



U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission – Fast Track Recall with Health Canada

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Confer Plastics Recalls Pool Step Systems Due to Entrapment and Drowning Hazard

Recall Summary

Name of Product: Curve in-pool step systems

Hazard: Children’s limbs can become entrapped in the side openings of the step systems, posing a drowning hazard.

Remedy: Repair

Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled pool step systems and contact Confer Plastics for a free repair kit. The repair kit will include additional panels to prevent entrapment and installation instructions.

Consumer Contact: Confer Plastics at 800-635-3213 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday or online at www.conferplastics.com and click on “Curve Recall” for more information.

Recall Details

Units: About 100,000 (In addition, 2,100 were sold in Canada.)

Description: This recall involves three models of in-pool step systems with curved steps for in-ground and aboveground pools. The steps and handrails are made of gray and beige plastic. The manufacturing/date code is located on the side walls of each step.

Model	Product Description	Manufacturing/Date Code Range
#CCX-AG	Confer Curve base (staircase) 4-step for aboveground pool	All 2013-2018
#CCX-IG	Confer Curve base (staircase) 3-step for in-ground pool	All 2013-2018
#CCX-ADD	Curve add-on unit for either in-ground or aboveground stairs	All 2013-2018

Incidents/Injuries: Confer Plastics has received two reports of children's arms becoming entrapped in the side panel openings of the step systems, including reports of minor abrasions. No drownings have been reported.

Sold at: Champion Pool Distributors, Cinderella, EMSCO Distributors, Leisure Living, Leslie's, Superior Pool Products, Water Warehouse stores and other stores nationwide and online at www.conferplastics.com from January 2013 through July 2018 for between \$200 and \$400.

Manufacturer: Confer Plastics, of North Tonawada, N.Y.

Manufactured in: U.S.

In Conjunction With: Canada

Health Canada's link is available at:

Photos



Photo 1: Recalled Confer Plastics pool step system (model CCX-AG)



Photo 2: Recalled Confer Plastics pool step system (model CCX-ADD)



Photo 3: Recalled Confer Plastics pool step system (model CCX-IG)



Photo 4: The two numbers in the middle next to the arrow represent the year of the manufacturing/date code. (Years 2013-2018 are recalled.)



This recall was conducted voluntarily by the company under CPSC’s Fast Track Recall process. Fast Track recalls are initiated by firms who commit to work with CPSC to quickly announce the recall and remedy to protect consumers.

About U.S. CPSC:

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission is charged with protecting the public from unreasonable risks of injury or death associated with the use of thousands of types of consumer products under the agency’s jurisdiction. Deaths, injuries, and property damage from consumer product incidents cost the nation more than \$1 trillion annually. CPSC is committed to protecting consumers and families from products that pose a fire, electrical, chemical or mechanical hazard. CPSC’s work to ensure the safety of consumer products - such as toys, cribs, power tools, cigarette lighters and household chemicals – contributed to a decline in the rate of deaths and injuries associated with consumer products over the past 40 years.

Federal law bars any person from selling products subject to a publicly-announced voluntary recall by a manufacturer or a mandatory recall ordered by the Commission.

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CPSC Consumer Information Hotline

Contact us at this toll-free number if you have questions about a recall:

800-638-2772 (TTY 301-595-7054)

Times: 8 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. ET; Messages can be left anytime

Call to get product safety and other agency information and to report unsafe products.

Media Contact

Please use the phone numbers below for all media requests.

Phone: 301-504-7908

Spanish: 301-504-7800