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Release #08 Firm's Recall Hotline: (800) 574-6800

CPSC Recall Hotline: (800) 638-2772

CPSC Media Contact: (301) 504-7908 Hamilton Beach Recalls Toasters Due to

Fire 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 consumer product. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed. (To access color photos of the following recalled products, see CPSC's Web site at [www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov).)

**Name of Product:** Hamilton Beach® and Proctor-Silex® Toasters

**Units:** About 482,000

**Importer:** Hamilton Beach Brands Inc., of Glen Allen, Va.

**Hazard:** The toasters can remain "on" (energized) after popping up, and can ignite flammable items covering or in contact with the toaster, posing a fire hazard.

**Incidents/Injuries:** Hamilton Beach has received at least 63 reports of toasters that remained "on" despite being in the "up" position. There are no reports of injuries or fires.

**Description:** The recalled Hamilton Beach® and Proctor-Silex® toasters are black, red, white, chrome or brushed chrome with 2-slice or 4-slice openings. Hamilton Beach or Proctor-Silex is printed on the side of the toasters. Only specific series codes of each model are included in this recall. The model number and series code are printed on the bottom of the toasters.

Toaster Model Numbers	
22145B	22779
22145BC	22900
22450	22903
22559	22903H
22625	24450

22627C	24559
22635	24657
22657	24779
22658	

**Sold at:** Department stores, mass merchandisers, grocery stores, home center stores, and other stores retail stores nationwide, and various online retailers from August 2007 through February 2008 for between \$13 and \$40

**Manufactured in:** China

**Remedy:** Hamilton Beach Brands Inc., of Glen Allen, Va.

**Hazard:** The toasters can remain "on" (energized) after popping up, and can ignite flammable items covering or in contact with the toaster, posing a fire hazard.

**Consumer Contact:** For additional information, contact Hamilton Beach at (800) 574-6800 anytime, or visit the firm's Web site at [www.hamiltonbeach.com](http://www.hamiltonbeach.com) for Hamilton Beach® toasters, and [www.proctorsilex.com](http://www.proctorsilex.com) for Proctor-Silex® toasters.



The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission is charged with protecting the public from unreasonable risks of serious injury or death from more than 15,000 types of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. Deaths, injuries and property damage from consumer product incidents cost the nation more than \$800 billion annually. 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 or visit CPSC's Web site at [www.cpsc.gov/talk.html](http://www.cpsc.gov/talk.html). Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's Web site at [www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov).