

#### PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH 2024– PAHAN – 748 – 05-03-ADV Dixon Ticonderoga Recalls Creativity Street Foam Pattern Rollers Due to Violation of Federal Lead Content Ban

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SUBJECT:	Dixon Ticonderoga Recalls Creativity Street Foam Pattern Rollers Due to Violation of Federal Lead Content Ban
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COUNTY:	n/a
MUNICIPALITY:	n/a
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#### <u>Summary</u>

- On May 2, 2024, Creativity Street Foam Pattern Rollers (model PAC5170), intended for children to use when painting, were recalled because they contain levels of lead that exceed the federal lead content ban in the rollers' handles.
- Lot codes "02142080423" and "02142230523" are included in the recall and are printed on the back of the packaging. The foam pattern rollers come in four assorted patterns, with yellow, green, blue, and red handles.
- They were sold online by several retailers from September 2023 through January 2024 for about \$15.
- Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled foam pattern rollers and take them away from children.
- Lead is toxic and can cause adverse health effects in children. Consider testing children for lead exposure from these and other sources.
- Please visit the <u>Consumer Product Safety Commission's website</u> and <u>Dixon Ticonderoga</u> to view the lead recall and share it with your networks.
- For more information on childhood lead exposure in Pennsylvania, visit <u>Lead (pa.gov)</u>, 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 persons. Lead is ubiquitous in the environment, and unfortunately, we cannot see, taste, or smell it. Lead is much more harmful to children and during pregnancy because it can affect a child's developing nervous system and brain.

On May 2, 2024, Creativity Street Foam Pattern Rollers were recalled because the rollers' handles contain high levels of lead.

This recall involves Creativity Street Foam Pattern Rollers with model PAC5170, which are intended for children to use when painting. Lot codes "02142080423" and "02142230523" are included in the recall and are printed on the back of the packaging. The foam pattern rollers come in four assorted patterns, with yellow, green, blue, and red handles.

Approximately 2,880 sets were sold online at Amazon.com, StaplesAdvantage.com, MacPhersonsArt.com, ADASales.com and Walmart.com, and at the Teacher's Edition store in Brooklyn, New York from September 2023 through January 2024 for about \$15.

Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled foam pattern rollers and take them away from children. Contact Dixon Ticonderoga to receive a pre-paid label to return the recalled product. When the foam pattern rollers are received, consumers will receive a full refund. All known purchasers are being contacted directly by the firm or retailer.

Consumers can contact Dixon Ticonderoga at 800-333-2545 from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. CT Monday through Friday, email at compliance@dixonusa.com, or online at <u>Dixon</u> <u>Ticonderoga</u>.



### Recommendations associated with this recall

- Review recall information, including pictures of the specific item being recalled. This information is available on the <u>CPSC's website</u>.
- Providers should raise awareness about the recalled products among parents.
- Encourage parents to immediately stop using the recalled products and return it to the place of purchase for a full refund.
- 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.
- Children enrolled in Medicaid are required to get tested for lead at ages 12 and 24 months or age 24–72 months if they have no record of ever being tested. All children Page 2 of 3 – Advisory # 748

should be tested if they are at risk for lead exposure, which includes children who live or spend time in a house or building built before 1978, are from low-income households, are immigrants, refugees, or recently adopted from less developed countries, or live or spend time with someone who works with lead or has hobbies that expose them to lead.

#### Additional resources on childhood lead exposure

- Lead Poisoning (pa.gov)
  - o Elevated Blood Lead Level Resources (pa.gov)
  - Lead Poisoning FAQ (pa.gov)
- <u>Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program | CDC</u>
- 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).

Individuals interested in receiving future PA-HANs can register at <u>https://ondemand.mir3.com/han-pa-gov/login/</u>.

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This information is current as of May 3, 2024, but may be modified in the future.