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SAFETY RECALL BRIEFING

At Burgoynes we frequently investigate fires involving white goods and electrical installation equipment where the cause is related to a manufacturing or design defect. A manufacturer who identifies a defect involving a certain product model or type in a given manufacturing batch or date range can issue a Repair Action or a Safety Recall.

Currently our fire investigators are experiencing fires resulting from the following Repair Action and Safety Recall-related issues:

Electrium

Some miniature circuit breakers (MCBs) manufactured by Electrium and sold under the brand names Wylex, Crabtree Loadstar, Volex, Steeple, Sector, Newlec and Alto can give rise to a risk of burning at a consumer unit or distribution board.

[http://www.esc.org.uk/industry/product-safety/recalls/recall/article/electrium-mcbs/Contacting the manufacturer](http://www.esc.org.uk/industry/product-safety/recalls/recall/article/electrium-mcbs/Contacting%20the%20manufacturer)

<http://www.mcbexchange.co.uk/electrium/>

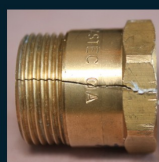
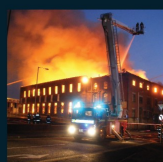
Bosch, Neff and Siemens

A Repair Action has been issued by Bosch in relation to a potential fire hazard involving a circuit board in some batches of dishwasher sold under the Bosch, Neff and Siemens brand names.

<http://www.repairaction.co.uk/bosch>

<http://www.repairaction.co.uk/neff>

<http://www.repairaction.co.uk/siemens>



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Hotpoint & Indesit

Hotpoint and Indesit have issued a safety notice in relation to some dishwashers where the failure of an electrical component can potentially lead to overheating and cause a fire.

<http://www.hotpointservice.co.uk/dishwasher-model-checker/>

Beko

A Safety Notice has been issued in respect of certain models of Beko branded frost free fridge freezers in which it may be possible for the defrost timer to fail, overheat and cause a potential fire hazard.

<http://refsafety.beko.co.uk/>

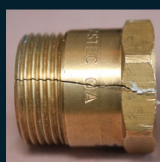
A further Safety Notice has been issued in respect of certain models of Beko 6kg and 7kg Condenser Tumble Dryers in which it may be possible for an electrical component to fail and overheat, leading to a potential risk of fire.

<http://dryersafety.beko.co.uk/>

Hoover

A Safety Notice has been issued in respect of certain models of frost free fridge freezer where it may be possible for a fault to develop on the defrost heater element, that can give rise to overheating and in certain circumstances this can result in a fire.

<http://www.hoover.co.uk/safety-notice/>



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White Knight

A Safety Notice has been issued in respect of certain Condenser Tumble Dryers in which a connector component not to White Knight's specification has been fitted. The component can overheat and if left unresolved could create a fire hazard over time.

<http://www.whiteknightrecall.co.uk/>

Morphy Richards

A Product Recall has been issued in respect of certain models of electric overblanket which can develop a fault that has the potential to cause it to overheat and catch fire.

<http://www.morphyrichards.co.uk/support/morphy-richards-support/product-recall.html>

Bush (sold by Argos) and Haier

Bush and Haier are recalling some of their washing machines because an electrical component on the control panel can overheat and this can potentially result in a fire.

<http://www.recalluk.com/recalls/product/bush-washing-machine-recall-2014.aspx?suf=mode-email>

<http://www.recalluk.com/recalls/product/haier-washing-machine-recall-2014.aspx?suf=mode-email>

The above issues relate only to certain models and batches of product, manufactured within a specific date range. However, claims handlers should be aware of the potential for there to be a subrogated claim against these manufacturers in certain cases.

Our case database allows us to collate fires involving a specific appliance types and trends can be identified sometimes before a manufacturer instigates a Safety Recall or Repair Action campaign. Instructing Burgoyne's in relation to the investigation of appliance fires comes with the benefit of this in-house knowledge.

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