



Safety Gate (RAPEX) Recall Report for Hardlines for Q3, 2019

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General information on Safety Gate

Safety Gate (Community Rapid Information System) system is used to exchange information on dangerous non-food consumer products between the Member States of the European Union and the European Commission on measures and action taken in relation to products posing a serious risk to the health and safety of consumers.

It was established according to General Product Safety Directive 2001/95/EC (GPSD) of the European Commission. The main objective of the Safety Gate system is to ensure that only safe products are placed on the market. It also facilitates the monitoring of the effectiveness and consistency of market surveillance and enforcement activities in the Member States.

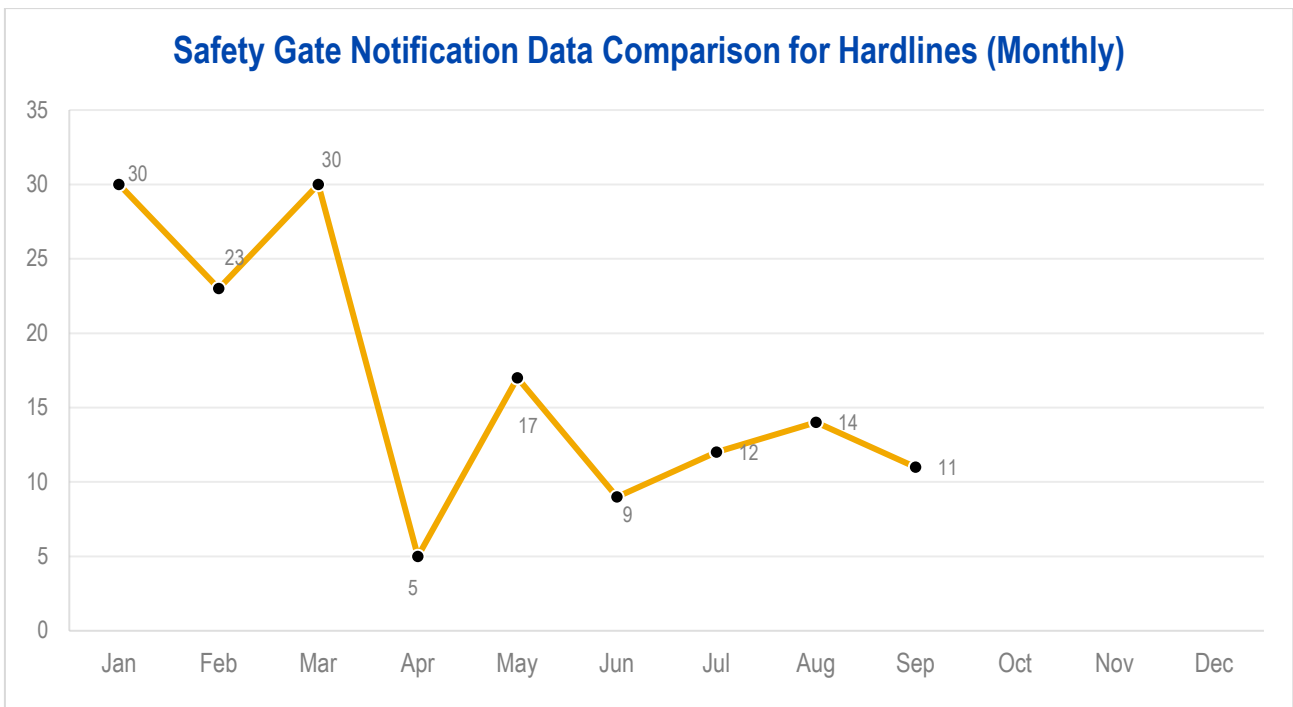
The European Commission publishes on the internet weekly overviews of products posing a serious risk and the measures taken to eliminate the risks.

Safety Gate is the new name for the previous RAPEX.

