



LOW RETURN RATE AND ADDITIONAL REPORTS OF FIRES PROMPT RE-ANNOUNCEMENT OF COBY ELECTRONICS PORTABLE DVD/CD/MP3 PLAYER RECALLS

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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 products. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed.

Name of Product: Rechargeable Batteries sold with Portable DVD/CD/MP3 Players

Units: About 32,600; 13,000 previously recalled in October 2008 and 19,600 in October 2009

Importer: Coby Electronics Corp., of Lake Success, N.Y.

Hazard: The rechargeable batteries can overheat, posing a fire hazard to consumers.

Incidents/Injuries: Coby Electronics has received 22 reports of the battery overheating. Eighteen additional incidents of the battery overheating in the TF-DVD 1020 model, 17 of which resulted in property damage ranging from minor up to \$9,650. No additional incidents have been reported for the TF-DVD 8501 model.

Description: The recall involves Coby DVD/CD/MP3 players with product numbers TF-DVD 1020 and TF-DVD 8501. "Coby" is printed on the front cover and the product number is on the bottom of the unit. The serial numbers on the recalled rechargeable batteries are printed on a label on the following batteries:

Product Number TF-DVD 1020: Swivel screen

Serial Numbers:

DG240043D503000001-1006

DG240006D503000001-400

DG240039D603000001-3000

DG240111D603000001-2000

DG240143D602000001-3000

DG240106D602000001-2000

DG240106D702000001-2000

DG240183D942000001-100

DG240071DB02000001-1400

DG240115D702000001-2500

Product Number TF-DVD 8501: 8½ inch screen

Serial Numbers begin with "HY"

Sold at: Discount, electronics, music, toy, office supply stores and distributors of electronic products nationwide. The TF-DVD 1020 units were sold from May 2007 through July 2008 for about \$168. The TF-DVD 8501 units were sold from January 2007 through September 2009 for between \$140 and \$275.

Manufactured in: China

Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using the players with the recalled batteries and contact the firm to arrange for a free replacement battery. After removing the recalled batteries from the unit, consumers can continue to use it with the AC or DC power adapter.

To see this recall on CPSC's web site, including pictures of the recalled products, and details of the manufacturer please go to:

<http://www.cpsc.gov/cpsc/pub/prerel/prhtml10/10205.html>



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