



Safety Gate: Rapid Alert System for dangerous non-food products

Alert number	A12/1847/19
Category	Chemical products
Type of alert	Products with serious risks
Product user	Consumer
Product	Tattoo ink
Brand	INTENZE
Name	The Alex De Pase Series
Type / number of model	Magenta
Batch number / Barcode	Lot SS265
OECD Portal Category	53000000 - Beauty / Personal Care / Hygiene
Description	29,6 ml of magenta tattoo ink in a transparent plastic bottle fitted with a dispensing nozzle and a screw-top. The product was also sold online.
Country of origin	United States
Alert submitted by	Finland
Risk type	Chemical
Technical defect	The product contains the aromatic amines 4-methyl-m-phenylenediamine, o-anisidine (measured values: 13 mg/kg and 7 mg/kg, respectively) and an excessive amount of barium (measured value: 52 mg/kg).
Risk	4-methyl-m-phenylenediamine is a skin sensitiser and, as o-anisidine, may cause cancer. Barium can be easily absorbed and have toxic effects on the body impairing muscle, kidney and heart activity, leading to arrhythmia, paralysis or gastrointestinal alterations. The Council of Europe Resolution ResAP (2008)1 on requirements and criteria for the safety of tattoos and permanent make-up, recommends that aromatic amines with carcinogenic mutagenic, reprotoxic or sensitising properties should neither be present in tattoos and permanent make-up products nor released from azo-colourants and that barium does not exceed 50 mg/kg.
Measures adopted by notifying country	Warning consumers of the risks, Withdrawal of the product from the marketWithdrawal of the product from the market

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