

Christmas Products Safety Survey 2013

This year's products safety survey saw NSW Fair Trading inspect 788 premises across NSW and examine 24,809 products. This includes 1,103 products designed for children under 36 months of age. The following 52 dangerous toys and 11 other general products were removed from store shelves in the lead-up to Christmas 2013.

Fair Trading investigators found the dangerous items on sale across the State during their annual Christmas products safety survey in October. All the unsafe toys detected during the Christmas products survey 2013 have been removed from sale.

The 52 toys that failed are listed below.

Children's toys (39)

Consumer Protection Notice 14 of 2003 Consumer Product Safety Standard Toys for Children up to and including 36 months of age

Toys for children under 36 months must comply with AS/NZS ISO 8124.1:2002 Safety of Toys Part 1: Safety aspects related to mechanical and physical properties. The standard restricts the supply of toys manufactured, designed, labelled or marketed for a child of an age less than 36 months which have dangerous small parts which represent an inhalation and ingestion hazard.

The following toys were detected being supplied in contravention of this standard:

- Baby gift sets and rattle toys (8)
- Squeaky toys (5)
- Plastic toys (5)
- Battery operated (15)
- Musical toys (2)
- Wooden toys (4)

Projectile toys (13)

Consumer Protection Notice No.16 of 2010 Consumer Product Safety Standard for Children's Projectile Toys for children up to and including fourteen years of age

Toys that are capable of firing any projectile must comply with AS/NZS ISO 8124.1:2002 Safety of Toys Part 1: Safety aspects related to mechanical and physical properties. The standard requires projectile toys to pass a kinetic energy test, have a protective tip on the projectiles that does not become detached, and to ensure that projectiles do not pose choking or inhalation hazards. In addition, the Standard restricts the supply of projectile toys that are capable of discharging any improvised projectiles such as nails or coins.

The 11 general products that were removed from store shelves are listed below.

Aquatic toys (7)

Consumer Protection Notice No. 2 of 2009 Consumer Product Safety Standard for Flotation Toys and Aquatic Toys

Children's flotation toys and aquatic toys must comply with certain provisions of AS/NZS ISO 8124.1:2002 Safety of toys Part 1: Safety aspects related to mechanical and physical properties with variations. The Australian Standard specifies requirements for design, construction, performance and warning labels for swimming and flotation aids for children under 14 years of age to minimise the risk of drowning.

Toy-like Novelty cigarette lighters (1)

Consumer Protection Notice 18 of 2011: Permanent Ban on Toy-like Novelty Cigarette Lighters

Toy-like novelty cigarette lighters are designed to produce a flame that sets cigarettes or other combustible materials alight. There is a risk of serious burns to children who may think these lighters are toys and accidentally can cause a fire while playing with them.

Toys containing magnets (2)

Consumer Protection Notice No. 5 of 2010 - Consumer Product Safety Standard: Children's Toys Containing Magnets

Children can become seriously ill and die if they swallow a number of small strong or hazardous magnets. If more than one of these magnets is swallowed, they become locked together through the walls of the intestines causing perforations, infections and blockages. The mandatory standard covers warning labels required for packaging, and instructions to prevent serious illness that can result if children swallow hazardous magnets.

Baby Walkers (1)

Consumer Protection Notice No. 1 of 2013, Safety Standard: Baby Walkers

Baby walkers are intended for children who have not yet learned to walk. Infants can suffer head injuries and other serious injuries such as fractures if the baby walker they're in tips over or falls down stairs. The mandatory standard covers design, construction, performance and labelling requirements for baby walkers.

Children's rattle toys



Baby concert funny toys – number GY03679



Baby's starts fun rattle sounds – number 1382



Bee rattle

Barcode 6911866030572



Cow rattle

Barcode 6911866030572



Frog rattle

Barcode 6911866030572



Wooden red lady bug rattle with bells

Children's rattle toys



Yellow lady bug rattle



Blue and pink rattle

Children's squeaky toys



5-piece squeaky ducks – Item No. TY10057



Mother duck and 3 baby squeaky ducks



Set of 3 cats squeaky toys Ha Ha Xiong toys



Children's toy 5-piece sea characters squeaky toys



Blue spikey squeaky ball

Children's battery operated toys



Powerful train – number 1002



Gusto choochoo easy comedy mini train barcode 9631510120240



Happy train little train and friends - barcode 6921866011792



Yellow push dinosaur



Dancing cars number D00188A

Children's battery operated toys



Angry birds blue drummer number 2369-16



The happy train cool train – item number HD0276, barcode 3456789002761



Pink fairy wand musical item number AF135



Learner study system, number 2278A



Gusto choo choo easy comedy the mini train barcode 692118366011785

Children's battery operated toys



Fun car music & lights number A330Xie Yu



Happy train little train and friends – number 3312B-1, barcode 6921866011792



Happy Train the latest train in fashion - item number



Copter special toy collections bump and go number KO11792 number 128



Jumbo talking airplane number 1111

Children's wooden toys



Wooden puzzle animals – item number PM228



Ninja turtle grey/orange wooden



Orange wooden helicopter



Red black lady beetle wooden pin set

Children's plastic toys



Blue/yellow tip truck



Sand beach truck - number 41



Yellow and blue cat barcode 6931027230665



Dream household appliances iron – number X801



Caterpillar wind-up toy – item number SY131WCT

Children's musical toys



Musical plane number 3013, barcode 6953051230053



Frog piano, number 3499B

Children's projectile toys



Shaun the sheep No 1925/1927



Spiderman bow and arrow No. 1925/1927



Super racing cars Quanye Toys No.1925/1927



Arrow rifle – Jin Huan NO. 384A

Children's projectile toys



Toxophily series super archery No. 970 item number 04353



The last weapon suit



Sword weapon series No. 8820-1-2-3-4



Super archery Toxophily series – No 970

Children's projectile toys



Spiderman bow & arrow – Item No. 506A



Gun rifle shooting proficient – item number 3320



Super archery toxophily series barcode9338195883834



Spider man No. 506A



Bow and arrow gun – item number 207

Aquatic toys



Ben 10 arm bands



Buzz Woody arm bands



Star snorkler arm bands



Penguin arm bands



Sea characters arm bands



Simpson arm bands



Sea characters swim ring

Toy-like Novelty cigarette lighters



Penguin novelty lighter – banned product

Toys containing magnets



Minnie Mouse magnetice turntable darts toy



Pluto magnetic turntable darts toy

Baby Walkers



Baby walker