

Dishwasher - United States 2005 | Canada

Date: February 25, 2005

Name of Product: Whirlpool® and Kenmore® brand dishwashers

Units: About 162,000

Manufacturer: Whirlpool Corporation, of Benton Harbor, Mich.

Hazard: An electrical defect within the dishwashers' wash motor wiring poses a risk of the motor overheating and possibly catching fire.

Incidents/Injuries: Whirlpool Corporation has received three reports of overheated wash motors. There are no reports of personal injury or property damage.

Description:

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. It is illegal to resell or attempt to resell a recalled consumer product.

The recalled products are Whirlpool® brand and Kenmore® brand (made by Whirlpool Corporation) under-the-counter, plastic tall tub dishwashers. The dishwashers come with black, white, biscuit, or stainless front panels. They have the following model and serial numbers located inside the tub on a tag near the left side of the door opening:

| Brand / Product | Model Number Begins With | Serial Number Range |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Whirlpool® Under-the-counter plastic tall tub dishwashers | DU1 DUL GU1 GU2 GU6 | FR2200000 to FR2499999 |
| Kenmore® Under-the-counter plastic tall tub dishwashers | 665.143 665.160 665.163 665.170 665.173 | FR2200000 to FR4599999 |

*Not all dishwashers within the serial number range are included in the recall. Consumers should call Whirlpool to determine if their dishwasher is included in this recall.

Sold At: Department and appliance stores and through homebuilders nationwide from June 2004 through January 2005 for between \$350 and \$600.

Manfactured In: US

Consumer Contact: Call Whirlpool Corporation toll free at (866) 769-7260 from Monday - Friday, 8am - 8pm EST.

Remedy: Consumers with one of these dishwashers should immediately stop using it, disconnect the electric supply by shutting off the fuse or circuit breaker controlling it, and inform all users of the dishwasher not to use it due to the risk of fire. Consumers should call Whirlpool to determine if their dishwasher is included in this recall. If it is included, Whirlpool Corporation will schedule a free in-home repair. Please do not return the dishwasher to the retailer where it was purchased, as retailers are not prepared to take them back. If you own a Whirlpool® brand and Kenmore® brand under-the-counter plastic tall tub dishwasher and have had service on your wash motor between August 2004 and January 2005, please call Whirlpool Corporation to determine if your unit is included in this recall and to schedule a free, in-home inspection.

Representative Models:



