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No.

MAYTAG®, JENN-AIR®, AMANA®, ADMIRAL®, MAGIC CHEF®, PERFORMA BY MAYTAG® AND CROSLEY® BRAND REFRIGERATORS RECALLED DUE TO FIRE HAZARD

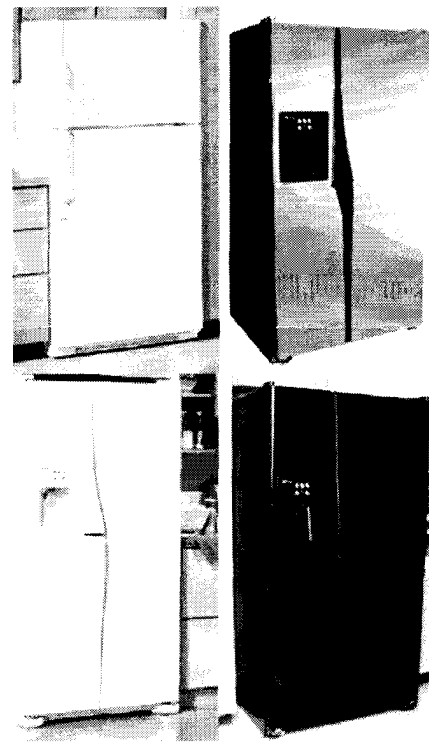
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The Office of the Fire Marshal is notifying the public that on March 10, 2009, Maytag Corporation announced a voluntary recall of various refrigerator models. An electrical failure in the relay, which is the component that turns on the refrigerator's compressor, can cause overheating and pose a serious fire hazard.

The number of affected units is approximately 65,000 in Ontario and 193,500 in Canada. The refrigerators were sold by department/appliance stores and homebuilders nationwide between January 2001 and January 2004.

Two incidents (with no injuries) were reported in Canada. Outside of Canada, Maytag received 41 reports of refrigerator relay ignition, including 16 reports of property damage ranging from smoke damage to extensive kitchen damage.

The recall involves certain **Maytag®**, **Jenn-Air®**, **Amana®**, **Admiral®**, **Magic Chef®**, **Performa by Maytag®** and **Crosley®** brand side-by-side and top-freezer refrigerators that were made in the United States. Refrigerators with freezers on the bottom are NOT affected by this recall. The affected refrigerators were manufactured in black, bisque, white and stainless steel.



Top-Freezer and Side-by-Side Models



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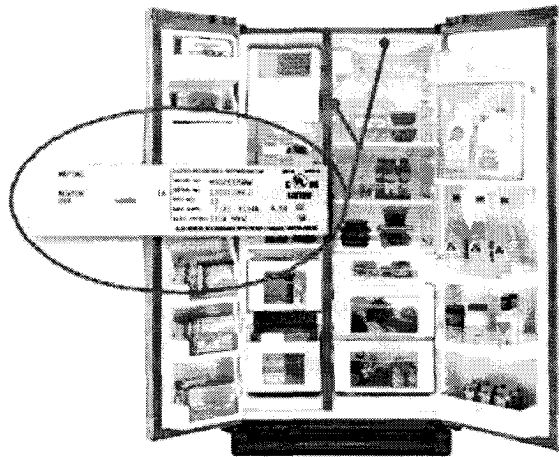
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The table below lists the model and serial number combinations of the refrigerators being recalled.

	Serial Numbers ENDING with	AND Model Numbers BEGINNING with
Side-by-Side Refrigerators	AA, AC, AE, AG, AJ, AL, AN, AP, AR, AT, AV, AX, CA, CC, CE, CG, CJ, CL, ZB, ZD, ZF, ZH, ZK, ZM, ZQ, ZS, ZU, ZW, ZY, ZZ	ARS, CS, JC, JS, MS, MZ, PS
Top-Freezer Refrigerators	AA, AC, AE, AG, AJ, AL, AN, AP, AR, AT, AV, AX, ZK, ZM, ZQ, ZS, ZU, ZW, ZY, ZZ	AT, CT, MT, PT

The model and serial numbers are printed on a label located on the top middle or upper left side of the refrigerator liner.



Model and Serial Numbers Label Locations

Consumers who have one of the recalled Maytag models or who are unsure whether their Maytag refrigerator is one of the recalled models should immediately call Maytag at 1-866-533-9817 (toll free) to obtain more information and/or schedule a free in-home repair. For more information on the recall, contact Maytag by calling the telephone number above or by visiting their Web site at www.repair.maytag.com.

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