



## RECALL NOTICE

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### CPSC, Emerson Tool Co. Announce Recall to Repair Wet/Dry Vacuums

#### NEWS from CPSC

#### U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

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WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission announces the following recall in voluntary cooperation with the firm below. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed.

**Name of product:** Ridgid® 16-Gallon, Model WD16650 2-In-1 Blower Vac

**Units:** About 6,500

**Manufacturer:** Emerson Tool Co., of St. Louis, Mo.

**Hazard:** The air intake shield may be missing. Consumers can suffer lacerations if they come into contact with the intake blower wheel.

**Incidents/Injuries:** Emerson Tool Co. has received two reports of consumers who suffered lacerations to finger tips while using these vacuums.

**Description:** The Ridgid® 16-gallon 2-In-1 Blower Vac, Model WD16650, have light gray drums with orange lids, gray power heads, and black wheels. The recalled units have the model number and a serial number from 04104C through 04114C located on a label on the side of the power head. "Ridgid® 2 In 1 Blower Vac" is written on the front of the units.

**Sold at:** Home Depot stores and by RIDGE TOOL distributors nationwide from April 2004 through January 2005 for about \$100.

**Manufactured in:** Canada

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**Remedy:** If the air intake shield is missing, consumers should stop using their vacuum and contact the firm for a free repair kit.

**Consumer Contact:** Consumers should call Emerson Tool Co. at (800) 372-7759 between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. CT Monday through Friday, or visit their Web site at [www.emersontoolcompany.com](http://www.emersontoolcompany.com)

