

Safety Alert Bulletin

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School Specialty Publishing Recalls Children's Science Kits for Thermal Burn 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: "Ideal" and "Brighter Child" Brand Science Kits

Units: About 43,000

Distributor: School Specialty Publishing, of Columbus, Ohio

Manufactured In: South Africa

Hazard: The battery case in the science kit can overheat, posing a thermal burn hazard.

Incidents/Injuries: School Specialty has received one report of the battery case overheating, which resulted in a young boy receiving minor burns to his fingers.

Description and Models: This recall involves Ideal and Brighter Child-brand science kits. Models included are "All About Electricity," "All About Magnets," "The Science Search Lab: Electricity," and "The Science Search Lab: Light." The kits were sold in brightly colored 11 3/4-inch by 12-inch boxes with a plastic window and door flap on the front.

Sold at: Educational stores and bookstores nationwide, and the schoolspecialty.com Web site, from July 2004 through May 2006 for between \$16 and \$24.

Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using the science kits and return them to the place of purchase or School Specialty for a refund.

Consumer Contact: For more information, consumers can contact School Specialty toll-free at (800) 253-5469 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's Web site at:

www.schoolspecialtypublishing.com

To see this recall on CPSC's web site, including pictures of the recalled products, please go to:

<http://www.cpsc.gov/cpsc/pub/prerel/prhtml06/06240.html>



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