

FACTSHEET

Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drug Clearinghouse



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BATH SALTS

NOT AS SAFE AS THEY SOUND!

Bath salts are a synthetic drug that is not only dangerous, but illegal!

What is it?

The synthetic drug sold as “bath salts” has no legitimate use for bathing and is intended by the manufacturers for getting high. They contain stimulant compounds that are supposed to mimic the highs of drugs such as cocaine, MDMA, and methamphetamines.

What does it look like?

The specially-made powder or crystal chunks mostly range from white to tan, but can also be in different colors.

How is it used?

Bath Salts are snorted, swallowed, smoked or injected.

What can be the symptoms of use?

Bath Salts can cause chest pains, irregular heartbeats, increased blood pressure, agitation, muscle breakdown and seizures. They also can cause extreme paranoia, delusions, hallucinations, suicidal thoughts and violence.

What are the street names/slang terms for it?

Ivory & Purple Wave, Bliss, White Lightning, Hurricane Charlie, Zoom, Drone, Meow Meow, White Rush, Red Dove, Blue Silk, Zoom, Bloom, Cloud Nine, Ocean Snow, Lunar Wave, Vanilla Sky and Scarface. *(These products have also been sold as plant food and pond water cleaners.)*

Where do they come from?

These harmful powders are typically sold in small foil packets or in half-gram bottles and labeled “not for human consumption,” but are used to get high. They may be sold over the internet and at various head shops.

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