

## Recall summary – European Toys

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Alert No.	Notifying Country	Product	Product Photo	Hazard/ Risk	Measures Adopted
A12/0276/17	Malta	<b>Fancy dress costume</b>  <b>Country of origin:</b> China		<b>Strangulation</b> There are loose strings in the neck area which could lead to strangulation. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 14682.	Temporary ban on the supply, offer to supply and display of the product (By: <b>Retailer</b> )
A12/0278/17	United Kingdom	<b>Wooden toy</b>  <b>Country of origin:</b> China		<b>Choking</b> The wooden eye may be easily detached during use, generating a small part which could cause choking if placed in the mouth by a young child. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71-1.	Recall of the product from end users (By: <b>Importer</b> )
A12/0288/17	France	<b>Mini rake</b>  <b>Country of origin:</b> France		<b>Injuries</b> The teeth of the rake are not protected and, when placed on the floor with the teeth pointing upwards, present a risk of injury and even perforation for child users, who may fall on it. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71-1.	Recall of the product from end users, Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Manufacturer</b> )
A12/0293/17	France	<b>Crossbow and arrows</b>  <b>Country of origin:</b> Germany		<b>Injuries</b> The kinetic energy of projectiles fired from the crossbow is too high which can lead to eye injuries. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71-1.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Distributor</b> )
A12/0296/17	Poland	<b>Toy gun</b>  <b>Country of origin:</b> China		<b>Choking</b> The suction cups detach easily from the projectiles. If a child puts the projectile in the mouth to wet it before shooting, for example, the suction cup could detach blocking the airways. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European Standard EN 71-1.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Importer</b> )

A12/0297/17	Poland	<b>Pull-along toy</b>  <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Choking</b> The toy breaks easily, generating small parts. A small child may put them in the mouth and choke. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71-1.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Importer</b> )
A12/0302/17	Czech Republic	<b>Plastic dolls</b>  <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Chemical</b> The plastic material of the dolls contains di-(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP) (measured value 17.2% by weight). This phthalate may harm the health of children, causing possible damage to the reproductive system. According to the REACH Regulation the phthalates DEHP, DBP and BBP are prohibited in all toys and childcare articles.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Retailer</b> )
A12/0305/17	Hungary	<b>Toy gun set</b>  <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Choking</b> The suction cups can be easily detached from the projectiles. If a child puts the projectile in the mouth, the suction cup may detach and obstruct the airways. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71-1.	Recall of the product from end users, Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Importer</b> )
A12/0306/17	Hungary	<b>Toy police set</b>  <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Chemical, Choking</b> The suction cups can be easily detached from the projectiles. If a child puts the projectile in the mouth, the suction cup may detach and obstruct the airways. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71-1. Moreover, the product contains di-(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP) (4% by weight) and dibutyl phthalate (DBP) (23% by weight). These phthalates may harm the health of children, causing possible damage to the reproductive system. According to the REACH Regulation, the phthalates DEHP, DBP and BBP are prohibited in all toys and childcare articles.	Recall of the product from end users, Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Distributor</b> )

A12/0307/17	Hungary	<b>Toy gun</b>  <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Damage to hearing, Damage to sight</b> The sound level is too high and could cause damage to hearing. The laser is too powerful and could cause damage to sight. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standards EN 71-1 and EN 62115.	Recall of the product from end users, Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Distributor</b> )
A12/0309/17	Malta	<b>Fancy-dress costume</b>  <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Strangulation</b> The cords of the headpiece are too long and can be trapped during various activities of the child, causing strangulation. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 14682.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Retailer</b> )
A12/0313/17	The Netherlands/ Austria/ France	<b>Wooden toy</b>  <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Chemical</b> The transparent varnish and the printed coatings on the wood contain benzyl butyl phthalate (BBP) (measured value up to 1.27 % by weight). This phthalate may harm the health of children, causing possible damage to the reproductive system. According to the REACH Regulation the phthalates DEHP, DBP and BBP are prohibited in all toys and childcare articles.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Importer</b> )
A12/0315/17	Spain	<b>Plastic dolls</b>  <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Chemical</b> The plastic material of the dolls' heads contains di-(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP) (measured value more than 20% by weight). This phthalate may harm the health of children, causing possible damage to the reproductive system. The plastic material of the large doll contains also di-isononyl phthalate (DINP) (measured value: 5.33 % by weight). According to the REACH Regulation the phthalates DEHP, DBP and BBP are prohibited in all toys and childcare articles while the phthalates DINP, DNOP and DIDP are prohibited in toys and childcare articles that can be placed in the mouth by children.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Importer</b> )
A12/0316/17	Spain	<b>Toy xylophone</b>  <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Choking</b> The white screws on the keys can easily be detached. Small children could put these small parts in their mouth and choke on them. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and with the relevant European standard EN 71-1.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Importer</b> )

