DeTech Fire Alarm Company Reminds of Dishwasher Recalls

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The DeTech Fire Alarm company is taking bold action in attempting to alert the public to millions of still unrepaired dishwashers that have been recalled because of fire hazards, but remain in consumersâ€™ homes.

Over the past 20 years, there have been at least 14 separate recalls of 7 different manufactures of dishwashers, with a combined total of over 15 million units recalled. These are all fire-related issues, ranging from faulty switches to overheating motors to water leaking on electronics, causing short circuits.

Many consumers are not aware that there is a deadly fault with their dishwasher and millions of these recalled fire-hazards remain in homes today. These families sleep soundly at night, while a killer is unknowingly lurking in their kitchen. A killer that could easily be repairedâ€¦if they only knew.

To find out if your dishwasher is included is simple, and the fix is usually free. All you have to do is go to http://www.cpsc.gov. You will find a search window towards the top left of the homepage and you simply type in the make and model of your dishwasher (usually found on a plate inside the door) and it will take you to the details if yours is on the list.

The Vice President of DeTech Fire Alarms, Bill Driscoll said, â€œOur Safety Consultants are in tens of thousands of homes every year, conducting free educational programs and it made sense for us to assist homeowners in finding out if they have a recalled dishwasher by providing all of our Consultants a copy of all dishwasher recalls. Any way that we can help save a life is well worth the effort. All of our local, Independent Dealers are very enthusiastic about this.â€•

For a dishwasher you have in your home now, be sure you have sent in the warranty information. Many homeowners never take the time to fill out and send in the warranty information on any products. This is especially important for electrical devices, so you can be alerted immediately to a recall. There is a place at www.cpsc.gov that you can easily sign up for notices of safety recalls on most home products. Also, if you are considering buying a used dishwasher, be sure it has not been recalled.

Dishwasher manufacturers go through very stringent testing and standards, but many defects or possible hazards do not show up until many years later. One of the largest recent recalls of 2.5 million GE Dishwashers under the names Eterna, GE, GE Profile, GE Monogram, Hotpoint, and Sears-Kenmore was from liquid rinse aid leaking into wiring and causing overheating and a fire hazard. Even though the recall was in May of 2007, the dishwashers in question were sold between 1997 and 2001. It is often difficult to track down the original owners 10 years later.

If you find out that your home contains a recalled dishwasher, it is recommended that you immediately stop using it and shut off the electrical breaker that powers your dishwasher. In several cases, the dishwasher can start a fire even when not in use. Then, follow the instructions on the recall notice for repair or replacement.

And if a local DeTech Fire Alarm Consultant stops by your home, you should welcome them; they just may be there to save your life!

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