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## IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE TO CONSUMERS

**June 14, 2016**

Dear Customer:

In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, STIHL Incorporated is recalling all model HSA 65 battery-powered hedge trimmers. This model was sold throughout the United States by authorized STIHL dealers. STIHL Incorporated's records indicate that an HSA 65 hedge trimmer was registered in your name.

### REASON FOR THE RECALL

The potential problem concerns the hedge trimmer's electronics, and can result in the machine operating faster than expected, with the blades continuing to move briefly after the trigger is released, and in some cases the hedge trimmer may operate by depressing either the trigger or the front handle switch. These conditions present a potential laceration hazard, although no injuries have been reported to STIHL Incorporated.

The hedge trimmers can be identified by the model number of HSA 65 located on the side of the battery compartment between the trigger and the loop handle. An image of the HSA 65 is shown below. No other STIHL models or products are subject to this recall.



**You should discontinue use of your STIHL HSA 65 battery-powered hedge trimmer** and take it to an authorized STIHL dealer. The dealer will exchange HSA 65 machines with the HSA 66 at no cost to you. Please keep any batteries, chargers, and other accessories you have for your HSA 65 battery-powered hedge trimmer as they can be used with the HSA 66 hedge trimmer you will receive.

If you have any questions regarding this recall, please contact STIHL Incorporated at 1-800-610-6677 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. eastern time Monday through Friday, visit our website at [www.stihlusa.com](http://www.stihlusa.com), or e-mail [stihlrecall@stihl.us](mailto:stihlrecall@stihl.us).

We take seriously the safety of the people who buy and use STIHL products. We apologize for any inconvenience this recall may cause you.

Sincerely,  
STIHL Incorporated