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Children's Jackets with Drawstrings Recalled by GTM Sportswear Due to Strangulation Hazard

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with the firm named below, today announced a voluntary recall of the following products. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed.

Name of Product: Children's Jackets with Drawstrings

Units: About 210,000

Manufacturer/Importer: GTM Sportswear Inc., of Manhattan, Kan.

Hazard: The children's jackets have drawstrings through the hood which can pose a strangulation hazard to children. In February 1996, CPSC issued guidelines (which were incorporated into an industry voluntary standard in 1997) to help prevent children from strangling or getting entangled on the neck and waist drawstrings in upper garments, such as jackets or sweatshirts.

Incidents/Injuries: None reported

Description: This recall involves children's hooded nylon jackets in sizes XXS-XL (2T-16) and in various colors. "GTM Sportswear" is printed on a label sewn in the neck of the garments. Styles include Youth Medalist Jacket (YJA180), Youth Legacy Jacket (YJAPT01), Youth Eclipse Jacket (YLJA186), Youth Dominator Jacket (YJA3800), Youth Booster Jacket (YJA150), Youth Achiever Jacket (YJA161).

Sold at: GTM Sportswear, K-State Super Store, and Cats Closet stores in Kansas, other custom screen print and embroidery stores nationwide, on the Web at

www.gtmsportswear.com, www.kstategear.com, www.catscloset.com and www.justforkix.com and in GTM Sportswear and the Just for Kix catalogs from January 2003 through December 2009 for between \$25 and \$30.

Manufactured in: China

Remedy: Consumers should immediately remove the drawstrings from the jackets to eliminate the hazard or return the jackets to their place of purchase or to GTM Sportswear for a full refund. **Consumer Contact:** For additional information, contact GTM Sportswear at (800) 437-9560 between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. CT Monday through Friday, and on Saturday between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m., or visit the firm's Web site at <u>www.gtmsportswear.com</u>.



CPSC is still interested in receiving incident or injury reports that are either directly related to this product recall or involve a different hazard with the same product. Please tell us about it by visiting <u>https://www.cpsc.gov/cgibin/incident.aspx</u>

Send the link for this page to a friend! The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission is charged with protecting the public from unreasonable risks of serious injury or death from thousands of types of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. The CPSC is committed to protecting consumers and families from products that pose a fire, electrical, chemical, or mechanical hazard. The CPSC's work to ensure the safety of consumer products - such as toys, cribs, power tools, cigarette lighters, and household chemicals - contributed significantly to the decline in the rate of deaths and injuries associated with consumer products over the past 30 years.

To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury, call CPSC's Hotline at (800) 638-2772 or CPSC's teletypewriter at (800) 638-8270. To join a CPSC e-mail subscription list, please go to <u>https://www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx</u>. Consumers can obtain recall and general safety information by logging on to CPSC's Web site at <u>www.cpsc.gov</u>.

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