

C. & E. Fein GmbH information notice – Recall of core drills

IMMEDIATE HALT IN OPERATION AND SALE for the KBC 35/JMC USA 90 and KBB 60/JHM USA 5 core drills, later KBB 60 X/JHM USA 5 X, and spare parts no. 30610055000, no. 31508314030 and no. 32498611010.

From 2021, the legal framework regarding the use of certain hazardous substances in the electrical and electronic device market in Europe will be tightened. The safety of our products and the satisfaction of our customers are of the utmost importance to us as a quality power tool manufacturer.

We have therefore undertaken a comprehensive review to ensure conformity with the upcoming requirements. Over the course of this review, we have established that a sealing ring containing a type of asbestos was used in the aforementioned core drills from the brands FEIN, Slugger and Slugger by FEIN (hereafter "machines"). Spare parts with the numbers 30610055000 and 32498611010 (seals) and the assembly 31508314030 are also concerned.

Asbestos fibres may be released when using the machines. This is the case in particular if the affected sealing ring breaks, is corroded or is abraded. Asbestos is harmful to health and, under certain circumstances, can cause cancer.

In acknowledgement of our responsibility towards you, the use of the aforementioned machines and spare parts has therefore been halted for any operation, repairs, maintenance and sale with immediate effect. We are recalling all of the aforementioned core drills and spare parts concerned on the market.

The machines and spare parts concerned can be clearly identified using the model designation and the serial number. To facilitate the identification and safe return of machines and spare parts for you, we have set up a website available at the following link www.feinus.com/magdrill_care. This website also has the **safety notice** required by law.

Specifically, this safety notice has the following significance for you:

- 1. The aforementioned machines must no longer be operated, used, repaired, serviced or sold.**
- 2. All affected machines must be collected immediately, taped around the sealing area concerned with commercially available, reinforced fabric adhesive tape and stored in protected, sealed containers, such as the original case. IMPORTANT: It is imperative that this is done whilst wearing protective gloves and a respiratory dust protection mask (type FFP3). These can be purchased at hardware stores or on online portals. After use, these are to be stored together with the machine in the protected, sealed containers. Do not under any circumstances open the machine housing yourself. If you do not have**

suitable storage facilities or cannot separate the affected machines, please contact us immediately.

- 3. Please pass on this safety notice to anyone you know who has an affected machine in their possession. If you have resold a machine that was potentially affected, we are happy to contact these persons directly if you send us the relevant contact details without delay.**

Please complete the contact form on our website in full by Friday, 28th February 2020.

- 4. The affected machines, spare parts and assemblies – packed together with the protective gloves and respiratory dust protection masks you have used – will be collected free of charge from your premises by a logistics company commissioned by FEIN and taken for further testing.**
- 5. As an owner of the affected machines or spare parts, you will receive either a refund of the purchase price or a higher-value replacement device from us. You can also find the details about this at www.feinus.com/magdrill_care.**

We are happy to help with any further queries regarding the recall process and compensation possibilities via the following points of contact.

E-mail: magdrill_care_us@fein.com

Hotline: 18882971276

FEIN deeply regrets the quality issues that have arisen and sincerely apologises to you and all affected users.