



Child Accident Prevention Foundation of Australia

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Voluntary recall of Striker component Safetech Hardware Key Lockable Pool Gate Latch

SafeTech Hardware Australia Pty Ltd (SafeTech Hardware) and the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) have announced a voluntary recall of the lock striker component of the following key lockable gate latches:

- SafeTech Top Pull Pool Gate Latch (Key Lockable)
- G8Safe Top Pull Pool Gate Latch (Key Lockable)
- SafeTech TriLatch (Key Lockable)
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These products are also available for purchase as part of the following kits:

- SafeTech Trade Packs (Key Lockable)
- G8Safe Megapack (Key Lockable)

SafeTech Hardware is a financial supporter of the Child Accident Prevention Foundation of Australia (Kidsafe Australia).

The strikers will operate normally if unlocked. If the gate is open, turning the key in the striker may cause the gate to remain locked in the open position, posing a potential water safety hazard.

Kidsafe Australia urges all owners and residents of properties with pools and spas to check the latches on their gates. If the above latches are installed, consumers are being asked to free call the striker support number on 1300 034 096 or register via the SafeTech Hardware website for assistance with disabling the key lock mechanism and to discuss their replacement options.

The ACCC has advised that disabling the key mechanism will not affect the existing pool compliance status or its ability to latch and secure the gate.

Kidsafe Australia works closely with industries across a number of safety areas including pool safety; the manufacturer of the above range is a supporter of our 'Safe Barriers Save Lives' campaign.

"Kidsafe Australia is concerned that the problem arose but is pleased that Safetech Hardware has taken action to voluntarily recall the striker component of their latches. We look forward to Safetech Hardware's continued advocacy for pool safety in our community," a spokesperson for Kidsafe Australia said.

More information can be found at:



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- www.productsafety.gov.au/recall/safetech-hardware-australia-pty-ltd-keyed-striker-component-of-safetech-top-pull-latch-safetech-trilatch-g8safe-top-pull-latch-g8safe-trilatch
- <http://safetechhardware.com.au/>
- Safetech Hardware - FREECALL 1300 034 096