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THOUSANDS OF BABY PRODUCTS RECALLED

Thousands of baby products from three separate suppliers have been recalled, following safety inspections by the State's consumer watchdog.

Inspections by compliance officers from Consumer and Business Services discovered a number of products for babies and toddlers currently on sale which could pose a risk to young children.

The national recall affects 210 cots from Incy Interiors, 1630 dummies from Toys R Us and about 200 infant clothing items from Purely Group.

Commissioner for Consumer Affairs Paul White said it was a real concern that products were available for sale that didn't comply with mandatory safety standards for manufacturing or labelling.

"We are talking about 2000 items that have to go back to the maker because design or warnings were inadequate and could result in injury to children, or, in the worst case scenario, a fatal accident," said Mr. White.

"Design standards and warning labels are there for good reason, and the potential for the products we've identified to harm young children is very real, whether from strangulation, head and neck injury or burns."

"In the case of the Toys R Us recall, it affects 1630 Babies R Us 2-pack Deco and Airflow pacifiers.

"The packages do not have the mandatory warning about not tying the soother around the baby's neck, and parents may not be aware of the potential for a young child to suffocate.

"Incy Interiors have also agreed to recall 210 cots in their Reese, Clancy, Romy, Declan and Sophia lines, because the bars aren't spaced properly and could pose a serious injury risk.

"In this case, the distance between the vertical bars was too small, and the space between horizontal bars is too big, posing a risk of a toddler getting their limbs or even heads stuck.

"Purely Group's 'Britt' long and short-sleeved rompers sold at Purely Australian and Australian Made stores have also been recalled because of unsafe labelling.

"These items were missing the fire danger warning label that is mandatory on all children's clothing, advising whether it is a high or low danger level."

Enforcement action is being considered for these breaches, which can include a warning, a fine of \$1200 or penalties up to \$1.1 million for a company.

Consumers who may have purchased one of these products should return it to retailer for a full refund.

Further information about product safety is available at: www.productsafety.gov.au and information about recalls is available at: www.recall.gov.au.



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