSC informed manufacturers that they contacted recipients and requested that they return or destroy the disclosed information.

When the CPSC discloses information that will permit the public to readily ascertain a manufacturer’s identity, Section 6(b) of the CPSA requires the CPSC to ensure that the information is accurate and the disclosure is fair in the circumstances. The CPSC is also required to give the manufacturer an opportunity to respond to the information and to include that response with the disclosure. Those procedures were not followed here.

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

#### NUMBER OF RECALLS BY PRODUCT CATEGORY

Appliances – 3      Child/Infant – 9      Electronics – 3      Furniture – 1      Housewares – 2  
Miscellaneous – 1      Sporting Goods – 4      Vehicles – 2      Yard Equipment – 2

PRODUCT	PRODUCT CATEGORY	ALLEGED HAZARD	REPORTED INJURIES	NUMBER OF PRODUCTS
Boiler <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Appliances	Poison Hazard	0	2,900 U.S. 1,400 Can.
Portable Heater <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Appliances	Fire/Burn Hazard	0	20,000 U.S. 49 Can.
Smokeless Grill <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Appliances	Fire/Burn Hazard	1	40,200
Bed Canopy <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Child/Infant	Fire/Burn Hazard	1	23,900 U.S. 950 Can.
Children's Bathrobe <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Child/Infant	Burn Hazard	0	980 U.S. 60 Can.
Children's Loungewear <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Child/Infant	Burn Hazard	0	120
Infant Fur Jacket <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Child/Infant	Choking Hazard	1	1,550
Pain Relief Cream <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Child/Infant	Poison Hazard	0	410
Rock 'n Play Sleeper <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Child/Infant	Death Hazard	30	4.7 million
Rocking Sleeper <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Child/Infant	Death Hazard	5	694,000

PRODUCT	PRODUCT CATEGORY	ALLEGED HAZARD	REPORTED INJURIES	NUMBER OF PRODUCTS
Toy Train Cart <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Child/Infant	Choking Hazard	0	2,200
Wooden Toy Vehicle <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Child/Infant	Choking Hazard	0	495,000
Power Bank Charger <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Electronics	Fire Hazard	0	4,500 U.S. 2,600 Can.
Sound Machine <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Electronics	Burn Hazard	0	5,000
Wireless Charger <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Electronics	Burn Hazard	2	4,800 U.S. 200 Can.
Canopy Bed <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Furniture	Injury Hazard	0	2,900 U.S. 135 Can.
Espresso Maker <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Housewares	Fire/Burn Hazard	0	500
Shag Rug <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Housewares	Fire Hazard	0	6,200
Massage Balls <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Misc.	Burn Hazard	17	60,000
Bicycle <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Sporting Goods	Injury Hazard	1	1,900
Bicycle <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Sporting Goods	Fall/Injury Hazard	0	63,000
Diving Mask <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Sporting Goods	Injury Hazard	0	1,000
Tree Stand <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Sporting Goods	Fall Hazard	0	2,600
Motorcycle <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Vehicles	Crash Hazard	0	780
Snowmobile <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Vehicles	Fire Hazard	0	9,000 U.S. 5,500 Can.
Lawn Mower <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Yard Equipment	Injury Hazard	0	5,000
Snow Blower and Broom Attachment <a href="#">Press Release</a>	Yard Equipment	Injury Hazard	0	2,550

**The CPSC did not announce any civil penalties in April.**

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, [www.SaferProducts.gov](http://www.SaferProducts.gov). For additional information or questions about recalls, the SaferProducts.gov database or other CPSC issues, please email [catherine.payne@alston.com](mailto:catherine.payne@alston.com) or visit the firm's website at [www.alston.com](http://www.alston.com).

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