



**PORT OF BUFFALO, NY**  
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**NOTICE**              Date: **06/14/10**

Subject: Subject: Procedural Changes for Shipments Detained Under Authority of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC)

Distribution: **Brokers, filers, importers, carriers and other interested parties**

Effective June 14, 2010 the U. S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) will implement the use of its detention authority provided for under the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008. In the absence of a U. S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) violation, CBP will no longer detain CPSC regulated products under 19 U.S.C. 1499, instead, CPSC will detain under its own authority and CBP will act as custodian of the merchandise.

Notices of detention will be issued by CPSC to the importer with copies to CBP and the Customs Broker. The notice will provide a description of the suspected violation, a citation of the statute governing the suspected violation, and contact information for the CPSC Officer. All concerns related to a CPSC detention should be addressed to the CPSC contact, and not to CBP.

In the event that a shipment is detained under both CBP and CPSC authority, detention notices will be issued by both agencies, and resolution will need to be sought with both agencies to obtain release of the shipment.

Additional information on this topic is available at the following internet sites:

1. To view a joint CBP-CPSC webinar on this topic go to:

[https://admin.acrobat.com/\\_a956619115/p97661992](https://admin.acrobat.com/_a956619115/p97661992)

2. To obtain a copy of the slides presented in the above referenced webinar go to:

Additional information on this topic is available at the following internet sites:

[http://cbp.gov/linkhandler/cgov/trade/trade\\_outreach/webinar\\_present/cpsc\\_webinar.ctt/cpsc\\_webinar.pdf](http://cbp.gov/linkhandler/cgov/trade/trade_outreach/webinar_present/cpsc_webinar.ctt/cpsc_webinar.pdf)

3. To access the Trade Outreach Webinar page of CBP's internet site go to:

[http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/trade\\_outreach/outreach\\_webinar.xml](http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/trade_outreach/outreach_webinar.xml)

For Further Information: Please call: Douglas Pinheiro, CPSC Compliance Investigator at (716) 648-9278 or

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission at (301) 504-7923 or Visit: [www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov)

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