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## Product Safety Alert

### **Electric Blower Vacuums Recalled by OWT Industries Due to Laceration Hazard; Sold Exclusively at Walmart in USA Stores only**

The Electrical Safety Authority is notifying the public that OWT Industries has announced a voluntary recall of the following consumer product in the United States. Consumers who have purchased these units in the United States should stop using recalled products immediately.

**Name of product:** Expert Gardener Electric Blower Vacuums

**Hazard:** Objects that are drawn into the unit during vacuum mode can break through the plastic housing, posing a laceration hazard.

**Units:** About 131,500

**Description:** This recall involves Expert Gardener electric blower vacuums with two different model and serial number ranges, including model 20254EG with serial numbers BMP3010001 through BMR3311972, and model 20254EGC with serial numbers EUP3120001 through EUP3630730. Model and serial numbers are located on a label on the left side of the motor housing. The blower vacuums are green and black. "Expert Gardener" and "BlowerVac 2 Speed Quiet 150 MPH Powerful 220 MPH" are printed on the side of the green motor housing and on the black plastic blower tube.

**Incidents/Injuries:** There has been one report of an incident with the recalled blower vacuums. No injuries have been reported.

**Remedy:** Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled blower vacuums and contact OWT Industries Inc. for a free replacement blower vacuum.

**Sold exclusively at:** Walmart stores nationwide and online at [www.walmart.com](http://www.walmart.com) from January 2012 through December 2012 for about \$40 in the United States only.

**Importer:** OWT Industries Inc., of Pickens, S.C.

**Manufacturer:** Changzhou Globe Tools Co. Ltd. and Techtronic Industries (Dongguan) Co. Ltd., of China

**Manufactured in:** China

**Consumer Contact:** OWT Industries Inc.; at (800) 597-9624 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or online at [www.expertgardenertools.com](http://www.expertgardenertools.com) and click on Safety Notices for more information.

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**Remarks:** The affected units were intended for sale and distribution in the U. S only. However, the recalled units are certified to Canadian Standards by CSA. For more information about CSA s product certification process please visit: [www.csa-international.org/](http://www.csa-international.org/).

