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DEWALT Recalls Portable Generators Due to Electric Shock 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 DG2900 Portable Generators

Units: About 13,000

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

Hazard: A ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) installed on the generator could fail to operate properly, posing a risk of electric shock to consumers.

Incidents/Injuries: No incidents or injuries have been reported.

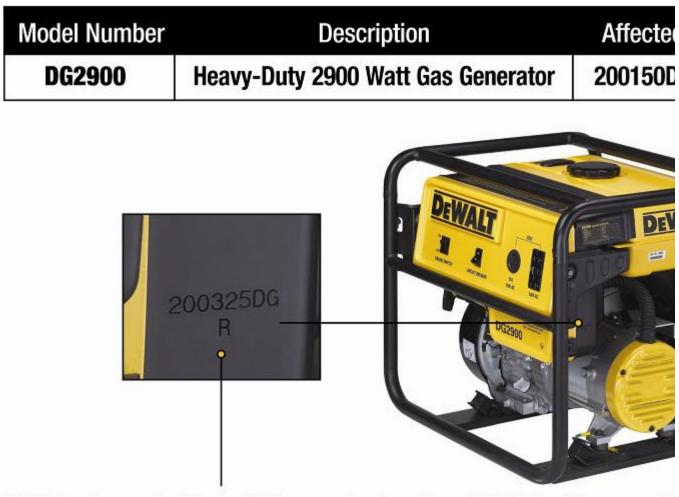
Description: The recall involves DEWALT DG2900 2900 watt gasoline-powered generators with date codes 200150 through 200635. The generators are black and yellow. "DEWALT" and "DG2900" are printed on the generator. The date code is stamped on the right side of the unit on the black plastic covering the rear of the control panel. Units with an "R" stamped on the name plate are not affected by this recall.

Sold by: Major home center and hardware stores nationwide from December 2001 through November 2006 for between \$900 and \$1,000.

Manufactured in: Japan

Remedy: Consumers should stop using the generators immediately and contact DEWALT to arrange for a free inspection and, if necessary, free repair.

Customer Contact: For more information, contact DEWALT toll-free at (888) 742-9108 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's Web site at <u>www.DEWALT.com</u>



* Units stamped with an "R" or product cartons labeled with a round not affected by this recall.

Send the link for this page to a friend! The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission is charged with protecting the public from unreasonable risks of serious injury or death from more than 15,000 types of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. Deaths, injuries and property damage from consumer product incidents cost the nation more than \$700 billion annually. The CPSC is committed to protecting consumers and families from products that pose a fire, electrical, chemical, or mechanical hazard or can injure children. The CPSC's work to ensure the safety of consumer products - such as toys, cribs, power tools, cigarette lighters, and household chemicals - contributed significantly to the 30 percent decline in the rate of deaths and injuries associated with consumer products over the past 30 years.

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 <u>www.cpsc.gov/talk.html</u>. To join a CPSC email subscription list, please go to <u>www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.asp</u>. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's Web site at <u>www.cpsc.gov</u>.