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**Message Cover Sheet**

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**RE:** CPSC Recalls Three (3) Children's Products Today

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Please see the attached product recalls for three products recalled today by CPSC. All three products are being recalled because they contain high levels of lead.

The first recall is for children's rings, distributed by Cardinal Distributing Co. Inc., of Baltimore, Md. These items were recalled for high levels of lead in July 2004. They are manufactured in India.

The second recall is for Anima Bamboo Collection Games, distributed by Target. They are manufactured in China.

The third recall is for Children's Religious Fish Necklaces, imported by Oriental Traders. They are manufactured in China.

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

# NEWS from CPSC

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**Firm's Recall Hotline: (800) 368-2062**

**CPSC Recall Hotline: (800) 638-2772**

**CPSC Media Contact: (301) 504-7908**

### Lead Poisoning Hazard Prompts Cardinal Distributing to Again Recall Children's Rings

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:** Children's Rings with Dice or Horseshoes

**Units:** About 200

**Importer:** Cardinal Distributing Co. Inc., of Baltimore, Md.

**Hazard:** The rings contain high levels of lead. Lead is toxic if ingested by young children and can cause adverse health effects. These rings were subject to the [July 2004](#) recall of 150 million pieces of children's metal jewelry. The firm placed the recalled rings that it had pulled from stores back into circulation.

**Incidents/Injuries:** None reported.

**Description:** The recalled rings are silver with either dice or horseshoes on top. The numbers on some of the dice are painted in various colors, others are not painted. The horseshoes have either pink and green or purple and yellow painted polka dots.

**Sold in:** Vending machines located in malls, discount, department and grocery stores in the Baltimore, Maryland area from August 2004 through March 2007 for about 25 cents.

**Manufactured in:** India

**Remedy:** Consumers should immediately take the recalled rings away from children and throw the rings away.

**Consumer Contact:** For additional information, contact Cardinal Distributing Co. Inc. at (800) 368-2062 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's Web site at

[www.vendingdepot.com](http://www.vendingdepot.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).

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### Target Recalls Anima Bamboo Collection Games Due to Lead Poisoning 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:** Anima – Bamboo Collection Games

**Units:** About 5,000

**Importer:** Target, of Minneapolis, Minn.

**Manufacturer:** HaPe International Ltd., of Ningbo, China

**Hazard:** The toys in the bamboo game sets could contain lead paint, which is toxic if ingested by young children and can cause adverse health effects.

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

**Description:** This recall involves Anima-Bamboo Collection Games. The games contain 38 bamboo pads, four ghosts, and one dice. The product's packaging is an orange box with the words "Anima" and "BAMBOO Collection Games" are printed on each side.

**Sold at:** Target stores nationwide from December 2006 through April 2007 for \$10.

**Manufactured in:** China

**Remedy:** Consumers should immediately take the game away from children and return them to the nearest Target store for full refund, including applicable sales tax.

**Consumer Contact:** For additional information, call Target at (800) 440-0680 between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. CT Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's Web site at [www.target.com](http://www.target.com)



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CPSC Recall Hotline: (800) 638-2772

CPSC Media Contact: (301) 504-7908

### Oriental Trading Company Inc. Recalls Children's Necklaces Due to Lead 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:** Children's Religious Fish Necklaces

**Units:** About 132,000

**Importer:** Oriental Trading Company Inc., of Omaha, Neb.

**Hazard:** The recalled children's necklaces contain high levels of lead. Lead is toxic if ingested by young children and can cause adverse health effects.

**Incidents/Injuries:** None reported.

**Description:** The recalled necklaces have a silver fish pendant that hangs from a black cord.

**Sold Exclusively at:** Oriental Trading Company Inc. Web site and catalog from January 2005 through January 2007 for about 70 cents.

**Manufactured in:** China

**Remedy:** Consumers should immediately take the recalled necklaces away from children and discard it and contact Oriental Trading Company Inc. for information on how to receive a full refund or credit.

**Consumer Contact:** For additional information, contact Oriental Trading Company Inc. at (800) 723-6155 anytime or visit the firm's Web site at [www.orientaltrading.com](http://www.orientaltrading.com)



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