

# NEWS from CPSC

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### STIHL Recalls Yard Power Products Due to Burn and Fire Hazards

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

Name of Product: Gas powered STIHL trimmers, brushcutters, KombiMotors, hedge trimmers, edgers, clearing saws, pole pruners, and backpack blowers that utilize a toolless fuel cap

Units: About 2.3 million


Manufacturer: STIHL Inc., of Virginia Beach, Va.

Hazard: The level of ethanol and other fuel additives can distort the toolless fuel cap, allowing fuel to spill, posing a fire and burn hazard.

Incidents/Injuries: STIHL has received 81 reports of difficulty installing and/or removing the fuel caps and fuel spillage. No injuries have been reported.

Description: The following yard power tools and model numbers are included in this recall:

Product Name & Description	Model Number	Serial Numbers Affected	Photos
Blower, backpack	BR 500	Up to 284053456	 <p data-bbox="1104 1848 1218 1879">BR 500</p>
	BR 550	Up to 284053456	
	BR 600	Up to 284053456	
	BR 600 Magnum	Up to 284053456	

Hedge Trimmer, extended reach	HL 90K	Up to 284101483	 <p>HL 100</p>
	HL 100	Up to 284101483	
	HL 100 K	Up to 284101483	
Pole Pruner	HT 56 C-E	Up to 284398635	 <p>HT 131</p>
	HT 100	Up to 284097165	
	HT 101	Up to 284097165	
	HT 130	Up to 284097165	
	HT 131	Up to 284097165	
Edger	FC 56 C-E	Up to 284180999	
	FC 70 C-E	Up to 284180999	

FC 90	Up to 284012099	
FC 95	Up to 284012099	
FC 100	Up to 284012099	
FC 110	Up to 284012099	



FC 70 C-E

Trimmer/Brushcutter

FS 40 C-E	Up to 284180999	
FS 56 C-E	Up to 284180999	
FS 56 RC-E	Up to 284180999	
FS 70 RC-E	Up to 284180999	
FS 90	Up to 284012099	
FS 90 R	Up to 284012099	
FS 100 RX	Up to 284012099	
FS 110	Up to 284012099	
FS 110 R	Up to 284012099	
FS 110 RX	Up to 284012099	
FS 130	Up to 284012099	



FS 110 R

	FS 130 R	Up to 284012099	
Clearing Saw	FS 310	Up to 284012099	 <p>FS 310</p>
KombiEngine	KM 56 RC-E	Up to 284180999	 <p>KM 130 R</p>
	KM 90 R	Up to 284012099	
	KM 110 R	Up to 284012099	
	KM 130 R	Up to 284012099	

Sold at: Authorized STIHL dealers nationwide from July 2002 through May 2011 for between \$190 and \$650.

Manufactured in: United States

Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using these products and return them to an authorized STIHL dealer for a free repair. Consumers can contact STIHL for instructions on identifying these toolless fuel caps.

Consumer Contact: For additional information, contact STIHL toll-free at (800) 233-4729 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's website at [www.stihlusa.com](http://www.stihlusa.com) or e-mail to [stihlrecall@stihl.us](mailto:stihlrecall@stihl.us)

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The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (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 your experience with the product on [www.saferproducts.gov](http://www.saferproducts.gov)

CPSC is charged with protecting the public from unreasonable risks of injury or death associated with the use of the thousands of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. Deaths, injuries, and property damage from consumer product incidents cost the nation more than \$900 billion annually. CPSC is committed to protecting consumers and families from products that pose a fire, electrical, chemical, or mechanical hazard. CPSC's work to ensure the safety of consumer products - such as toys, cribs, power tools, cigarette lighters, and household chemicals - contributed to a decline in the rate of deaths and injuries associated with consumer products over the past 30 years.

Under federal law, it is illegal to attempt to sell or resell this or any other recalled product.

To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury, go online to: [www.saferproducts.gov](http://www.saferproducts.gov), call CPSC's Hotline at (800) 638-2772 or teletypewriter at (800) 638-8270 for the hearing impaired. Consumers can obtain this news release and product safety information at [www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov). To join a free e-mail subscription list, please go to <https://www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx>.