A12/0318/17	Poland	<b>Toy dinosaur</b>  <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Chemical</b> The plastic material of the toy contains di-(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP) (measured value 45.8% by weight). This phthalate may harm the health of children, causing possible damage to the reproductive system. According to the REACH Regulation the phthalates DEHP, DBP and BBP are prohibited in all toys and childcare articles.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Importer</b> )
A12/0319/17	Poland	<b>Plastic doll</b>  <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Chemical</b> The plastic material of the doll's head contains di-(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP) (measured value 38 % by weight). This phthalate may harm the health of children, causing possible damage to the reproductive system. According to the REACH Regulation the phthalates DEHP, DBP and BBP are prohibited in all toys and childcare articles.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Importer</b> )
A12/0320/17	Poland	<b>Toy gun set</b>  <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Choking</b> The suction cups of the projectiles detach easily. If a child puts the projectile in the mouth, the suction cup may come loose and obstruct the airway. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Importer</b> )
A12/0321/17	Czech Republic	<b>Plastic doll</b>  <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Chemical</b> The plastic material of the doll's head contains di-(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP) (measured value 16.4 % by weight). This phthalate may harm the health of children, causing possible damage to the reproductive system. According to the REACH Regulation the phthalates DEHP, DBP and BBP are prohibited in all toys and childcare articles.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Retailer</b> )
A12/0329/17	The Netherlands	<b>Rattles</b>  <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Choking</b> The handles of the rattles/maracas are too long and thin. If a small child puts the handle of the rattle in the mouth, it could obstruct the airways, posing a risk of choking. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71-1.	Ban on the marketing of the product and any accompanying measures (By: <b>Importer</b> )

A12/0331/17	Lithuania	<b>Toy pushchair</b>  <b>Country of origin:</b> Germany		<b>Injuries</b> Protective plastic caps on the pushchair can be easily removed, allowing children to insert their fingers into the metal tubes. The fingers may get stuck and injuries may occur as the child tries to turn the finger inside the tube. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71-1.	Ban on the marketing of the product and any accompanying measures (By: <b>Distributor</b> )
A12/0332/17	France	<b>Plush hand puppet</b>  <b>Country of origin:</b> China		<b>Choking</b> A small part (the ring of the battery compartment) can easily detach and be put in the mouth by small children, causing them to choke. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71-1.	Recall of the product from end users, Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Distributor</b> )
A11/0050/17	Poland	<b>Doll</b>  <b>Country of origin:</b> China		<b>Choking</b> The fibrous stuffing material of the toy is easily accessible due to the weakness of certain seams. The stuffing material may cause choking if put in the mouth by children. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71-1.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Importer</b> )
A12/0337/17	Poland	<b>Plastic toy figures</b>  <b>Country of origin:</b> China		<b>Choking</b> The small squeaking mechanism can easily come off from the plastic toys. A small child may put it in the mouth and choke on it. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71-1.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Importer</b> )
A12/0338/17	Spain	<b>Crossbow with arrows</b>  <b>Country of origin:</b> China		<b>Choking</b> The suction cups can detach easily. If a child puts the projectile in its mouth, the cup may come loose and obstruct the airways. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European Standard EN 71-1.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Importer</b> )

