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DeWalt Recalls Framing Saws and Circular Saws for Laceration 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.

Name of Product: DeWalt DW378G/DW378GT Framing Saws and DC300 Circular Saws

Units: About 97,000 framing saws and 37,000 circular saws

Manufacturer: DeWalt Industrial Tool Co., of Towson, Md.

Hazard: The lower blade guard can fail to close, leaving the blade exposed and presenting a laceration hazard to consumers.

Incidents/Injuries: DeWalt has received four reports of the lower guard failing to close, including three reports of lacerations. One consumer received lacerations to the hand and two others received lacerations to the leg, all required medical attention.

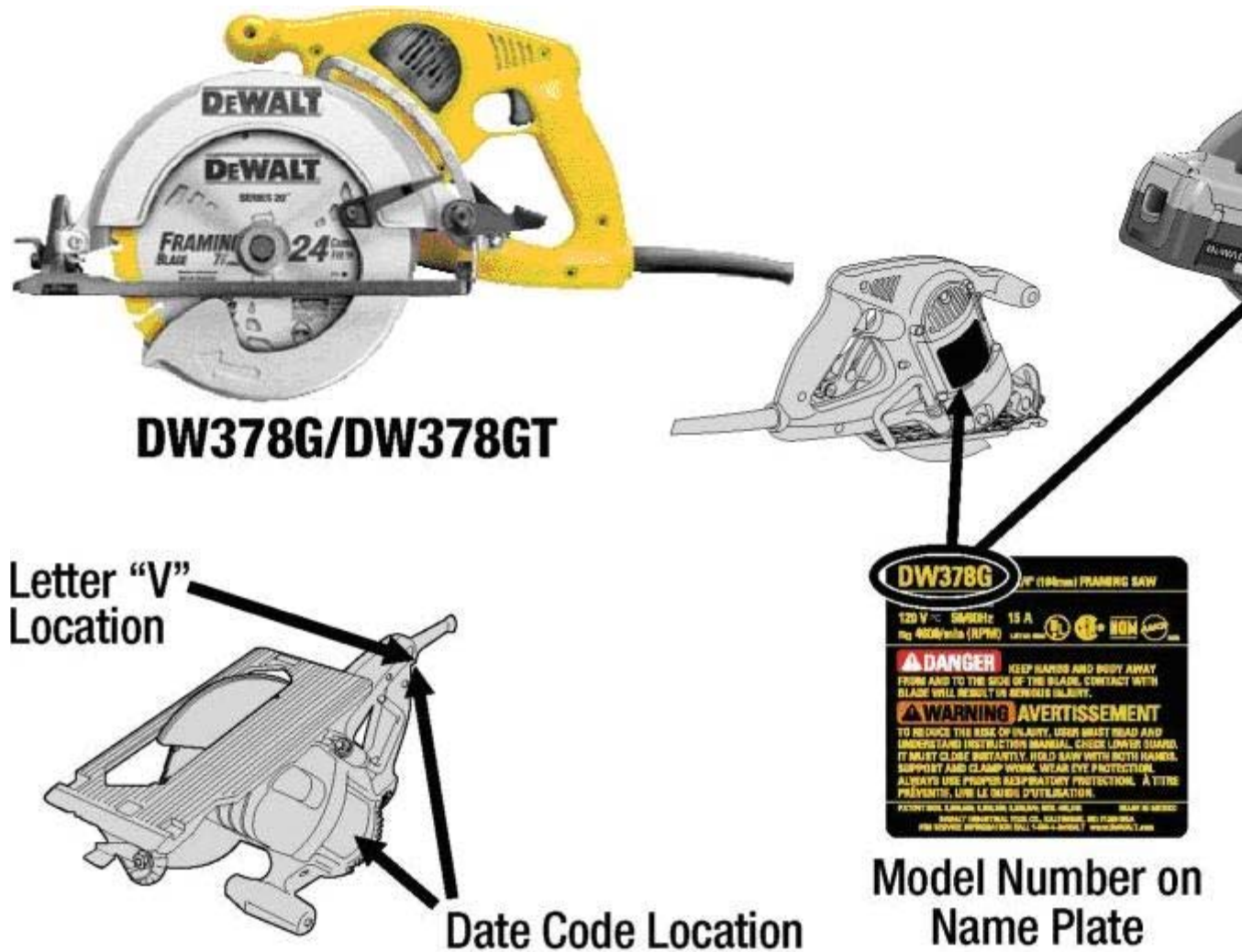
Description: This recall involves DeWalt DW378G and DW378GT 7 ¼-inch framing saws with date codes 200301-49 through 200637-49. The model numbers for the framing saws are located on the side of the housing. The date code is located either on the name plate or under the handle near the power cord exit. Circular saws involved in this recall have model number DC300 with date codes 200601-49 through 200637-49. The model number on the circular saw is located on the name plate on the top of the motor housing. The date code on the circular saw is located on the underside of the motor housing. Framing saws marked with a "V" on the underside of the handle near the cord set and circular saws marked with a "V" on the underside of the motor housing or under the handle where the battery is inserted have already been repaired and are not involved in this recall.

Sold at: Major home centers and hardware stores nationwide from January 2003 through August 2006 for about \$170 for the framing saw. The circular saw was sold from May 2006 through September 2006 for between \$380 and \$800, depending on the kit.

Manufactured in: Mexico

Remedy: Consumers should stop using the saws immediately and contact DeWalt for a free repair.

Consumer Contact: For additional information, consumers can contact DeWalt toll-free at (866) 854-5214 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's Web site at www.dewalt.com



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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. To join a CPSC email subscription list, please go to www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.asp. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's Web site at www.cpsc.gov.