



## **TOYS RECALLED DUE TO LEAD POISONING HAZARD**

The Office of the Attorney General is urging Texas consumers to stop using certain toys after Fisher-Price and the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) issued a recall due to potential lead poisoning hazards. Texans are urged to remove these toys from their homes and contact Fisher-Price to learn more about replacing the recalled products.

According to CPSC, toys and figures bearing the likeness of characters from Sesame Street, Dora the Explorer and other popular children's programs contain surface paints with excessive levels of lead, which could be toxic if ingested. More than 950,000 of the recalled toys were sold nationwide from May 2007 to August 2007. The products were sold both alone and as parts of sets. The toys are all marked with "Fisher-Price" and may have a date code between 109-7LF and 187-7LF marked on the product or packaging. A detailed list of the recalled toys can be found on the Attorney General's Web site at [www.oag.state.tx.us](http://www.oag.state.tx.us).

Consumers who own these recalled toys or figures should immediately remove the products from children and contact Fisher-Price at (800) 916-4498. Consumers who wish to return the recalled product will receive a voucher for a replacement toy of the consumer's choice (up to the value of the returned product).

CPSC tests consumer products on an ongoing basis to ensure they are safe. As it did with the Fisher-Price toys, the CPSC issues warnings whenever products do not meet certain safety standards.

While the majority of consumer products are safe when used properly, consumers are encouraged to regularly check the CPSC Web site ([www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov)) to make sure they do not have items that could pose a danger. Many of the alerts posted by CPSC involve toys, car seats, cribs and other items for children. Parents and friends might be particularly interested in the "Toys" and "Child Products" section of the CPSC Web site, which provides information on recent recalls. The Web site also allows consumers to submit information on a product they believe is hazardous.

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Texans are understandably concerned about their safety, particularly that of their children. Consumers can contact the Office of the Attorney General at (800) 252-8011 or online at [www.oag.state.tx.us](http://www.oag.state.tx.us). Our staff will gladly help consumers find federal, state and local resources that will assist them in gathering critical information about a product's safety record or reporting their concerns. Below is a list of resources from several federal agencies that test and regulate the safety of consumer goods:

### **CONSUMER PRODUCT AND SAFETY COMMISSION (CPSC)**

Information about dangerous and recalled consumer goods and household items, including toys, children's cribs, car seats, smoke detectors, electronics, sporting goods, lawnmowers, gas grills, and many others.

[www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov)

Consumer hotline: (800) 638-2772 (TTY 800-638-8270).

### **FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION (FDA)**

Information about dangerous and recalled foods, cosmetics, pharmaceuticals and other health-related items

[www.fda.gov](http://www.fda.gov)

General information: (888) 463-6332

### **NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION (NHTSA)**

Information about auto safety technology and alerts/recalls on dangerous vehicles and components such as defective tires, etc.

[www.nhtsa.gov](http://www.nhtsa.gov)

General information: (888) 327-4236

### **U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

Information on food contents and nutritional value, including an online search tool for the profiles of 13,000 common foods

[www.usda.gov](http://www.usda.gov)

### **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA)**

Information about toxic products, such as asbestos, pesticides, and pollution

[www.epa.gov](http://www.epa.gov)

General information for Texans: (214) 665-6444

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