

Analysis of Consumer Products Recall Cases (January 2023)




In January 2023, there were totally 28 consumer products recalled cases (excluding toys, electrical appliances and textiles) from EU Rapex system. As for country of origin, one was from Austria, one was from Germany, one was from Italy, one was from Finland, one was from Poland, three were unknown, the rest were all from mainland of China. There were 6 baby carrier cases recalled that carrier insufficient attachment options, the baby carrier cannot ensure adequate support. A baby may slip out of the carrier, fall and be fatally injured.

There were 5 recalled cases from America, as for country of origin, all from mainland of China.

There were 4 recalled cases from Canada, as for country of origin, all from mainland of China.

There were 6 recalled cases from Australia, which the country of origin was unknown.

EU Recalls

NO.	Picture	Recalled Products	Recall Reasons	Violations	Measures
1		Children's high chair (China)	The construction allows the seat of the high chair to slide away and come off. A child can fall out of the chair, resulting in injuries.	GPSD regulation	Withdrawal of the product from the market
2		Jump rope (Unknown)	The plastic material of the product contains an excessive concentration of bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP), di- 'isononyl' phthalate (DINP) and diisobutyl phthalate (DIBP) (measured values: 2.53%, 0.20% and 7.96% by weight, respectively) and short-chain chlorinated paraffins (SCCP) (measured values: up to 4.43% by weight). These phthalates may harm the health by possibly causing damage to the reproductive system. SCCPs persist in the environment, are toxic to aquatic organisms at low concentrations and bioaccumulate in wildlife and humans, posing a risk to human health and the environment.	REACH Regulation and POPs Regulation	Withdrawal of the product from the market
3		Decorative grapes (China)	Due to its characteristic form, colour and size, the product may be mistaken for real foodstuff. The plastic grapes can easily detach, in particular if bitten into, and children may put them in the mouth and choke.	Food Imitating Products Directive	Withdrawal of the product from the market

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4		Decorative fruit (China)	The products could be confused with food and swallowed, in particular by children. A small child can put them in the mouth and choke.	Food Imitating Products Directive	Withdrawal of the product from the market
5		Table cloth weights (Austria)	The product can be mistaken for food, in particular by children. A small child can put it in the mouth and choke.	Food Imitating Products Directive	Stop of sales
6		Jewellery set (China)	The eyelets of the pendants contain an excessive amount of cadmium (measured values up to 576 mg/kg). Cadmium is harmful to health. It accumulates in the body, can damage the kidneys and bones and cause cancer.	REACH Regulation	Import rejected at border
7		Disposable electronic cigarette (China)	The product contains an excessive concentration of nicotine and excessive volume of liquid. Nicotine is acutely toxic and can endanger the user's safety, notably if the product comes into contact with the skin or is ingested.	Tobacco Products Directive	Withdrawal of the product from the market
8		Liquid for electronic cigarettes (Germany)	The product contains butane-2,3-dione (diacetyl) (measured value: 1.27 mg/l). Diacetyl is toxic if inhaled, causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure, is a highly flammable liquid and vapour, is harmful if swallowed, causes serious eye damage and causes skin irritation.	Tobacco Products Directive	Withdrawal of the product from the market

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9		Earrings (Unknown)	The product contains an excessive amount of cadmium (measured value: 32% by weight). Cadmium is harmful to human health because it accumulates in the body, can damage the kidneys and bones and it may cause cancer.	REACH Regulation	Withdrawal of the product from the market
10		Particle filter mask (China)	The particle/filter retention of the material is insufficient (measured values: as low as 86%). Consequently, the product does not fulfil the health and safety requirements; thus, even if combined with other recommended measures, it may not properly protect.	EN 149	Withdrawal of the product from the market
11		Mattress (Italy)	The zip that allows the removal of the mattress opens easily, leaving the filling material accessible. A small child may put this in the mouth and choke.	GPSD Regulation	Stop of sales
12		Particle filter mask (China)	The total filtration capacity of the mask is insufficient. Consequently, the product does not fulfil the health and safety requirements; thus, even if combined with other recommended measures, it may not properly protect.	EN 149	Withdrawal of the product from the market

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13		Baby carrier (China)	Due to insufficient attachment options, the baby carrier cannot ensure adequate support. A baby may slip out of the carrier, fall and be fatally injured.	EN 13209-2	Withdrawal of the product from the market
14		Particle filter mask (Finland)	The particle/filter retention of the material is insufficient (measured values as low as 46%). Consequently, the product does not fulfil the health and safety requirements; thus, even if combined with other recommended measures, it may not properly protect.	EN 149	Withdrawal of the product from the market
15		Ring (China)	The product has excessive concentration of cadmium (measured value: 87%). Cadmium is harmful to health. It accumulates in the body, can damage the kidneys and bones and cause cancer.	REACH Regulation	Removal of this product listing by the online marketplace
16		Baby carrier (China)	Due to insufficient attachment options on the baby carrier, proper support is not ensured and a baby may slip out of the carrier, fall and suffer fatal injuries.	EN 13209-2	Withdrawal of the product from the market
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18		Particle filter mask (China)	The physical resistance of the filtering material is too high (measured values: up to 2,88 mbar) and prevents a user to breathe properly, creating a risk for the user to suffocate.	EN 149	Withdrawal of the product from the market
19		Disposable electronic cigarette (China)	The product has an excessive volume of nicotine-containing liquid and a too high concentration of nicotine. This can lead to accidental consumption of a high dose of nicotine.	Tobacco Products Directive	Withdrawal of the product from the market
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21		Necklace with pendant (Unknown)	The product releases an excessive amount of nickel (measured value up to 30.5 µg/cm ² /week). Nickel is a strong sensitiser and can cause allergic reactions if present in articles that come into direct and prolonged contact with the skin.	REACH Regulation	Removal of this product listing by the online marketplace
22		Disposable electronic cigarette (China)	The product contains a too high concentration of nicotine and excessive volume of liquid. Nicotine is acutely toxic and can endanger the user's safety, notably if the product comes into contact with the skin or is ingested.	Tobacco Products Directive	Withdrawal of the product from the market

