Q. Which of the following is a fire hazard to children?

A. All of the above.

We all know that hot stoves, overloaded outlets, and playing with matches or cigarette lighters can cause a risk of fires and burns to children. Did you also know that some of the children's products and toys you have at home or childcare can also put your child at risk for fire and burns? A look at product recalls over the past ten years shows that 42 products, **over 16 million units**, had to be recalled because of fire, burn or electric shock risks. An average recall retrieves less than 30% of the items — check your home for these dangerous products.

Facts:

- Children's products recalled for fire, burn or electric shock hazards include toys, clothing, nursery products and furniture.
- Sixty-five burn injuries were reported from these recalled products. One fatality was reported in a fire started by a Gerry Baby Products Deluxe Baby Monitor, Model 602.
- Even though the federal government has required children's sleepwear to be flame-resistant for years, thirty-six percent of recalled products surveyed violated the federal *Flammable Fabrics Act.*

Protect your children from the risk of fire and burns from products:

- Do an inventory of the children's products used in your home and childcare facility to make sure your child does not use a potentially hazardous product. For products recalled for fire, burn and electric shock hazards, consult the list on the reverse side of this sheet. Contact the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission at 1-800-638-2772 or www.cpsc.gov, for a comprehensive listing of all recalled products. To keep up to date on product recalls, sign up to receive recall alerts by fax or email.
- Spread the word. Distribute this flyer to parents, caregivers, grandparents, and pediatricians. Call Kids In Danger at 312-595-0649 for more copies or to request additional literature.
- Learn more about the problem. For more information about children's product safety, visit Kids In Danger's web site at **www.KidsInDanger.org**. Sign up for our email and mailing lists to receive our publications and email alerts.
- Become a children's product safety advocate. Write to your elected officials to voice your concern about the safety of juvenile products. Ask them to support the *Children's Product Safety Act,* model state legislation that makes it illegal to sell or lease unsafe children's products and prohibits their use in licensed childcare facilities. Encourage Congress to push for pre-market independent testing of children's products by supporting the federal *Infant and Toddler Durable Product Safety Act* (Schakowsky D-IL).

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More information about the fire and burn hazards of recalled juvenile products can be found in ***A Burning Threat: Fire and Burn Hazards of Children's Product Recalls 1992 to 2002***. Contact Kids In Danger at 312-595-0649 or visit www.KidsInDanger.org for a copy of the report.

Children's products recalled for fire, burn or electric shock hazards

June 1992 to June 2002

Action Performance Companies Inc. race car collectibles
Advance Thermo Control "PRINCE LIONHEART" wipe warmers
Bentley Lingerie Inc. girls' "Esleep Juniors" robes
Coville Inc. garments made from fleece fabric
Disney Store Little Mermaid costumes
Dragons Are Too Seldom, Inc. infant heating pads
Empire Industries battery-powered children's riding vehicles
Equity Marketing Inc. remote controlled toy race cars
Federated Department Stores Inc. children's robes
Fisher-Price battery-powered Power Wheels ride-on vehicles
Gap Inc. children's pajamas
General Mills "Bug's Life" mini-projector flashlights
Gerry Baby Products Co. Clear Choice rechargeable baby monitors
Gerry Baby Products Co. Model 602 Deluxe baby monitors
Halycon WaterSpring Inc. Dex wipe warmers
Hardwick Knitted Fabrics Inc. fleece garments for children and infants
Hasbro Inc. Star Wars lightsabers
Hills Department Stores wooden children's lamps
JA-RU Inc. "Blast Balls" toys
Just Toys Inc. Quick N' Easy Micro-Bake Cake Sets for Kids
Kmart Corp. "Little Ones" children's decorative lamps
KMC USA Inc. Party Time "Happy String" spray string
Levis Strauss & Co. fleece fabric shirts
Levis Strauss & Co. jean sweatshirts
Limited Too Inc. children's satin pajama sets
Limited Too Inc. girls' fleece robes
MDK Inc. K-LINE electric model trains
Meijer Inc. "All That Glitters" light and glitter children's wands
Peg Perego USA Inc. battery-powered children's riding vehicles
Rose Art Industries Inc. children's soap making kits
Rubie's Costume Company children's vampire cape
Rubie's Costume Company children's witch broom
Safety 1st "especially for baby" model 26133 wipe warmers
Sonca Products Ltd. "PLAYMOBIL" toy flashlights
Stelex Enterprises, Inc., Major Import, LeSa Yang Family Ltd. spray string
Target "UTILITY" boys' sweat shirts
Tek Nek Toys battery-powered children's riding vehicles
The Wild Goose Co. "Professor Wacko's Exothermic Exuberance" chemistry kits
Toys "R" Us Baskets of Bubbles children's soap craft set
Value City and Schottenstein stores "Express Ways!" gel candle kits
(Various importers and retailers) chenille sweaters
William Carter Co. girls' nightshirts

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