Injury alert: Recall of Infantino slingRider and Wendy Bellissimo sling infant carriers

Please post, distribute, and discuss with clients who are use soft infant carriers and slings

Health Canada, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, and Infantino LLC have issued a recall for the Infantino SlingRider and Wendy Bellisimo Infant Sling Carriers.

The Infantino SlingRider is a fabric carrier with a padded shoulder strap that is worn by parents and caregivers to carry an infant weighing up to 20 lbs. The problem with this product is that the fabric of the sling and adult's body can press against the infant's nose and mouth blocking breathing, thereby posing a risk of suffocation or asphyxiation.



There have been 3 reported infant deaths in the US attributed to the SlingRider. Health Canada has not received any reports of deaths or injuries related to the use of this product.

About 14,755 of the recalled sling carriers were sold in Canada through Babies "R" Us, Sears and Winners from January 2003 to March 2010. Products affected by this recall can be identified by the following item numbers:

Infant Carrier Name	Item Numbers
Infantino SlingRider	Beginning with: 141, 151,551,741,751,
Wendy Bellisimo	3937500H7, 3937501H7

Consumers who are using the SlingRider or Wendy Bellissimo infant sling with an infant under four months of age should stop using these carriers immediately and contact Infantino to return them and receive a free replacement product. Do not attempt to fix these carriers.

For more information, contact Infantino toll-free at 1-888-808-3111 or go to the firm's website at http://service.infantino.com/CanadianRecalls.html

For the full Health Canada advisory go to http://cpsr-rspc.hc-sc.gc.ca/PR-RP/recall-retrait-eng.jsp?re_id=1001

Please contact our office if you have any questions about child safety issues.

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