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# **Kidde Recalls Disposable Plastic Fire Extinguishers Due to Failure to Discharge**

http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2015/Kidde-Recalls-Disposable-Plastic-Fire-Extinguishers/

## **Recall Summary**

Name of Product: Kidde plastic valve disposable fire extinguishers

**Hazard:** A faulty valve component can cause the disposable fire extinguishers not to fully discharge when the lever is repeatedly pressed and released during a fire emergency, posing a risk of injury.

Remedy: Replace

Consumers should immediately contact Kidde for a replacement fire extinguisher.

**Consumer Contact:** Kidde toll-free at (855) 283-7991 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or online at <a href="www.kidde.com">www.kidde.com</a> and click on Safety Notice for more information.

### **Recall Details**

Units: About 4.6 million units in the U.S. and 175,000 in Canada

**Description:** This recall involves 31 models of Kidde disposable fire extinguishers with Zytel<sup>®</sup> black plastic valves. The recalled extinguishers are red, white or silver and are either ABC or BC rated. The ratings can be found to the right of the nameplate. Manufacture dates included in the recall are July 23, 2013 through October 15, 2014. A 10-digit date code is stamped on the side of the cylinder, near the bottom. Digits five through nine represent the day and year of manufacture in DDDYY format. Date codes for recalled units manufactured in 2013 are XXXX 20413 X through XXXX 36513 X and 2014 are XXXX 00114 X through XXXX 28814 X. A nameplate affixed to the front of the fire extinguisher has one of the following model numbers:

| 10BC     |
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| 1A 10BC  |
| 1A 10BCW |
| 2A10BC   |
| 5BC      |
| 5BCW     |
| FA10G    |
| FA110    |
| FA5B     |
| FC10     |

| FC110       |
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| FC5         |
| FH/ RESSP   |
| FX10        |
| FX10BC      |
| FX10K       |
| FX210       |
| FX210R      |
| FX210W      |
| FX340GW     |
| FX340SC     |
| FX5II       |
| KFH Twin    |
| M110 Twin   |
| M5 Twin     |
| Mariner 10  |
| Mariner 110 |
| Mariner 5   |
| Mariner 5 G |
| RESSP       |
| XL 5MR      |
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**Incidents/Injuries:** Kidde has received 11 reports of the recalled fire extinguishers failing to discharge as expected. No injuries have been reported.

**Sold at**: Home Depot, Menards, Walmart and other department, home and hardware stores nationwide, and online from August 2013 through November 2014 for between \$18 and \$65, and about \$200 for model XL 5MR.

Importer: Walter Kidde Portable Equipment Company Inc., of Mebane, North Carolina

Manufactured in: Mexico

# **Photos**





Kidde Disposable Fire Extinguisher with plastic valve

#### **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.

To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury go online to <a href="www.SaferProducts.gov">www.SaferProducts.gov</a> or call CPSC's Hotline at (800) 638-2772 or teletypewriter at (301) 595-7054 for the hearing impaired. Consumers can obtain news release and recall information at <a href="www.cpsc.gov">www.cpsc.gov</a>, on Twitter <a href="@USCPSC">@USCPSC</a> or by subscribing to CPSC's <a href="free e-mail newsletters">free e-mail newsletters</a>.

## **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.

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