

## **NEWS from CPSC**



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## Peg Perego Recalls Strollers Due to Risk of Entrapment and Strangulation; One Child Death Reported

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), in cooperation with Peg Perego USA Inc., of Fort Wayne, Ind., is announcing a voluntary recall of about 223,000 strollers due to a risk of entrapment and strangulation.

A 6-month-old baby boy from Tarzana, Calif. died of strangulation after his head was trapped between the seat and the tray of his Peg Perego stroller in 2004. Another baby, a 7-month-old girl from New York, N.Y., nearly strangled when her head became trapped between the seat and the tray of her stroller in 2006.

Entrapment and strangulation can occur, especially to infants younger than 12 months of age, when a child is not harnessed. An infant can pass through the opening between the stroller tray and seat bottom, but his/her head and neck can become entrapped by the tray. Infants who become entrapped at the neck are at risk of strangulation.

The recall involves two different older versions of the Peg Perego strollers, Venezia and Pliko-P3, manufactured between January 2004 and September 2007, in a variety of colors. They were manufactured prior to the existence of the January 2008 voluntary industry standard which addresses the height of the opening between the stroller's tray and the seat bottom. The voluntary standard requires larger stroller openings that prevent infant entrapment and strangulation hazards.

Only strollers that have a child tray with one cup holder are part of this recall. Strollers with a bumper bar in front of the child or a tray with two cup holders are not included in this recall.

The following Venezia and Pliko-P3 stroller model numbers that begin with the following numbers are included in this recall. The model number is printed on a white label on the back of the Pliko P-3's stroller seat and on the Venezia stroller's footboard.

Pliko-P3 Stroller Model Numbers		Venezia Stroller Model Numbers
IPFR28US34xxxxxxxx	IPPF28NA32	IPVA13MU09
IPFT28NA63	IPPF28NA57	IPVA13MU10
IPFT28NA64	IPPF28NA65	IPVA13US09
IPP328MU10	IPPF28NA66	IPVA13US10
IPP328MU09	IPPF28NA67	IPVA13US32
IPP328US09	IPPF28NA68	IPVA13US34
IPP328US10	IPPO28US32	IPVC13NA32
IPP329US10	IPPO28US34	IPVC13NA34
IPPA28US32	IPPO28US62	
IPPA28US33	IPPO28US69	
IPPA28US34	IPPO28US70	
IPPD28NA34	IPPO28US71	

<sup>&</sup>quot;Peg Perego" and "Venezia" or "Pliko-P3" are printed on the side of the strollers.

The strollers were sold at various retailers nationwide, including Babies R Us and Buy Buy Baby from January 2004 through September 2010 for between \$270 and \$330 for the Pliko P-3 stroller and between \$350 and \$450 for the Venezia stroller. They were manufactured in Italy.

Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled strollers and contact the firm for a free repair kit. Do not return the stroller to the retailers as they will not be able to provide the repair kit.

For additional information, call Peg Perego at (888) 734-6020 anytime or visit the firm's website at www.PegPeregoUSA.com

CPSC and Peg Perego warn consumers that these strollers may be available on the secondhand market, in thrift stores or at yard sales. Consumers should not buy or sell these recalled strollers until the repair kit is installed.

**NOTE:** When using a stroller, parents and caregivers are encouraged to always secure children by using the safety harness and never leave them unattended. To learn more about the importance of stroller safety, see CPSC's safety alert: <a href="https://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/pubs/5096.pdf">www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/pubs/5096.pdf</a>

## Strollers with one cup holder in the child tray (photos below) are included in this recall.



**Pliko-P3 Strollers** 



**Venezia Strollers** 

Pliko strollers with a front bumper or a child tray with two (2) cup holders (photos below) are not included in this recall.



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The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (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 your experience with the product on <u>SaferProducts.gov</u>

CPSC is charged with protecting the public from unreasonable risks of injury or death associated with the use of the thousands of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. Deaths, injuries, and property damage from consumer product incidents cost the nation more than \$900 billion 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 30 years.

Under federal law, it is illegal to attempt to sell or resell this or any other recalled product.

To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury, go online to: <u>SaferProducts.gov</u>, call CPSC's Hotline at (800) 638-2772 or teletypewriter at (301) 595-7054 for the hearing and speech impaired. Consumers can obtain this news release and product safety information at <u>www.cpsc.gov</u>. To join a free e-mail subscription list, please go to <u>www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx</u>.

