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Champion's Choice Recalls Walther Air Cylinders for Air Pistols Due to Burst 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.)

Name of Product: Walther Air Cylinders for Air Pistols

Units: About 70

Distributor: Champion's Choice, of La Vergne, Tenn.

Manufacturer: Carl Walther GmbH, Sportwaffen, of Germany

Hazard: The cylinders can burst when in use and/or while being filled, posing a risk of serious injury to consumers.

Incidents/Injuries: Walther has received one report where a cylinder burst while a consumer was refilling the cylinder, resulting in a minor hand injury.

Description: The recalled Walther air cylinders for air pistols are aluminum and involve model 2/WALTHER 85 cm³, with the imprinted test date between 6 00 and 6 01 2000/2001 located on the end of the cylinder.

Sold by: Champion's Choice store in La Vergne, Tennessee and International Shooters Service in Ft. Worth, Texas from 2000 through 2002 for about \$47.

Manufactured in: Germany

Remedy: Consumers should stop using the recalled cylinders immediately and depressurize them, and contact Champion's Choice to get a replacement cylinder.

Consumer Contact: For more information, contact Champion's Choice at (800) 345-7179 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. CT Monday through Friday, or visit the manufacturer's Web site at www.carl-walther.com.

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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 \$700 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 30 percent 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. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's Web site at www.cpsc.gov.

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