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### **Five Retailers Agree to Stop Sale and Recall Tots in Mind Crib Tents Due to Strangulation and Entrapment Hazard**

#### ***One Death and Serious Brain Injury Reported***

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and five retailers are announcing a voluntary recall to provide refunds to consumers who own crib tents and play yard tents made by Tots in Mind, Inc.

CPSC is warning parents and caregivers who own these products that infants and toddlers are at risk of serious injury or death due to strangulation and entrapment hazards presented by these products. Tots in Mind recalled the play yard tents in July 2010 and offered a repair kit that is no longer available. The company is no longer in business and has stopped all sales. CPSC staff urges parents and caregivers to stop using these crib tents and play yard tents immediately. **Do not attempt to repair these products.**

CPSC is aware of 27 tent failures including one fatality and one serious injury that occurred between January 1997 and April 2012 from crib tents and play yard tents made by Tots in Mind, Inc. In 2008, a two year old boy died after becoming entrapped between the bottom rail of a play yard tent and the top rail of a play yard. The fatality was reported in a [prior recall](#) with the firm in July 15, 2010.

In 2007, a two year old boy sustained a catastrophic brain injury when the crib tent affixed to his crib tent inverted and the product's broken rod trapped him at the neck. The remaining 25 reports to CPSC involved inverted crib tents—entrapments between the tent and the crib/play yard or failures of the tent fabric and zippers. Three of these 25 reports also resulted in injuries; in one such case, a parent reported finding her child turning blue and entrapped between the product and the top rail of the play yard.

Since Tots in Mind, Inc. is out of business, retailers who sold these products have stepped up to offer refunds or store credit to consumers. The crib tents and play yard tents can present an entrapment and strangulation hazard to infants and toddlers if the dome portion inverts inside the crib or play yard, or if the product becomes partially detached from the crib or play yard. The recalled products were sold at numerous retail stores including Bed Bath & Beyond/Buy Buy Baby, Burlington Coat Factory, Toys R Us/Babies R Us, Walmart and online on websites including Amazon.com, for between \$60 and \$85.

Consumers should contact the store listed below where the crib tent was purchased to receive either a refund or store credit, depending on the retailer. If consumer is unsure of where the crib tent was purchased, see return policy for individual retailers below on their website:

- Amazon.com [[Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com)]
- Bed Bath & Beyond / Buy Buy Baby [[bedbathandbeyond.com](https://www.bedbathandbeyond.com) or [buybuybaby.com](https://www.buybuybaby.com) or (800) GOBEYOND]
- Burlington Coat Factory [[burlingtoncoatfactory.com](https://www.burlingtoncoatfactory.com) or (888) 223-2628]
- Toys R Us/Babies R Us [[toysrus.com](https://www.toysrus.com) or [babiesrus.com](https://www.babiesrus.com) or (800) 869-7787]
- Walmart [[walmartstores.com](https://www.walmartstores.com) or (800) 925-6278]

The recall includes various models of about 330,000 crib or play yard tents. Consumers can identify their tent by the 2"x 1½" label with Tots In Mind logo located on the non-mesh portion near the top of the tent.



No model names or numbers are located on the tents, however they can be identified by the pictures below and the Tots in Mind logo on top of the tent:



**Original Cozy Crib Tent**



**Cozy Crib Tent II**



**Portable Play Yard Tent**

1. Portable Playard Tent
2. Original Cozy Crib Tent
3. Cozy Crib Tent II
4. Crib Tent for Convertible Cribs
5. Portable Playard Tent Plus Cabana Kit

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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 [SaferProducts.gov](http://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: [SaferProducts.gov](http://SaferProducts.gov), call CPSC's Hotline at (800) 638-2772 or teletypewriter at (301) 595-7054 for the hearing and speech 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 [www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx](http://www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx).