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**Alltrade Tools Recalls Power Tool Battery Chargers Due to Burn and Laceration Hazards**

The following product safety recall was voluntarily conducted by the firm in cooperation with the CPSC. Consumers should stop using the product immediately unless otherwise instructed.

**Name of Product:** Battery Chargers supplied with certain Kawasaki branded Power Tool Kits.

**Units:** About 800,000.

**Distributor:** Alltrade Tools LLC, of Long Beach, Calif.

**Hazard:** When used with an incompatible charger, the battery pack can overheat and melt during charging, or can explode during use, posing burn, laceration and bruise hazards to consumers.

**Incidents/Injuries:** Alltrade Tools has received 30 reports of incidents, including eight injuries from the battery packs melting or forcefully expelling plastic shards while in use. Injuries include minor acid burns from handling fractured battery packs, cuts, bruises and some temporary hearing loss from a loud noise that can occur if an internal battery cell ruptures.

**Description:** The recall includes battery chargers sold with certain model numbers of both 19.2 and 21.6 volt

NiCad battery packs. The battery model number is located on a label on the bottom of the battery pack. The power tool's model number is stamped onto the inside lid of the tool set's plastic carrying case.

**Sold by:** National wholesale club retailers nationwide from September 2005 through September 2007 for between \$40 and \$100.

**Manufactured in:** China

**Remedy:** Consumers should stop using the recalled battery chargers immediately and register at [www.alltradetools.com](http://www.alltradetools.com) to receive a free compatible battery charger. Alltrade Tools LLC is directly contacting consumers who purchased the power tools containing the recalled chargers. Consumers should not return the battery chargers to the store where purchased.

**Consumer Contact:** For additional information, please contact Alltrade Tools LLC at (877) 231-9239 between 8:30 a.m. and 8 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, and between 9 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. ET on Saturday, or visit the firm's Web site at [www.alltradetools.com](http://www.alltradetools.com) (pdf).

Power Tool	Power Tool Model	Battery Pack Model
KW Black 19.2V Cordless Drill	840128	691034
KW Black 19.2V 26 PC Drill Set	840135	
KW Black 4 PC Power Tool Combo	840338	
KW Black 2 PC Power Tool Combo	840339	
KW Black 19.2V 26 PC Drill Set	840135A	691240
KW Black 21.6V Cordless Drill	840266	691221
KW Black 21.6V Cordless Drill	840267	

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