Covidien Ltd. Form 8-K November 17, 2008

## **UNITED STATES**

## **SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

# FORM 8-K

### **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 17, 2008

# COVIDIEN LTD.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Bermuda (State or Other Jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

001-33259 (Commission File Number) 98-0518045 (I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

131 Front Street

Hamilton, HM 12 Bermuda

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip Code)

#### 441-298-2480

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On November 17, 2008, Covidien Ltd. (the Company ) issued a press release announcing financial results for the fiscal quarter and year ended September 26, 2008. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated November 17, 2008

#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

#### COVIDIEN LTD.

By: /s/ Richard G. Brown, Jr. Richard G. Brown, Jr. Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer and Controller

Date: November 17, 2008

#### EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.Exhibit Name99.1Press Release dated November 17, 2008