

December 2nd 2015

Urgent - Field Safety Notice MEDICAL DEVICE RECALL

Dear Valued GlideScope Customer,

Verathon Incorporated, manufacturer of GlideScope® Video Laryngoscopes, is conducting a Product Recall affecting certain models and serial numbers of the GlideScope GVL and AVL blades.

Our records indicate that your facility has received one or more of the products affected by this notice. Please identify the serial number(s) of your GlideScope Reusable Blades located on the side of the handle and follow the instructions on the following pages that apply to your specific serialized device(s).

This Product Recall is being conducted with the knowledge of the applicable Regulatory Authorities. Please report any suspected malfunction or adverse event related to any GlideScope GVL or AVL device to Verathon Customer Care at CustomerCareEU@verathon.com.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter. Verathon is committed to providing products of the highest quality and we regret any inconvenience these actions may cause. We encourage you to contact us if you need assistance or further information.

Sincerely,



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Affected products: GlideScope Reusable GVL and AVL Blades
Note: Does not apply to Ranger Blades or Single Use Systems, including Video Batons and STATS

PRODUCT RECALL	Product Name	Part Number	Serial Numbers	Instructions/Actions
	GVL 3	0574-0007	MD151685 – MD151932	These serial numbers are being recalled due to the potential of the blades to separate, potentially resulting in breakage or delayed intubation. Refer to the instructions below for return and replacement of these Reusable Blades.
	GVL 4	0574-0001	LG151858 – LG152232	
	GVL 5	0574-0030	XL151543 – XL151572	
	AVL 3	0574-0115	AD141603 – AD151535	
	AVL 4	0574-0116	AE141629 – AE151545	
	AVL 5	0574-0117	AF141570 – AF151525	

Verathon Incorporated has become aware of the potential for GlideScope® Video Laryngoscope blades to separate. If a blade separates during a procedure, it may result in failure of the intubation procedure, which could result in patient death or serious injury. Blade separation may also lead to cracking or breaking of the separated blade halves which, in turn, could result in laceration caused by aspiration of, or need for, a secondary procedure to retrieve a detached piece remaining in the patient airway. These affected serial numbers are being recalled due to the potential risk of separation in the blade tip that may not be readily visible during routine inspection before or after intubation.

Our records indicate that your facility may have received one or more of the products affected by this recall. Please identify the Serial Number of your GlideScope Reusable Blades located on the side of the handle and follow the instructions below.

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Verathon Incorporated will, at no cost to you, replace your GlideScope® GVL or AVL blade(s) that fall within the serial number ranges identified above.

To comply with this Field Safety Notice for the affected models and serial numbers of GlideScope GVL and AVL blades, please complete steps 1-5 of the attached Field Safety Notice Reply Form and return it to Verathon. Please return the form even if you do not have any blades subject to the recall.

Should you have any questions about this Product Recall, please contact your Verathon representative or Verathon Customer Care at CustomerCareEU@verathon.com.

Our records indicate that your facility has received a reusable GlideScope® Video Laryngoscope with the Serial Number ranges listed in the table below. Please fill out and return this **Field Safety Notice Reply Form**.

FIELD SAFETY NOTICE REPLY FORM: RESPONSE REQUIRED						
Affected Devices: GlideScope® Video Laryngoscope blades with the following Serial Numbers						
Model Number	GVL 3	GVL 4	GVL 5	AVL 3	AVL 4	AVL 5
Part Number	0574-0007	0574-0001	0574-0030	0574-0115	0574-0116	0574-0117
Serial Number Ranges	MD151685 - MD151932	LG151858 - LG152232	XL151543 - XL151572	AD141603 - AD151535	AE141629 - AE151545	AF141570 - AF151525

1. I have ensured that the Field Safety Notice was distributed to users throughout the facility.

YES NO If NO, please explain: _____

2. I received notification of your recall and will contact Verathon Customer Care to arrange for replacement blades.

3. The following AVL/GVL device(s) are **still in use** at our facility, as per the provided list – please record Serial Number(s):

GVL 3 Blade PN 0574-0007	GVL 4 Blade PN 0574-0001	GVL 5 Blade PN 0574-0030	AVL 3 Blade PN 0574-0115	AVL 4 Blade PN 0574-0116	AVL 5 Blade PN 0574-0117
Ex: MD105000					

4. The following AVL/GVL device(s) are **no longer in use** at our facility, as per the provided list – please record Serial Number(s):

GVL 3 Blade PN 0574-0007	GVL 4 Blade PN 0574-0001	GVL 5 Blade PN 0574-0030	AVL 3 Blade PN 0574-0115	AVL 4 Blade PN 0574-0116	AVL 5 Blade PN 0574-0117
Ex: MD105000					

Business Name:	
Address, City, State/Prov., Post Code:	
Signature:	Phone:
Printed Name:	Date:

5. Please e-mail or fax the completed form to Verathon:

Fax: +31.30.68.70.512
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