

Four Deaths Lead to Graco Stroller Recall

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<u>Four deaths</u> have been blamed on the older model versions of the Quattro Tour and MetroLite strollers made by Graco Children's Products Inc. of Atlanta.* For this reason, the company is now recalling about two million of those models. The four infant deaths referenced occurred between 2003 and 2005.

In addition to those four deaths, **six other infants** suffered either cuts, bruises, entrapment or breathing difficulties after being placed in those strollers. The potentially dangerous Quattro Tour strollers were made before November 2006 and the MetroLite strollers were manufactured prior to July 2007.

All Graco 2010 Recalls Prior to The Current One:

In some ways, the year 2010 hasn't been a particularly good one for Graco Products. The company has had to make the following recalls earlier this year:

- January 2010. Approximately, 1.5 million strollers had to be recalled due to dangers of finger amputations;
- <u>March 2010.</u> About 1.2 million highchairs had to be recalled due to the possibility that the chairs might tip over and harm infants;
- <u>April 2010.</u> Close to 217,000 cribs were recalled since infants and small children might suffer strangulation if placed in them.

Exact Model Numbers Being Recalled

Concerned parents and other caregivers may want to review the rather lengthy list of the model numbers affected. By clicking on this link to **Graco's own Web site**, you can browse through the list. You can obtain repair kits for these strollers by clicking on this additional **Graco Web page**. Frequently asked questions concerning these stroller models can be found on this **Graco page**

Stores That Sold These Strollers

Purchasers of these strollers probably bought them at one of the **following stores**: AAFES, Babies R Us, Burlington Coat Factory, Fred Meyer, Kmart, Meijers, Navy Exchange, Sears, Target and Walmart. A few other stores also sold them. All consumers are reminded to avoid buying any of these strollers that may still be for sale in secondhand stores.

Additional Recall Information

- Consumers can find helpful videos posted on Graco's Web site that will tell them how to use the **repair kits** once they arrive.
- Owners do not need to return their strollers to the stores where they bought them. They should just order a repair kit at the link already provided above in this article.
- Consumers who do not have ready access to the Internet or who have questions not addressed on Graco's Web site can call: 1-877- 828-4046. This phone number can be called 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

We hope this information will help you quickly obtain the repair kits you need for these recalled products.

*(Note: Graco Children's Products is a unit of Newell Rubbermaid).

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