A12/0339/17	Hungary	<b>Rattle</b>  <b>Country of origin:</b> China		<b>Choking</b> The rattles break easily releasing small parts which small children may put in the mouth and choke on. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71-1.	Recall of the product from end users, Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Distributor</b> )
A12/0342/17	Lithuania	<b>Toy car with sweets</b>  <b>Country of origin:</b> Germany		<b>Choking</b> Small parts can easily detach from the toy car (front wheels, driver's figure, silencers). A small child may put them in the mouth and choke. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71-1.	Ban on the marketing of the product and any accompanying measures (By: <b>Distributor</b> )
A12/0343/17	United Kingdom	<b>LED balloons</b>  <b>Country of origin:</b> Vietnam		<b>Chemical, Choking, Injuries</b> The balloons can easily burst and release small parts: button cell batteries, LED lights and sharp staples which could be swallowed by small children and cause damage to internal organs including the oesophagus and the stomach, or choking. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standards EN 62115	Recall of the product from end users (By: <b>Retailer</b> )
A12/0348/17	Spain	<b>Plastic ball</b>  <b>Country of origin:</b> China		<b>Choking</b> Small parts may detach from the ball: a small child may put these small parts in the mouth, causing choking. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European Standard EN 71-1.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Importer</b> )
A12/0355/17	Lithuania	<b>Toy helicopter with sweets</b>  <b>Country of origin:</b> China		<b>Choking</b> Small parts can easily detach from the toy (wheel, freewheels with metallic axles and their fixing parts). A small child may put them in the mouth and choke. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71-1.	Ban on the marketing of the product and any accompanying measures (By: <b>Importer</b> )
A12/0371/17	Spain	<b>Kitchen play set</b>  <b>Country of origin:</b> China		<b>Choking</b> A part of the toy chopping board may come loose, generating a small part. A small child may put it in the mouth and choke. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71-1.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Importer</b> )

A12/0372/17	Poland	<b>Plastic doll</b>  <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Chemical</b> The plastic material of the doll contains di-(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP) (measured value: 34.3% by weight). This phthalate may harm the health of children, causing possible damage to the reproductive system. According to the REACH Regulation the phthalates DEHP, DBP and BBP are prohibited in all toys and childcare articles.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Importer</b> )
A12/0374/17	Spain	<b>Plush dog with light and sound</b>  <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Choking</b> The dog's nose and eyes come off easily, generating small parts. A small child may inhale or ingest them, causing choking. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European Standard EN 71-1.	Import rejected at border (By: <b>Importer</b> )
A12/0375/17	Poland	<b>Toy police set</b>  <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Choking</b> The suction cups of the projectiles detach easily. If a child puts the projectile in the mouth, the suction cup may come loose and obstruct the airways. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Importer</b> )
A12/0376/17	The Netherlands	<b>Baby doll</b>  <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Choking</b> Small plastic parts can be easily detached from the doll's accessories (top of plastic bottle, part of soother, etc.). A small child could put them in the mouth and choke. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71-1.	Recall of the product from end users (By: <b>Importer</b> )
A12/0379/17	Spain	<b>Plastic doll set</b> <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Chemical</b> The plastic material of the doll contains di-(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP) (measured value: 12% by weight). This phthalate may harm the health of children, causing possible damage to the reproductive system. According to the REACH Regulation the phthalates DEHP, DBP and BBP are prohibited in all toys and childcare articles.	Import rejected at border (By: <b>Importer</b> )

