

PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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Recall of Lil Anglers Children's Fishing Rods Sold with Kid Casters No Tangle Combos

DATE:	04/27/2023
TO:	Health Alert Network
FROM:	Debra L. Bogen, MD, FAAP, Acting Secretary of Health
SUBJECT:	Recall of Lil Anglers Children's Fishing Rods Sold with Kid Casters No Tangle Combos
DISTRIBUTION:	Statewide
LOCATION:	Statewide
STREET ADDRESS:	n/a
COUNTY:	n/a
MUNICIPALITY:	n/a
ZIP CODE:	n/a

This transmission is a “Health Advisory,” and provides important information for a specific incident or situation; may not require immediate action.

HOSPITALS: PLEASE SHARE WITH ALL MEDICAL, PEDIATRIC, INFECTION CONTROL, NURSING AND LABORATORY STAFF IN YOUR HOSPITAL EMS COUNCILS: PLEASE DISTRIBUTE AS APPROPRIATE; FQHCs: PLEASE DISTRIBUTE AS APPROPRIATE; LOCAL HEALTH JURISDICTIONS: PLEASE DISTRIBUTE AS APPROPRIATE; PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS: PLEASE DISTRIBUTE TO YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Summary

- Lil Anglers Children's Fishing Rods sold with Kid Casters No Tangle Combos have been recalled because they contain levels of lead that exceed the federal lead content ban, posing a lead poisoning hazard to children.
- The fishing rods were sold in a variety of colors, including blue, green, orange, red, and pink. They were manufactured between 2021 and March 2023 and were sold at various retailers and online at Amazon and Lil Anglers. The recall affects approximately 78,500 sold in the U.S.
- More information about this recall, including specific items being recalled is available on the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) [CPSC's website](#) and [LIL ANGLERS, LLC SAFETY RECALL 2023](#).
- The model numbers and date codes can be found on the fishing rod.
- Encourage parents to immediately take the recalled products away from children, stop using them and contact Lil Anglers for a full refund or free replacement fishing rod. The company can be reached toll-free at 844-347-4543 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. CT Monday through Friday, by email at info@anything-possible.com or online at <https://www.kidcastersrecall.com>, or [Kidcasters \(proficiency.com\)](#) and click on “Recall Information” for more information.
- Consider testing children for lead exposure from these and other sources.
- All blood lead test results on children under 16 years of age must be reported to DOH through Pennsylvania’s electronic disease surveillance system, PA-NEDSS.
- For more information on childhood lead exposure in Pennsylvania, visit [Lead \(pa.gov\)](#), or contact DOH at 1-877-PA-HEALTH if you have any questions.

Background

Lead exposure can have serious health consequences for children and pregnant people. Lead is ubiquitous in the environment, and unfortunately, we cannot see, taste or smell lead. Lead is much more harmful during childhood and pregnancy because it can affect children's developing nervous system and brains.

On April 20th, 2023, Lil Anglers, LLC voluntarily initiated a safety recall of select children's fishing rods in cooperation with the U.S. CPSC and Health Canada. These products are being recalled because they contain levels of lead that exceed the federal lead content ban, posing a lead poisoning hazard to children.

The products affected by this safety recall were manufactured between 2021 and March 2023 and were sold at various retailers and online at Amazon and Lil Anglers. The recall affects approximately 80,708 units, including units sold in the United States and Canada.

The fishing rods were sold in a variety of colors, including blue, green, orange, red, and pink. The ceramic guide at the tip of the fishing rods contains lead.

The model numbers and date codes can be found on the fishing rod.

Model Number	Lot Code
KCBAGBLUE	21-01
KCBAGGREEN	20-01, 21-01, 22-01
KCBAGORANGE	20-01, 21-01
KCBAGPINK	20-01, 21-01, 22-01
KCSNTRED	20-01, 21-01
KCBSNTWB34	21-01
KCGSNTWB34	21-01



Model and date code location



Recommendations associated with this recall

- Review recall information including pictures of the specific item being recalled. This information is available on the [CPSC's website](#) and <https://www.kidcastersrecall.com>.
- Providers should raise awareness about the recalled products among parents and recommend testing, as appropriate.
- Encourage parents to immediately take the recalled products away from children, stop using them and contact Lil Anglers to arrange for a replacement or refund. For additional information regarding the recall, customers can contact the Lil Anglers Recall Support team by calling (844) 347-4543, by sending an email to info@anything-possible.com, or online at <https://www.kidcastersrecall.com>, or [Kidcasters \(proficiency.com\)](#) and click on "Recall Information" for more information.
- Consider blood lead testing for children if they are exposed to these and other lead sources.
- Laboratories and healthcare providers are required to report all blood lead test results, regardless of the lead level, for persons under 16 years of age to DOH through Pennsylvania's electronic disease surveillance system, PA-NEDSS.

Additional resources on childhood lead exposure

- [Lead Poisoning \(pa.gov\)](#)
 - [Elevated Blood Lead Level Resources \(pa.gov\)](#)
 - [Lead Poisoning FAQ \(pa.gov\)](#)
- [Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program | CDC](#)
- PA DOH lead information 1-800-440-LEAD

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This information is current as of April 27, 2023 but may be modified in the future.