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DLCA WARNS OF FABULOSO RECALL

(U.S. Virgin Islands) – The Commissioner of the Department of Licensing and Consumer Affairs, Mr. Richard T. Evangelista, Esq. advises the public that Colgate-Palmolive is recalling 4.9 million bottles of its Fabuloso multi-purpose cleaning liquid because the products might be contaminated with bacteria.

According to a recall notice posted Wednesday, February 8, 2023, by the Consumer Product Safety Commission, the recalled cleaners were sold nationwide from December 2022 through January 2023. Stores carrying Fabuloso include major retailers like Walmart, Sam's Club, Dollar General, and Family Dollar. Locally, Fabuloso is sold throughout the United States Virgin Islands by almost every business with a retailer license. DLCA is ordering all retailers throughout the Territory to check the lot code and UPC code of its inventory and pull the product off its shelves and refrain from selling any affected products immediately.

The brightly colored liquids, which cost between \$1 and \$11, are marketed for cleaning various home, kitchen, and bathroom surfaces. According to the notice, the recalled cleaners could contain *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and *Pseudomonas fluorescens*, bacteria commonly found in soil and water. Back in Oct. 2022, cleaners were because of the same bacteria.

The germs can enter the body through wounds, eyes, and lungs, posing a risk of serious infection to people with weakened immune systems, lung conditions, or external medical devices. According to CPSC and the company, people with healthy immune systems usually aren't at risk. According to Colgate-Palmolive's webpage for the recall, a preservative wasn't added at the correct levels during the manufacturing process. Without enough preservatives, bacteria could grow in the cleaners.

Which Fabuloso products are being recalled?

The recall includes various sizes, strengths, and scents of Fabuloso Multi-Purpose Cleaning Liquid, listed below. The company said no antibacterial Fabuloso products are being recalled, and no products outside of the following list:

- Fabuloso Original Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Lavender Scent, 22 FL OZ
- Fabuloso Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Lavender Scent, 56 FL OZ, 128 FL OZ, 169 FL OZ
- Fabuloso Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Lavender Scent, 210 FL OZ



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- Fabuloso Professional All-Purpose Cleaner & Degreaser, Lavender Scent, 1 GALLON
- Fabuloso Original Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Refreshing Lemon Scent, 22 FL OZ
- Fabuloso Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Refreshing Lemon Scent, 33.8 FL OZ, 56 FL OZ, 128 FL OZ and 169 FL OZ
- Fabuloso Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Passion of Fruits Scent, 33.8 FL OZ, 56 FL OZ, 128 FL OZ and 169 FL OZ
- Fabuloso Multi-Purpose Cleaner Bleach Alternative 2X Concentrated Formula, Spring Fresh Scent, 56 FL OZ
- Fabuloso Professional All-Purpose Cleaner & Degreaser, Ocean Scent, 1 GALLON

Colgate-Palmolive said any Fabuloso product you bought before Dec. 16, 2022, isn't included in the recall; nor are any products not on the list above. You can confirm whether your bottle is included by checking its lot code and UPC against the list on [fabuloso.com/recall](https://www.fabuloso.com/recall).

How to get a refund if you have a recalled Fabuloso product

The company said you should immediately stop using it. To get a refund, you'll need to fill out an [online consumer recall form](#) and submit photos of the UPC and lot code. Then throw the bottle away.

For consumer-related issues, you may email DLCA at consumerawareness@dlca.vi.gov or call the Consumer Affairs Division at 340.713.3522 on St. Croix, 340.714.3522 on St. Thomas, or St. John at 340.693.8036. Follow us on Facebook at @dlcausvi.

