**Issue**

Energy Safe Victoria is warning Victorians not to use or purchase banned butane canister or ‘lunchbox’ cookers due to concerns they may overheat, catch fire or explode.

Gas regulators have identified specific models of portable butane canister ‘lunchbox’ cookers that do not meet relevant Australian Standards. A list of affected models has been sourced from Energy Safe Victoria, see table below.

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) are working with gas regulators around Australia to recall these models and stop their sale. Affected portable butane canister ‘lunchbox’ cookers have had their certificates of conformance withdrawn.



**Factors / Risks to consider**

* The use of butane canister or ‘lunchbox’ cookers may explode if they over heat
* Testing undertaken by State gas regulators found a fault with the cookers’ shut-off valves posing a risk the devices may overheat and could explode
* If these devices malfunction they can potentially cause serious injury.

**Recommendations/Action required**

1. **Remove banned butane canister ‘lunchbox’ cookers from DET schools:**
* DET workplaces are **not to purchase or use** banned portable butane canister ’lunchbox’ cookers
* **Immediately dispose** of existing banned models of portable butane canister ‘lunchbox’ cookers in a safe manner through the general waste
* Contact the DET OHS Advisory Service for further information and advice on Ph. **1300 074 715 or email** **safety@edumail.vic.gov.au**if required.
1. **OHS Management**

The DET **OHS Management System** (OHSMS) procedures help identify and manage risks associated with the purchase of equipment.

* Use the [OHS Purchasing Checklist](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/school/principals/management/ohspurchasingchecklist.docx) to identify potential hazards for the product being considered. If a hazard is identified:
	+ use the [Task Based Risk Management Form](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/school/principals/management/taskbasedriskmgtform.docx) **Appendix A** to help identify the specific hazards in the task and document the controls put in place
	+ use [Safe Work Procedure Template](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/school/principals/management/safeworkproceduretemplate.doc) to document both (a) clear instructions and procedures for safe use and (b) persons deemed competent to use the equipment.
* Update school’s [OHS Risk Register](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/school/principals/management/ohsriskregister.xlsx) to identify hazards and record controls implemented to manage the risk.

**Further information**

The DET’s [Occupational Health and Safety Management System](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/management/Pages/ohsmgtsystem.aspx) provide policies and procedures for managing dangerous goods in the workplace.

For further assistance contact the OHS Advisory Service on 1300 074 715 or email safety@edumail.vic.gov.au.

**Acknowledgement**

Energy Safe Victoria

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Product Safety Recalls Australia

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| **UNCERTIFIED PRODUCTS – DON’T USE** |
| **Brands** | **Model number** |
| Home Essentials, Red Stone, My Collection, Bai Hui | BDZ-168BDZ-163S |
| Five StarGasmate | MS-2000Plus MS-2000 |
| GasmateGasmasterJumbuckJackerooExcaliburAdventure RidgeBuy Right | PC1060, KPC1060, MPC1060, PC1065, JPC1065 PC1070, PC1075, PC2070, KPC2070, MPC2070, AR2070, PC2075, BBC2075, PC2080 |
| Campmaster, Red Centre, Grillrite, Rough It, Fiesta, Falcon, Wild Country, Festiva,Campers Collection, Spinifex, Oztrail, Roman, Progaz, Escape and Gas Craft | \*\*2150, \*\*2250, \*\*2250SP, \*\*2160, \*\*2160S              (\*\* = customer code) |
| Campmaster, Kookaburra, Grillpro, Topstove, Fiesta, Falcon, Wild Country, Freetime, Festiva, The Stove, Sunshine, Campers Collection, Oztrail, Roman, Progaz, Escape & Gas Craft | CM2100, CM2200, STO990, ST7000, FT2100, FT2200, ST1, ST2 |
| Campmaster, Kookaburra, Grillpro, Topstove, Fiesta, Falcon, Wild Country, Freetime, Festiva, The Stove, Sunshine, Campers Collection, Oztrail, Roman, Progaz, Escape, Gas Craft & Spinifex | \*\*2170\* & \*\*2270\*           (\*\* = customer code) |
| Auscrown, Wild Country Handy Range | AD90 |
| U-Bute Traveller | U-Bute Traveller |
| Jackeroo | PL-121 |
| Adventuridge | 509245 |
| Companion | COMP523 |
| House Brand | 509245 |
| Kookaburra | ST0990 |
| Primus | 2240 |
| Primus | 2271 |
| Primus | TLB-102L |
| Red Desert | 509230 |
| Spinifex | 7027612 |
| Spinifex | 90024574 |