

## PRODUCT RECALL

Dear Business Partner,

RWS GmbH is currently conducting a recall of 9x17 cattle stunning cartridges. There have been cases of overloaded cartridges, which in the worst case could damage the launching device and result in a sudden release of hot gases. The release of hot gases at the locking mechanism or break points of the firing device could in turn lead to **serious injuries**, particularly to the hands.

All products bearing the specified item numbers **must no longer be placed on the market and/or used**. Buyers and users of these items are asked to return them to their retailer as soon as possible. The purchase price will get refunded. **Please inform others about this recall, especially if you know anyone to whom the recalled product was offered, lent, or sold**. The following items with the corresponding batch/lot numbers are affected:

- Kerbl-item number 21202 (RWS:2317425): RWS cattle stunning cartridges 9mm YELLOW
- Kerbl-item number 21201 (RWS: 2317426): RWS cattle stunning cartridges 9mm GREEN
- Kerbl-item number 21203 (RWS: 2317427): RWS cattle stunning cartridges 9mm RED
- Kerbl-item number 21204 (RWS: 2317428): RWS cattle stunning cartridges 9mm BLUE



- Item number 2317421: BLITZ and KERNER livestock stunning cartridges 9mm YELLOW
- Item number 2317422: BLITZ and KERNER livestock stunning cartridges 9mm GREEN
- Item number 2317423: BLITZ and KERNER livestock stunning cartridges 9mm RED
- Item number 2317424: BLITZ and KERNER livestock stunning cartridges 9mm BLUE



The following applies to the eight items produced between 2018 and 2023, and listed above: The batch/lot number is four digits long and alphanumeric, consisting of two digits followed by two letters. An example: "46MQ".

You will find the batch/lot number either on the back of the product packaging or, in the case of some older packs, on the inside of the lid.

Further to those old batches, new production from 2024 and 2025 (in new, black boxes) are affected as well

- Item number 2430664: RWS livestock stunning cartridges 9x17 RED DO 50
- Item number 2430665: RWS livestock stunning cartridges 9x17 YELLOW DO 50
- Item number 2430666: RWS livestock stunning cartridges 9x17 BLUE DO 50
- Item number 2430667: RWS livestock stunning cartridges 9x17 GREEN DO 50



The following applies to the 4 RWS items listed above:

The batch/lot number is 10 digits long and is also alphanumeric. It always begins with the letter sequence DAG. An example: DAG24K5950.



As a general rule, the item number is always a 7-digit number starting with a "2". You will find this either on the front of the packaging or, in the case of some older packs, on the back of the packaging.

**Please check your stock of affected products as soon as possible and stop using the product immediately.** Store the product securely and separately from other substances in accordance with applicable dangerous goods regulations (ADR, GHS/CLP). Mark affected units with the note "Recall – do not use!".

Please **also inform any customers of your company** about the contents of this letter if they have purchased the relevant items from you. If you have a retail outlet, we would also ask you to print out the warning, which is also attached in PDF format, and **display it in a clearly visible place within your sales premises.**

Please fill out the enclosed consignment note. In case you don't have any stock, please not "0". Please send it to [qualitaetsmanagement@kerbl.com](mailto:qualitaetsmanagement@kerbl.com) or to your regular contact person at Kerbl. Please return these to your dealer carriage forward including proof of the shipping costs incurred, observing the following safety instructions:

Please use an approved and labelled dangerous goods box for dispatch. If the packaging has been opened, please ensure that the cartridges cannot come into contact with one another by using packing material. Please also observe the requirements regarding means of transport and labelling obligations for dangerous goods (if you have any specific questions, please contact us using the contact details below).

Additional information required for the transport of dangerous goods:

UN 0323  
Cartridges for technical purposes

Classification: 1.4S Transport  
category: 4 Tunnel code: E  
Net explosive mass: Please refer to the packaging  
The consignment may be carried out in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 1.1.3.6 of the ADR.

Please send the relevant items to the following address:  
Reference: Rückruf «RWS» 9x17 Viehbetäubungskartuschen

Albert Kerbl GmbH  
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84539 Ampfing  
Deutschland

We would like to thank you for your understanding and your active cooperation.

With kind regards  
**Albert Kerbl GmbH**

**Our alternative to affected cattle stunning cartridges:**

Due to incidents involving RWS cartridges, Kerbl stopped selling RWS cartridges in 2024 and selling cartridges brand MaxxTech since:

- **21205 cattle stunning cartridges 9x17 green, 50pcs**
- **21206 cattle stunning cartridges 9x17 yellow, 50pcs**
- **21208 cattle stunning cartridges 9x17 red, 50pcs 50**



Please download further information from following link: <https://dam.kerbl.com/s/MSUKInFN>  
Webpage: <https://www.kerbl.com/en/product/cartridges-for-captive-bolt-devices/998139/990474>

The manufacturer of MaxxTech cartridges, Pobjeda Technology, drawing on over 70 years of ammunition-manufacturing expertise, delivers precision and reliability under its trusted brand MaxxTech. Built to the highest quality standards, MaxxTech's cattle-stunning cartridges provide consistent, humane and efficient performance in livestock handling. With Pobjeda's deep experience, advanced manufacturing and adherence to ISO 9001 and C.I.P. standards, MaxxTech is the professional's dependable choice.

The manufacturer of Blitz Kerner cattle stunner, Turbocut, trusts on MaxxTech cartridges as well and recommends them for use in its devices.

Your advantages:

1. **Not affected by product recall**
2. Constant, certified quality
3. **In stock**
4. Good value for money