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### **Cal/OSHA Issues Statement on Ohio Amusement Ride Accident: All Fire Ball Rides in California Have Been Voluntarily Shut Down**

**Oakland**—Cal/OSHA today released the following statement affirming that amusement ride owners have voluntarily shut down the six Fire Ball rides in California parks, after a fatal ride malfunction on the Fire Ball in Columbus, at the Ohio State Fair.

Cal/OSHA's Amusement Ride and Tramway Unit contacted owners Wednesday evening after receiving notification of the accident in Ohio, asking that owners close the rides pending word from the manufacturers, KMG or Chance Morgan, Inc./ Chance Rides, Inc., or after a ride inspection by Cal/OSHA. All of the rides have been voluntarily shut down by the owners.

Fire Ball rides are located at six parks across the state under different names, including:

- "G Force" owned and operated by Ray Cammack Shows at the Orange County Fair (portable ride)
- Fire Ball owned and operated by Butler Amusements at the Cal Expo State Fair (portable ride)
- Fire Ball at the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk
- "Delirium" at the California's Great America in Santa Clara
- "La Revolución" at the Knott's Berry Farm in Buena Park
- "Beach Blaster" at the Belmont Park in San Diego

Cal/OSHA protects and improves the safety of passengers riding on elevators, amusement rides, and tramways. Additional information on [requirements for portable and permanent amusement rides in California](#), including inspection and issuance of permits, is detailed online.

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