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23		Children's cot (Poland)	There are gaps between the slats of the base of the crib. A child's extremities could get caught in the gaps between the slats, causing entrapment.	EN 716-1	Withdrawal of the product from the market
24		Baby carrier (China)	Due to the insufficient attachment options on the baby carrier, the support is inadequate and the baby may slip out of the carrier. The baby may fall and suffer injuries.	EN 13209-2	Withdrawal of the product from the market
25		Baby carrier (China)	Due to the insufficient attachment options on the baby carrier, the support is inadequate and the baby may slip out of the carrier. The baby may fall and suffer injuries.	EN 13209-2	Withdrawal of the product from the market
26		Baby carrier (China)	Due to the insufficient attachment options on the baby carrier, the support is inadequate and the baby may slip out of the carrier. The baby may fall and suffer injuries.	EN 13209-2	Withdrawal of the product from the market
27		Mirror (China)	The fittings, that attach mirrors to the wall, can easily break. Therefore, the mirror may fall off and break, resulting in glass shards causing cuts or injuries.	GPSD	Withdrawal of the product from the market

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28		Wristwatch (China)	The wrist strap contains an excessive concentration of dibutyl phthalate (DBP), bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP), di-'isononyl' phthalate (DINP) and diisobutyl phthalate (DIBP) (measured values: up to 5.8 % by weight) and short-chain chlorinated paraffins (SCCPs) (measured values: up to 0,72 % by weight). These phthalates may harm the health of children, causing possible damage to their reproductive system. SCCPs persist in the environment, are toxic to aquatic organisms at low concentrations and bioaccumulate in wildlife and humans, posing a risk to human health and the environment.	REACH Regulation and POPs Regulation	Withdrawal of the product from the market

US Recalls

NO.	Picture	Recalled Products	Recall Reasons	Measures
1		Scented candles (China)	The product can combust while lit causing the glass container to break, posing fire and injury hazards.	Refund
2		Helmets (China)	The recalled helmets do not comply with the positional stability and retention system requirements of the U.S. CPSC federal safety standard for bicycle helmets. The helmets can fail to protect in the event of a crash, posing a risk of head injury.	Refund

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3		Hot Chocolate Pots (China)	The hot chocolate pots are mislabeled as microwave safe. If microwaved, the metallic paint on the pots can spark, posing a fire hazard.	Refund
4		Rock Play Sleepers (China)	Infant fatalities have occurred in the Rock 'n Play Sleepers, after the infants rolled from their back to their stomach or side while unrestrained, or under other circumstances.	Refund
5		Rocking Sleepers (China)	Infant fatalities have occurred in the Rocking Sleepers,, after the infants rolled from their back to their stomach or side while unrestrained, or under other circumstances.	Refund

Canada Recalls

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1		Bear Mugs (China)	Ceramic mugs, mug ornaments, and houseware products may have been subject to humid conditions. As a result, mould may be present under the glazed surface of the products. Mould ingestion may pose a risk of gastrointestinal symptoms and infections in consumers with compromised immune systems.	Refund

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2		Hot Chocolate Pots (China)	The hot chocolate pots are mislabeled as microwave safe. If microwaved, the metallic paint on the pots can spark, posing a fire hazard.	Refund
3		Mirror (China)	that some of the plastic fittings, attaching the mirror to the wall, appear to be breaking, which could lead to the mirrors falling, posing an injury hazard.	Refund
4		Mushroom Soothing Teether (China)	Mini Mushroom Soothing Teether is a pacifier and does not meet the requirements of the Pacifiers Regulations. Specifically, the guard or shield of the pacifier can block the airway of the user, posing a suffocation hazard to young babies and children.	Stop using

Australia Recalls

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1		Stainless-steel bottles (Unknown)	Lead poses a poisoning risk to children. If lead is ingested by young children it can cause adverse health effects.	Refund

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2		Baby sleep sack (Unknown)	Weighted sleepwear can restrict an infant's chest and abdominal movement which increases the risk of suffocation. Weighted products can also limit an infant's movements. For example, if an infant rolled onto its stomach it may not be able to roll back over.	Refund
3		Halloween LED Ornaments (Unknown)	Consumers may be unaware that the product uses a button battery and the risks posed by button batteries. If young children gain access to button batteries and ingest them, they are likely to suffer severe internal burn injuries, which can result in serious injury or death. Button batteries also pose a choking hazard to young children.	Refund
4		Chair (Unknown)	If the leg breaks and the chair collapses while a person is sitting on it, there is a risk of injury to the user.	Refund
5		Mirror (Unknown)	Shattered glass from the mirrors has caused laceration injuries.	Replacement
6		Pink Ombre Acrylic Vase (Unknown)	If the product catches fire, damage to property, burns, serious injury or death could occur.	Refund

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