

Nestlé Purina PetCare recalls *Star Wars* cat collars

February 20 2020: Nestlé Purina Petcare today announced the immediate recall of *Star Wars* cat collars, due to the possibility of injury to cats.

The collars are being recalled because cats may catch their claws on the edge of the collar, causing it to fray. The frayed collar may cause injury to the cat.

The cat collars can be identified by the distinctive *Star Wars* fabric sewn onto the black collar. The collar comes in two *Star Wars* designs, both of which have a bell and a quick release clasp.

The cat collars were sold in Woolworths, Big W and pet speciality stores from late 2019.

Nestlé Purina PetCare General Manager Nicole Battistessa said that anyone who had purchased a *Star Wars* cat collar should return it to the place of purchase for a full refund.

“We want to apologise to cat owners for the inconvenience this causes, but encourage you to keep your cat safe by removing this collar immediately,” she said.

“The safety of pets is our first priority. As soon as we became aware of the issue we took steps to conduct a recall and notified all relevant retailers,” Ms Battistessa said.

Ms Battistessa confirmed that other Purina PetCare products with *Star Wars* designs are not affected by the recall.

Any cat owner who is concerned about their cat should seek veterinary advice.

Cat owners seeking more information can contact the Purina PetCare Advice Centre on 1800 738 238 or via www.purina.com.au/contact-us.

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