

Safety Alert Bulletin

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Home Fragrance Holdings, Inc. Recalls Candles Sold at Pier 1 Imports Due to Fire Hazard

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WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with the firm named below, today announced a voluntary recall of the following consumer product. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed.

Name of Product: Cement Candles

Units: About 413,000 candles

Importer/Distributor: Home Fragrance Holdings Inc., Houston, Texas

Hazard: The candles can unexpectedly flare, posing a fire hazard to consumers.

Incidents/Injuries: Home Fragrance Holdings, Inc. has received nine reports from Pier 1 Imports of incidents involving flaring of the candles. No injuries reported.

Description and Models: The recalled candles are cylindrical pillars measuring 3"(d) x 4" (h), 3"(d) x 6"(h), and 4"(d) x 6"(h) with a sand layer base. The recalled models are the Cement Aspen Flower (White), SKUs 2115564, 2115577, 2115592; Cement Downpour (Grey), SKUs 2118150, 2118176, 2118189; Cement Biscotti (Khaki), SKUs 2115523, 2115536, 2115549; and Cement Citrus Cilantro (Green), SKUs 2115499, 2115508, 2115510.

Sold by: Pier 1 Imports through its retail stores nationwide, its Web site (<http://www.pier1.com>) and its Summer 2006 catalog from February 2006 through May 2006 for between \$10 and \$20.

Manufactured In: Guatemala

Remedy: Consumers should stop using the recalled candles immediately and return them to their nearest Pier 1 Imports retail store for a full refund or merchandise credit.

Consumer Contact: For more information, contact Pier 1 Imports at (800) 245-4595 between 8 a.m. and 11 p.m. CT Monday through Saturday and 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. CT Sunday, or visit the firm's Web site at:

<http://www.pier1.com>

To see this recall on CPSC's web site, including a picture of the recalled product, please go to:

<http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml06/06204.html>



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