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WMH Tool Group Inc. Recalls Wilton Mitre Saws for Laceration 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: Wilton Mitre Saws

Units: About 38,000

Manufacturer: WMH Tool Group Inc., (WMH), of Elgin, Ill.

Hazard: The aluminum cast pivot joint that connects the base of the saw to the head assembly (which contains the saw blade) can crack under extreme pressure or force, causing the blade assembly to unexpectedly break free from the stationary base. This poses a laceration hazard to consumers.

Incidents/Injuries: WMH is aware of four reports of cracked pivot housings, one of which resulted in the separation of the saw blade from the base. No injuries have been reported relating to this hazard.

Description: The recall involves all Wilton-brand, 10-inch Compound Mitre Saws, including models with the Laser Line feature with model numbers 99164 and 99192. The model number is written on a black label on the motor housing.

Sold at: Home and hardware stores nationwide from January 2002 through October 2006 for between \$100 and \$140.

Manufactured in: China

Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using these saws and return them to the store where purchased for a full refund. No repair is available.

Consumer Contact: For additional information, contact WMH Customer Service toll-free at (877) 328-7200 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. ET any day of the week, or go to the firm's Web site at www.wmhtoolgroup.com



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