Lavender Scent	UPC #
Fabuloso® Original Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Lavender Scent, 16.9 OZ + 30% Free Bonus Pack (22 FL OZ)	035000995025
Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Lavender Scent, 56 FL OZ	035000530325
Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Lavender Scent, 128 FL OZ	035000530585
Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Lavender Scent, 169 FL OZ	035000531223
Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Lavender Scent, 210 FL OZ	035000531230
Fabuloso® Professional All Purpose Cleaner & Degreaser, Lavender Scent, 1 GALLON	035110043074
Refreshing Lemon Scent	
Fabuloso® Original Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Refreshing Lemon Scent, 16.9 OZ + 30% Free Bonus Pack (22 FL OZ)	035000995018
Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Refreshing Lemon Scent, 33.8 FL OZ	035000974716
Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Refreshing Lemon Scent, 56 FL OZ	035000470416
Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Refreshing Lemon Scent, 128 FL OZ	035000973542
Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Refreshing Lemon Scent, 169 FL OZ	035000969873
Passion of Fruits Scent	
Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Passion of Fruits Scent, 33.8 FL OZ	035000530981
Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Passion of Fruits Scent, 56 FL OZ	035000530301
Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Passion of Fruits Scent, 128 FL OZ	035000530608
Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Passion of Fruits Scent, 169 FL OZ	035000458162

Spring Fresh Scent	
Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner Bleach Alternative 2X Concentrated Formula, Spring Fresh Scent, 56 FL OZ	035000530998
Ocean Scent	
Fabuloso® Professional All Purpose Cleaner & Degreaser, Ocean Scent, 1 GALLON	035110043739

The impacted batches in the above chart will have a manufacturing (lot) code where the first 8 digits begin with 2348US78 through 2365US78 and 3001US78 through 3023US78. Any manufacturing (lot) code containing an “MX” is not part of the recall and is safe to use.

For U.S. Consumers - Non-Impacted Products

Lavender Scent - Non-Impacted
Fabuloso® Original Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Lavender Scent, 16.5 FL OZ
Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Lavender Scent, 16.9 FL OZ
Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Lavender Scent, 28 FL OZ
Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Lavender Scent, 33.8 FL OZ
Refreshing Lemon Scent - Non-Impacted
Fabuloso® Original Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Refreshing Lemon Scent, 16.5 FL OZ
Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Refreshing Lemon Scent, 16.9 FL OZ
Passion of Fruits Scent - Non-Impacted
Fabuloso® Original Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Passion of Fruits Scent, 16.5 FL OZ
Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Passion of Fruits Scent, 16.9 FL OZ
Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Passion of Fruits Scent, 28 FL OZ
Citrus & Fruits with Baking Soda Scent - Non-Impacted
Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Citrus & Fruits with Baking Soda Scent, 28 FL OZ

Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Citrus & Fruits with Baking Soda Scent, 56 FL OZ

Tropical Scent - Non-Impacted - Non-Impacted

Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Tropical Spring, 56 FL OZ

Orange with Baking Soda Scent - Non-Impacted

Fabuloso® Original Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Orange with Baking Soda Scent, 16.5 FL OZ

Fabuloso® Multi-Purpose Cleaner 2X Concentrated Formula, Orange with Baking Soda Scent, 56 FL OZ

Apple with Vinegar Scent - Non-Impacted

Fabuloso® Original Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Apple with Vinegar Scent, 16.5 FL OZ

Fabuloso Antibacterial Products (All Scents) - Non-Impacted

Fabuloso® Antibacterial Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Lavender Scent, 16.9 FL OZ

Fabuloso® Antibacterial Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Lavender Scent, 28 FL OZ

Fabuloso® Antibacterial Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Lavender Scent, 48 FL OZ

Fabuloso® Antibacterial Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Lavender Scent, 169 FL OZ

Fabuloso® Antibacterial Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Pine Scent, 16.9 FL OZ

Fabuloso® Antibacterial Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Pine Scent, 28 FL OZ

Fabuloso® Antibacterial Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Pine Scent, 48 FL OZ

Fabuloso® Antibacterial Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Sparkling Citrus Scent, 16.9 FL OZ

Fabuloso® Antibacterial Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Sparkling Citrus Scent, 28 FL OZ

Fabuloso® Antibacterial Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Sparkling Citrus Scent, 48 FL OZ

Fabuloso® Antibacterial Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Sparkling Citrus Scent, 169 FL OZ

Fabuloso® Antibacterial Multi-Purpose Cleaner, Sparkling Citrus Scent, 210 FL OZ