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# **Doctors: Laser Pointers Pose Threat to Eye Health**

Laser pointers might be useful at business meetings and fun to play around with, but they can also be dangerous. This is a report on how laser pointers can damage your vision and also about the different laser pointer classes.

A 15-year-old boy damaged his eyes while playing with a laser pointer he'd bought over the Internet, say doctors who warn that dangerously high-powered versions are easily available online.

One eye expert called it "a legitimate public health menace."

The boy's case is reported in Thursday's issue of the New England Journal of Medicine by doctors who treated him at the Lucerne Cantonal Hospital in Switzerland.

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