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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE December 20, 2007 Release #08-143 DeWalt's Recall Hotline: (888) 742-9168 CPSC Recall Hotline: (800) 638-2772 CPSC Media Contact: (301) 504-7908

### **DeWALT Recalls Cordless Drills due to Fire Hazard**

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: DEWALT Cordless Drills

Units: About 346,000

Manufacturer: DEWALT Industrial Tool Company, of Towson, Md.

Hazard: The trigger switch of the cordless drill can overheat, posing a fire hazard to consumers.

Incidents/Injuries: DEWALT has received 11 reports of trigger switches overheating. No injuries or property damage have been

reported.

Description: This recall involves DEWALT individual cordless drills listed below:

Model Number	Description	Date Codes
DC920	Heavy-Duty XRP™ 1/2" (13mm) 18 Volt Cordless Drill/Driver	200723 through 200742
DC930	Heavy-Duty XRP™ 1/2" (13mm) 14.4 Volt Cordless Drill/Driver	200625 through 200746
DC935	Heavy-Duty XRP™ 1/2" (13mm) 14.4 Volt Cordless Hammerdrill/Drill/Driver	200627 through 200746
DC936	Heavy-Duty XRP™ 1/2" (13mm) 14.4 Volt Cordless Hammerdrill/Drill/Driver	200635 through 200746
DC940	Heavy-Duty XRP™ 1/2" (13mm) 12 Volt Cordless Drill/Driver	200635 through 200746

The model number is printed on a sticker on the side of the unit. The date code is embossed on the bottom of the unit. Units stamped with an "M" following the date code have been repaired and are not included in this recall. The packaging of repaired drills has a green dot sticker near the UPC label.

Sold at: Wholesale distributors and retailers from about June 2006 through December 2007 for between \$180 and \$280.

Manufactured in: Mexico

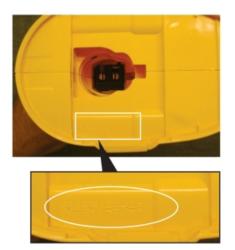
**Remedy:** Consumers should stop using the drills immediately and contact DEWALT for the location of the nearest service center to receive a free inspection and, if necessary, free repair.

Consumer Contact: Call DEWALT toll-free at (888) 742-9168 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday or visit firm's Web site at <a href="https://www.DEWALT.com">www.DEWALT.com</a>

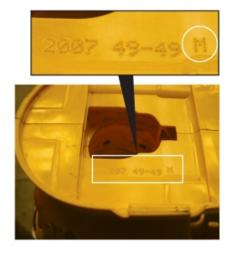
#### Model Number Identification



#### **Date Code Identification**



### Repaired or Not Affected



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To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury, call CPSC's hotline at (800) 638-2772 or CPSC's teletypewriter at (800) 638-8270, or visit CPSC's web site at <a href="https://www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx">www.cpsc.gov/talk.html</a>. To join a CPSC email subscription list, please go to <a href="https://www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx">https://www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx</a>. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's Web site at <a href="https://www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx">www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx</a>. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's Web site at <a href="https://www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx">www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx</a>. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's Web site at <a href="https://www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx">www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx</a>.