

Wal-Mart recalls 1.5 million Durabrand DVD players

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WASHINGTON — Wal-Mart Stores Inc. is voluntarily recalling about 1.5 million Durabrand DVD players after the company said it received five reports of the products overheating, leading to fires and property damage.

No injuries have been reported, the company said.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission on Thursday announced the recall of the Durabrand DVD players, which were sold exclusively at Wal-Mart stores nationwide from January 2006 through July 2009.

The agency said it didn't immediately have the details of the property damage amounts.

The DVD players, made in China and imported by Wal-Mart, can overheat, which poses as a fire and burn hazard to consumers. Wal-Mart said it has received 12 reports of the DVD players overheating, including the five reports that resulted in fires.

The recall involves a single DVD player with a remote control. The silver-colored electronic device has a U-shaped opening at the top to insert the DVD.

The safety commission said consumers should stop using the DVD player and return it to Wal-Mart for a refund. Details: by phone at 800-925-6278; by Web at <http://www.walmartstores.com> or <http://www.cpsc.gov>.