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**Message Cover Sheet**

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**RE:** CPSC Recalls Children's Gardening Gloves

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Please see the attached product recall issued by CPSC last month, which just came to our attention. The product, Budding Gardener Complete Gardening Set, was imported by MTD Products Inc, of Valley City, Ohio. Troy-Bilt is an MTD brand.

The gardening gloves are being recalled because the stamp-painted logo on the backside of the gardening gloves contains high levels of lead. The set includes a wheel barrel, sprinkling can, pair of gardening gloves, hand tools and seeds. The gloves are yellow on one side and white with rubber dots on the other side. The gloves have a picture of four children in a field, with "The Budding Gardeners" written in red around the picture.

The gardening sets were sold on the Troy-Bilt Web site, <http://www.troybilt.com>, from February 2006 through January 2007 for about \$50 for the set. They were manufactured in China

Please see the attached recall notice for specific information for consumers and contact information for the company. You may also contact the CT Department of Public Health Lead Poisoning Prevention & Control Program at 860-509-7299.

# Recall Alert

## U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

Office of Information and Public Affairs

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May 16, 2007  
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### Troy-Bilt Recalls Children's Gardening Gloves Due to Lead Poisoning Hazard

The following product safety recall was voluntarily conducted by the firm in cooperation with the CPSC. Consumers should stop using the product immediately unless otherwise instructed.

**Name of Product:** Budding Gardener Complete Gardening Set

**Units:** About 80

**Importer:** MTD Products Inc, of Valley City, Ohio (Troy-Bilt is an MTD brand.)

**Hazard:** The stamp-painted logo on the backside of the gardening gloves contains high levels of lead. Lead is toxic if ingested by young children and can cause adverse health effects.

**Incidents/Injuries:** None reported.

**Description:** The Budding Gardener Complete Gardening Set included a wheel barrel, sprinkling can, pair of gardening gloves, hand tools and seeds. The gloves are yellow on one side and white with rubber dots on the other side. The gloves have a picture of four children in a field, with "The Budding Gardners" written in red around the picture.

**Sold by:** The Troy-Bilt Web site, [www.troybilt.com](http://www.troybilt.com), from February 2006 through January 2007 for about \$50 for the set.

**Manufactured in:** China

**Remedy:** Consumers should take these gloves away from children immediately, and contact the firm to exchange the gloves for a free kids-size gardener's apron. Troy-Bilt is directly contacting consumers who purchased these gloves.

**Consumer Contact:** For additional information, our call Troy-Bilt toll-free at (888) 848-6038 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's Web site at [www.troybilt.com](http://www.troybilt.com)



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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 [www.cpsc.gov/talk.html](http://www.cpsc.gov/talk.html). To join a CPSC email subscription list, please go to [www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.asp](http://www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.asp). Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's Web site at [www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov).