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CPSC, Shindaiwa Inc. Announce Recall of Hedge Trimmers

WASHINGTON, D.C. The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission announces the following recall in voluntary cooperation with the firm below. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed. It is illegal to resell or attempt to resell a recalled consumer product.

Name of product: Professional Hedge Trimmers

Units: 59,200

Manufacturer: Shindaiwa Inc., of Lake Zurich, IL.

Hazard: The fuel cap on the hedge trimmer can leak, posing a fire and burn hazard.

Incidents/Injuries: None.

Description: The hedge trimmers have red engine covers, a red fuel cap and a label on the recoil starter that reads "Professional Shindaiwa." The recall includes all model DH 230/231 and HT 230/231 with serial numbers up to 3080000. The serial numbers are printed on a nameplate on the engine cover.

Sold at: Shindaiwa dealers nationwide from August 1997 to August 2003 for between \$370 and \$450 depending on the model.

Manufactured in: Japan.

Remedy: Consumers should stop using the hedge trimmer and return the red fuel cap to the dealer for a replacement cap.

Consumer Contact: Contact Shindaiwa toll-free at (877) 986-7783 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. CST Monday through Friday.





CPSC is still interested in receiving incident or injury reports that are either directly related to this product recall or involve a different hazard with the same product. Please tell us about it by visiting <https://www.cpsc.gov/cgibin/incident.aspx>

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission is charged with protecting the public from unreasonable risks of serious injury or death from thousands of types of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. The CPSC is committed to protecting consumers and families from products that pose a fire, electrical, chemical, or mechanical hazard. The CPSC's work to ensure the safety of consumer products - such as toys, cribs, power tools, cigarette lighters, and household chemicals - contributed significantly to the decline in the rate of deaths and injuries associated with consumer products over the past 30 years.

To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury, call CPSC's Hotline at (800) 638-2772 or CPSC's teletypewriter at (301) 595-7054. To join a CPSC e-mail subscription list, please go to <https://www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx>. Consumers can obtain recall and general safety information by logging on to CPSC's Web site at www.cpsc.gov.