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## **Pacific Cycle Recalls Children's Trailer Bicycles; Can Detach from Adult Bicycle and Injure Children**

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with the firm named below, today announced a voluntary recall of the following consumer product. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed. (To access color photos of the following recalled products, see CPSC's Web site at [www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov).)

**Names of Products:** InStep "Pathfinder," Schwinn "Run About," and Mongoose "Alley Cat" Trailer Bicycles  
**Units:** About 7,000

**Manufacturer:** Pacific Cycle Inc., of Madison, Wis.

**Hazard:** The coupler connecting the children's trailer bike to the adult's bicycle has welds that can fail, posing a fall hazard to children.

**Incidents/Injuries:** Pacific Cycle has received one report of the coupler failing, resulting in a fall and abrasions to the rider.

**Description:** The "Pathfinder," "Run About," and "Alley Cat" are single-wheeled, children's bicycles that connect to an adult's bicycle by a coupler. The recall includes model numbers: 12-PF250, 13-SC250, 13-SC350 and M5101. The model number is located on the lower seat tube of the frame. The affected couplers have welded plates; bicycles that have couplers with cast parts are not included in this recall.

**Sold at:** Bicycle stores and retailers nationwide from January 2007 through August 2007 for between \$80 and \$120.

**Manufactured in:** China

**Remedy:** Consumers should stop using the trailer bicycle immediately and contact the firm for a free repair kit.

**Consumer Contact:** For additional information, contact Pacific Cycle toll-free at (877) 564-2261 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. CT Monday through Friday, or visit [www.instep.net](http://www.instep.net), [www.schwinnbikes.com](http://www.schwinnbikes.com), or [www.mongoose.com](http://www.mongoose.com).



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