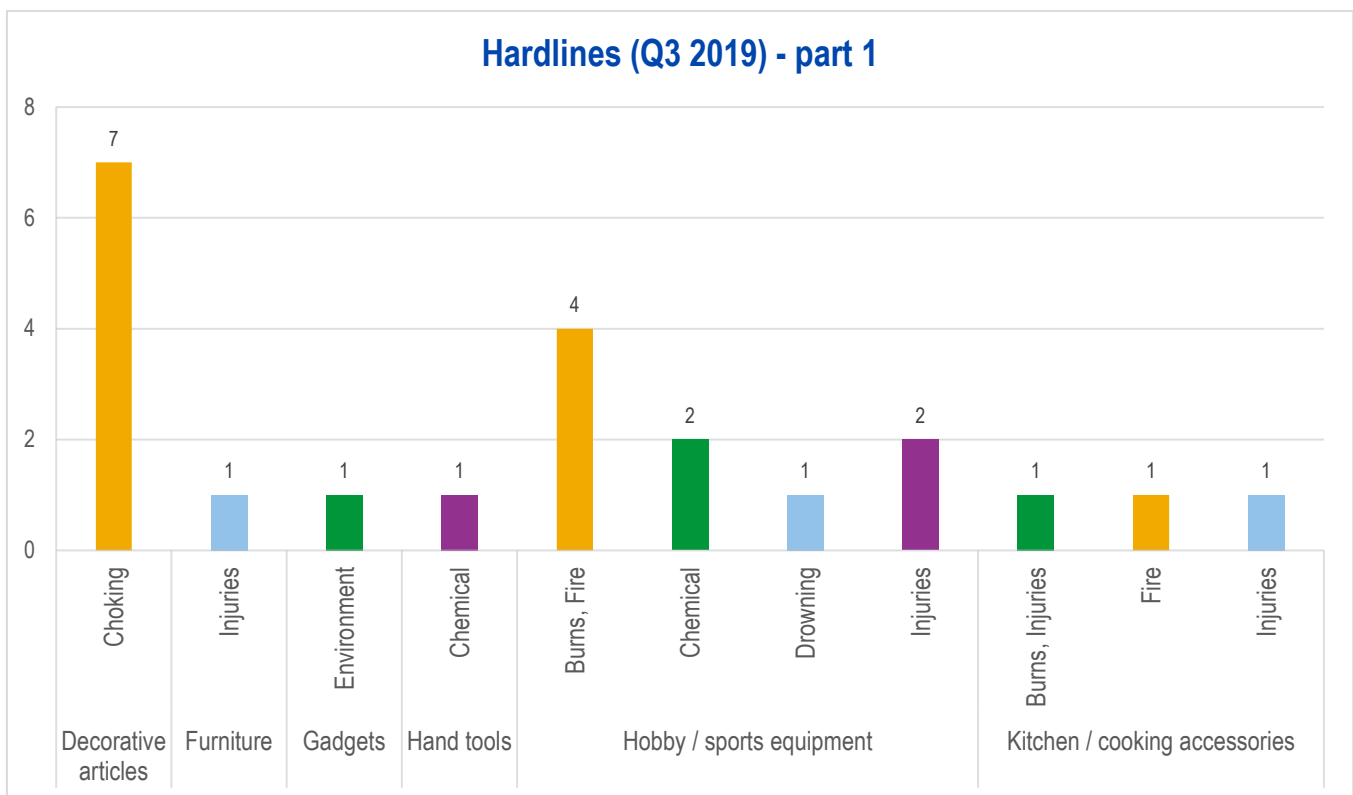


Safety Gate notification data comparison (Monthly)

| Recall Cases by Product Categories | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---------|-----|-----|---------|-----|-----|---------|-----|-----|---------|-----|-----|
| Product Line | Q1 2019 | | | Q2 2019 | | | Q3 2019 | | | Q4 2019 | | |
| | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC |
| Construction products | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | | | |
| Decorative articles | 6 | 1 | 4 | - | 4 | 2 | - | - | 7 | | | |
| Furniture | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | | | |
| Gadgets | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | | | |
| Hand tools | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | | | |
| Hobby / sports equipment | 14 | 8 | 22 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 5 | 1 | | | |
| Kitchen / cooking accessories | - | 2 | - | 1 | 3 | - | 2 | 1 | - | | | |
| Lighters | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 3 | - | 0 | 3 | 1 | | | |
| Protective equipment | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 | - | 4 | - | - | | | |
| Stationery | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | 2 | - | | | |
| Other | 4 | 4 | 1 | - | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | | | |

