



## Recall Alert - A-2006-OR-BJCPQA-0101

### U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

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## CPSC, Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A. Announce Recall of Utility Vehicles

The following product safety recall was voluntarily conducted by the firm in cooperation with the CPSC. Consumers should stop using the product immediately unless otherwise instructed.

**Name of Product:** Kawasaki 2005-2006 model year Mule 600 Utility Vehicles

**Units:** About 15,200

**Distributor:** Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A., of Irvine, Calif.

**Hazard:** The steering knuckle can twist or break from wheel forces transmitted to the steering system during operation. This can cause a loss of steering control and possible collapse of the front suspension, posing a risk of incident or injury to the operator or passenger.

**Incidents/Injuries:** Kawasaki has received 24 reports of the knuckle cracking or breaking. No injuries have been reported.

**Description:** The recall involves Kawasaki 2005-2006 model year KAF400 Mule 600 Utility Vehicles. These models are off-road utility vehicles available in red, green, or camouflage livery. They have "Kawasaki" on the side of the cargo bed and "Mule" on the side of the front cowling.

**Sold by:** Kawasaki Utility dealers nationwide from November 2004 through December 2005 for between \$5,900 and \$7,100

**Manufactured In:** United States

**What to Do:** Consumers with recalled utility vehicles were sent direct notice from Kawasaki. Consumers should stop using these vehicles immediately and contact a local Kawasaki Utility dealer to schedule an appointment for a free repair.

**Consumer Contact:** For more information, consumers can call Kawasaki Customer Service toll-free at (866) 802-9381 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. PT Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's Web site at [www.kawasaki.com](http://www.kawasaki.com)