

MEDICAL DEVICE SAFETY NOTICE

Scooter Sungift 500 IMB Safety Notice: SN2006(04)

MANUFACTURER / SUPPLIER

Sungift PLC

TARGET GROUPS

HSE Network Managers
Public Health Nurses
Irish Wheelchair Association
Age Action
Irish Arthritis Association
Cheshire Foundation
CRC
Enable Ireland
Friedreichs Ataxia Society Ireland
MS Society Ireland
Muscular Dystrophy Ireland
Post Polio Support Group
Centre for Independent Living

ISSUE

Recall of the Sungift 500 battery powered scooters.

BACKGROUND

The Sungift 500 scooter is a battery powered mobility scooter for people with impaired mobility. During the investigation of an incident in Norway it was found that a risk of overheating of the battery wire in the Sungift 500 scooter can result in a fire. As a result of this incident Sungift 500 scooters have been withdrawn from the Norwegian market.

The manufacturer of these devices Sungift PLC no longer exists and therefore the Irish Medicines Board (IMB) has not been able to establish if these devices have been sold in Ireland.

The IMB is not aware of any similar incidents occurring in Ireland at this time.

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ACTION OR RECOMMENDATIONS

Examine the scooters you have in your stock to determine if you have any Sungift 500 scooters. If you find one of these devices stop using it immediately, take it out of service and advise the Irish Medicines Board.

ENQUIRIES

All adverse incidents relating to a medical device should be reported to the:

Irish Medicines Board
Medical Devices Department
Kevin O'Malley House
Earlsfort Centre
Earlsfort Terrace
Dublin 2

If you have any enquiries, you may contact the Medical Devices Department at:

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