Specialized Bicycle Components Inc. Recalls Bicycles Due to Fall 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.

Name of Product: Bicycles with SW Carbon Stem with Magnesium Faceplate

Units: About 2,700

Manufacturer: Specialized Bicycle Components Inc., of Morgan Hill, Calif.

Hazard: The bicycle's stem has a magnesium faceplate that holds the handlebar in place. The faceplates on the recalled stems can crack allowing the handlebar to break off the bicycle, posing a serious fall hazard.

Incidents/Injuries: Specialized has received five reports of the magnesium faceplate exhibiting cracks. No injuries have been reported.

Description and Models: The SW Carbon Stem with Magnesium Faceplate is black with the words "S-Works" and "Magnesium Faceplate" printed on it. The stems were included as original equipment on the following 2006 bicycles models: S-Works Tarmac, Tarmac Pro, S-Works Roubaix, Roubaix Pro, Allez Pro and S-Works Transition. It was also sold as an after market item under the name S-Works Advanced Composite Mag Road Stem.

Sold at: Authorized Specialized retailers from June 2005 through April 2006 as original equipment of the bicycle models referenced above or as an after market item for about $160.

Manufactured In: Taiwan

Remedy: Consumers should stop riding the bicycles that have the recalled stems immediately and take them to an authorized Specialized retailer for a free replacement faceplate.

Consumer Contact: For additional information, call Specialized at (877) 808-8154 between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. MT, Monday through Friday, or visit the company's Web site at www.Specialized.com

http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml06/06195.html
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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. To join a CPSC email subscription list, please go to www.cpsc.gov/cpsclist.aspx. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's Web site at www.cpsc.gov.