

**PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
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Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) Lead Recall: Creativity Street Children's Assorted Craft Buttons

DATE:	11/8/2023
TO:	Health Alert Network
FROM:	Debra L. Bogen, MD, FAAP, Acting Secretary of Health
SUBJECT:	Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) Lead Recall: Creativity Street Children's Assorted Craft Buttons
DISTRIBUTION:	Statewide
LOCATION:	Statewide
STREET ADDRESS:	n/a
COUNTY:	n/a
MUNICIPALITY:	n/a
ZIP CODE:	n/a

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Summary

- Creativity Street Children’s Assorted Craft Buttons are being recalled for containing levels of lead that exceed the federal lead content ban.
- This recall is for Lot Code 02129171221.
- The buttons were sold at Blick Art Materials and Staples stores nationwide and online at www.dickblick.com, www.staples.com, www.quill.com, www.schoolspecialty.com, www.sprichards.com, and www.aquaphoenixsci.com from May 2022 through July 2023 for about \$13.
- Consumers should stop using the recalled buttons immediately and contact Dixon Ticonderoga to receive a pre-paid label to return the recalled buttons.
- Contact Dixon Ticonderoga at 1-800-333-2545 from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. CST Monday through Friday or email at compliance@dixonusa.com for a refund.
- Consider testing children for lead exposure from these and other sources.
- Please visit the [Consumer Product Safety Commission's website](#) and [Dixon Ticonderoga](#) to view the lead recall and share it with your networks.
- 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, especially for children and pregnant women. Lead is ubiquitous in the environment, and unfortunately, we cannot see, taste or smell lead. Lead is much more harmful to children and pregnant women because it can affect a child's developing nervous system and brain.

On November 2, 2023, Dixon Ticonderoga voluntarily initiated a safety recall of Creativity Street Assorted Craft Buttons. 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 sold at Blick Art Materials and Staples stores nationwide and online at www.dickblick.com, www.staples.com, www.quill.com, www.schoolspecialty.com, www.sprichards.com and www.aquaphoenixsci.com from May 2022 through July 2023 for about \$13. The affected Lot Code is 02129171221.

The buttons were sold in a one-pound clear plastic bag. There is a cardboard label on the bag that is yellow, orange and blue with the words "Creativity Street" and "Assorted Craft Buttons", "PAC6121", "MADE IN CHINA" and lot code "02129171221" are printed on the back.

Consumers should stop using the recalled buttons immediately and contact Dixon Ticonderoga to receive a pre-paid label to return the recalled buttons. When the buttons are received, consumers will receive a full refund.



On the individual packages:



On the carton:



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 [Dixon Ticonderoga](#).
- Providers should raise awareness about the recalled products among parents.
- Encourage parents to immediately stop using the recalled products and contact Dixon Ticonderoga for a full refund. The company can be reached toll-free at 800-333-2545 from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. CT Monday through Friday, by email at compliance@dixonusa.com or online at [Dixon Ticonderoga recall](#) or [Dixon Ticonderoga](#) and click on "Recall Information" for more information.
- Consider blood lead testing for children or those who are pregnant or lactating if they are exposed to these and other lead sources.
- Laboratories and health care 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

For questions, please call your local health department or DOH at 1-877-PA-HEALTH (877-724-3258).

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This information is current as of November 8, 2023 but may be modified in the future.