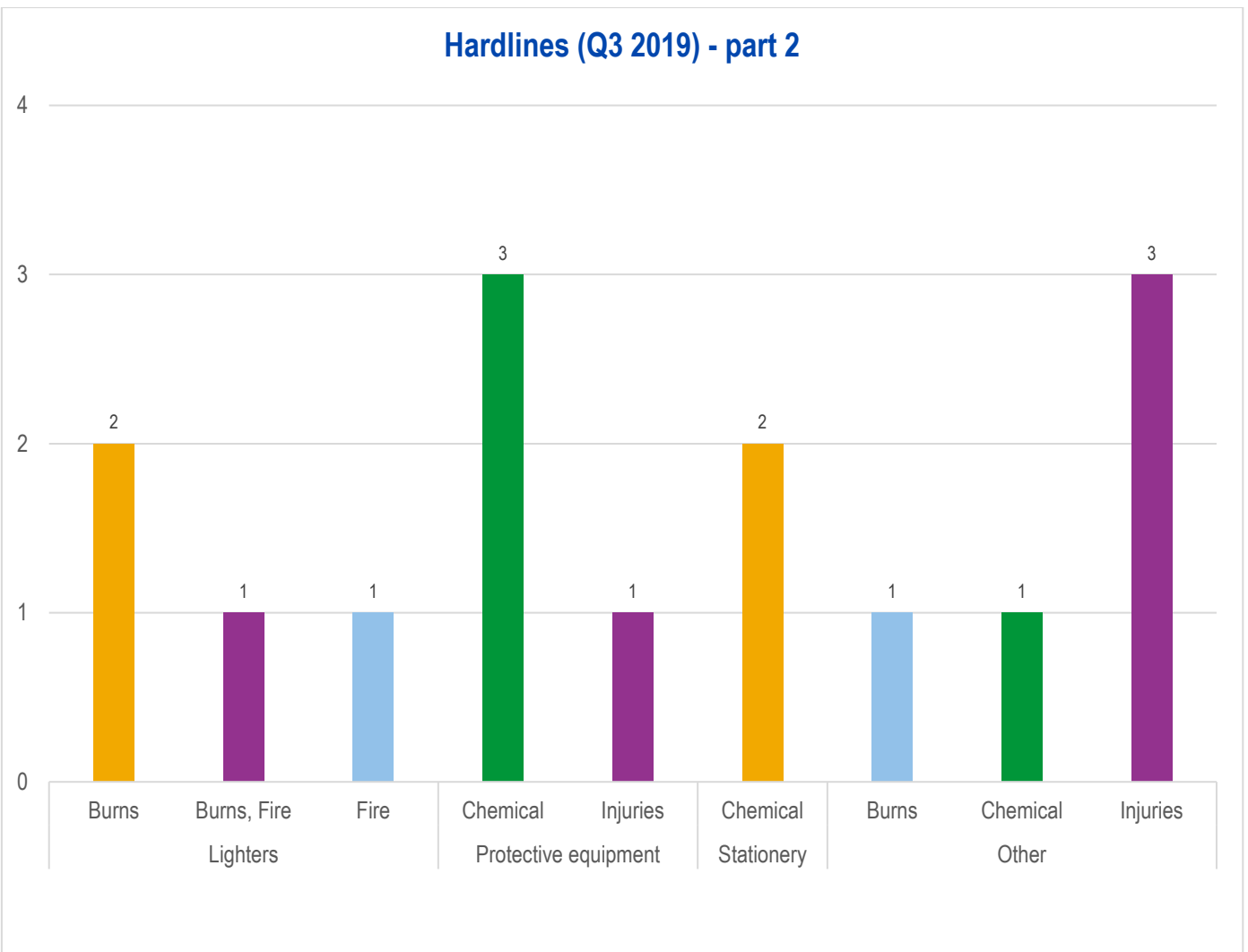


Types of Risks







Hardlines (Q3 2019) - part 2



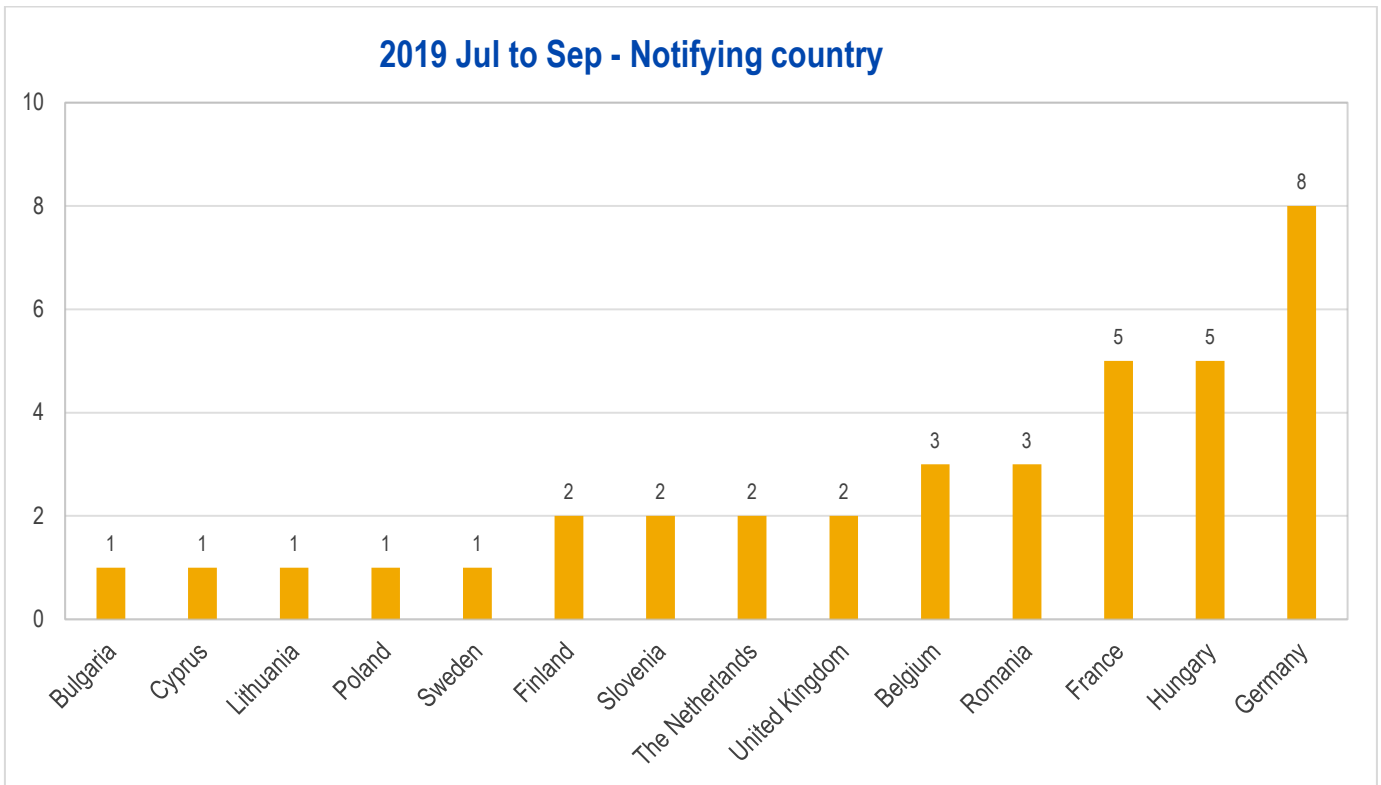


Recall Case Study – Hardlines

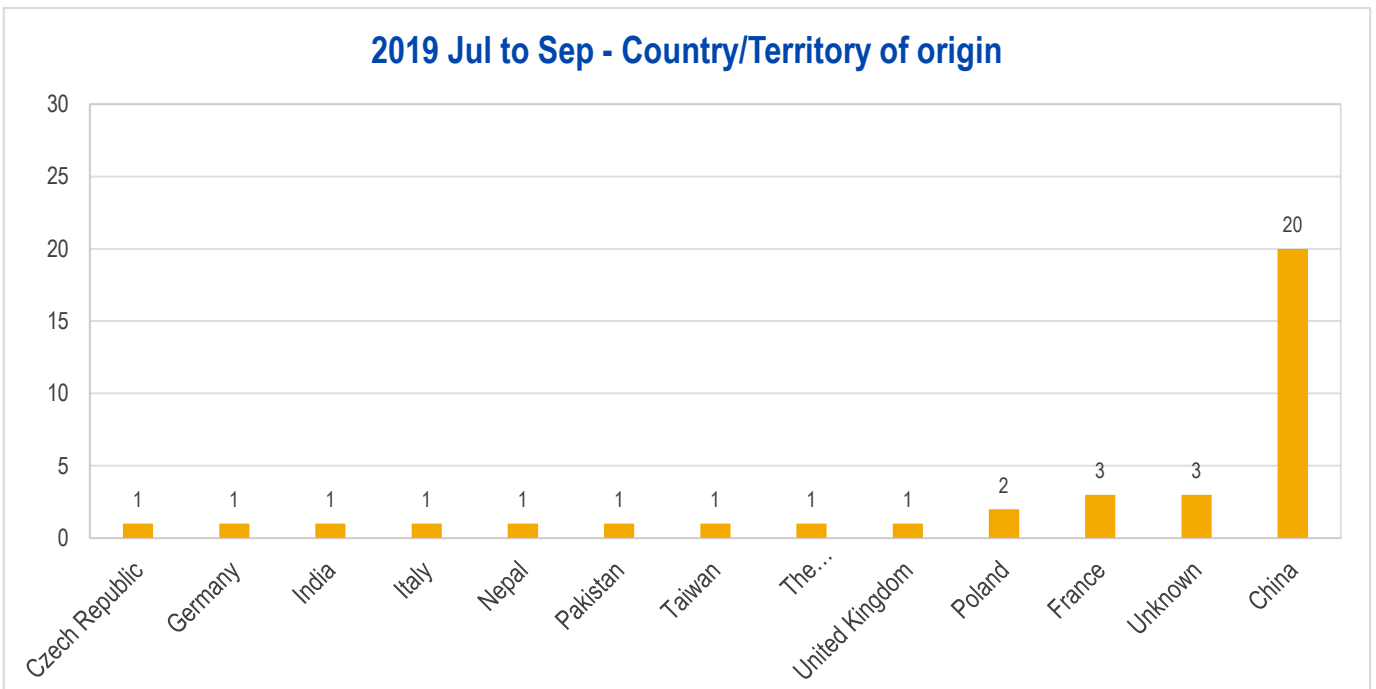
| Safety Gate Ref. No. | Product Description | Short Summary |
|----------------------------|---|--|
| <p>INFO/0106/19</p> | <p>Step Ladder</p> <p>Product category: Other</p>  | <p>Step ladder wrapped in plastic.</p> <p>Notifying countries: Slovenia</p> <p>Country of Origin: France</p> <p>Risk: Fire The plastic ladder feet can detach. Therefore, the user can lose balance and fall. The product does not comply with the relevant European Standard EN 131.</p> <p>Measure taken: Recall of the product from end users</p> |
| <p>A12/1259/19</p> | <p>Office chair</p> <p>Product category: Furniture</p>  | <p>Office chair in a cardboard box.</p> <p>Notifying countries: Lithuania</p> <p>Country of Origin: Poland</p> <p>Risk: Injuries The rolling resistance is too low. The chair can consequently easily overturn, leading to the user falling and suffering injuries. The product does not comply with the relevant European standard EN 1335.</p> <p>Measure taken: Withdrawal of the product from the market (To: Distributor)</p> |



Notifying Country



Country/Territory of Origin



* Any territory of a country mentioned here will be marked with an asterisk (*)



Reference Links

- **Weekly Safety Gate report:**
https://ec.europa.eu/consumers/consumers_safety/safety_products/rapex/alerts/?event=main.listNotifications&lng=en
- **List of Safety Gate contact points:**
https://ec.europa.eu/consumers/consumers_safety/safety_products/rapex/alerts/repository/content/pages/rapex/docs/rapex_appointed_authorities_en.pdf
- **Guideline for management of Safety Gate:**
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