A12/0381/17	Spain	<b>Magnetic toy</b>  <b>Country of origin:</b> China		<b>Injuries</b> The red stick, containing a magnet with a high magnetic flux, detaches easily from the toy. If a child swallows this part and other metal objects, they could attract each other causing intestinal blockage or perforation. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive or the relevant European standard EN 71-1.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Distributor</b> )
A12/0394/17	France	<b>Fishing game</b>  <b>Country of origin:</b> Germany		<b>Choking</b> The toy includes a small part (wooden key) that can be put in the mouth by small children causing them to choke. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71-1.	Recall of the product from end users, Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Distributor</b> )
A12/0395/17	France	<b>Pull-along toy</b>  <b>Country of origin:</b> Unknown		<b>Strangulation</b> The cord can easily be stretched and, as a consequence, becomes too long, which may cause strangulation if it wraps around the child's neck. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71-1.	Recall of the product from end users, Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Distributor</b> )
A12/0398/17	The Netherlands	<b>Wooden toy</b>  <b>Country of origin:</b> China		<b>Choking</b> Small parts (e.g. the two rear wheels) can easily detach from the toy tractor. Small children may put these in the mouth and choke. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71-1.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Distributor</b> )
A12/0399/17	The Netherlands	<b>Rattles</b>  <b>Country of origin:</b> Poland		<b>Choking</b> The handles of the rattles are too long and too thin. If a small child puts the handle of a rattle in his/her mouth, the handle could obstruct the airways, posing a risk of choking. The shell of the maracas can tear and small parts can be released. The released small parts can be swallowed by small children, causing them to choke. The product does not comply with the requirements of the Toy Safety Directive and the relevant European standard EN 71-1.	Withdrawal of the product from the market (By: <b>Retailer</b> )

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The official contact points of the Member and EFTA-EEA States provide the information published in these weekly overviews. Under the terms of Annex II.10 of the General Product Safety Directive ([2001/95/EC](#)) responsibility for the information provided lies with the notifying party. The Commission does not take any responsibility for the accuracy of the information provided.

## Recall summary – US Toys

### CPSC Recall List (March 2017)

Recall No.	Notifying Country	Product	Product Photo	Hazard/ Risk	Remedy
17-104	U.S.	<b>Oball Rattles</b>  <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Choking</b> The clear plastic disc on the outside of the ball can break, releasing small beads, posing a choking hazard to young children.	Consumers should immediately take these recalled rattles away from young children and contact the firm to receive a full refund.
17-119	U.S.	<b>Magnetic tic tac toe games</b>  <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Choking/ Magnet Ingestion Hazard</b> The magnets can come off the tic tac toe game pieces, posing a choking hazard. In addition, when two or more magnets are swallowed, they can link together inside the intestines and clamp onto body tissues, causing intestinal obstructions, perforations, sepsis and death. Internal injury from magnets can pose serious lifelong health effects.	Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled product and return it to any target store for a full refund.
17-120	U.S.	<b>Bricolo</b>  <b>Country of origin: China</b>		<b>Injuries</b> The toy trolleys can tip backwards, posing an impact injury hazard to children.	Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled trolleys and keep them out of the reach of young children until they have installed a repair kit. Contact distributor for a free repair kit

## CPSC

The **United States Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC)** is an independent agency of the United States government. To provide better service in alerting the American people to unsafe, hazardous or defective products, a “one stop shop” for U.S. Government recalls, [www.recalls.gov](http://www.recalls.gov), has been created. Publics can report unsafe products to CPSC by using the platform.

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### **EU Requirements**

- EN 71
- Phthalates (EC) no. 1907/2006
- Nickel Release (EC) no. 1907/2006
- Total Cadmium (EEC) no. 91/338
- Lead in Jewellery product (EC) no. 836/2012
- Azo-dye (EC) no. 1907/2006
- Bisphenol-A (2014/81/EU)
- DMF (Dimethylfumarate) (EU) no. 2011/135
- Flame retardants TCEP, TCPP, TDCP (2014/79/EU)
- Package Waste Directive (94/62/EC)

### **US & Canada Requirements**

- ASTM F963
- CPSIA
- California Proposition 65
- 16 CFR 1501
- ASTM F2923 (Children's jewellery)
- ASTM F2999 (Adult's jewellery)
- US Toxic in Packaging Clearinghouse (TPCH)
- CCPSA - Toys Regulations (SOR/2011-17)

### **Japan Requirements**

- Japan Toy Safety Standard (ST)
- Japan Food Sanitation Law (JFSL)

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