

The Rapid Alert System for Non-Food Products (RAPEX)

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Risk level	Serious risk
Product user	Consumer
Notifying country	Finland
Product category	Chemical products
Product	Tattoo ink
Brand	Colour King
Name	Orange
Type / number of model	Unknown
Batch number/Bar code	Unknown
OECD Portal category	53000000 - Beauty / Personal Care / Hygiene
Description Description	Orange tattoo ink in a transparent plastic bottle with a dispenser cap. The product was sold online (in particular via lightinthebox.com).
Country of origin	China
Counterfeit	
Risk type	Chemical
Risk description	4-methyl-m-phenylenediamine is an aromatic amines that can cause cancer, cell mutations and affect reproduction and it's also a skin sensitizing substance. Barium can have toxic effects on the body impairing muscle, kidney and heart activity, leading to arrythmia, 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 shouldn't be present in tattoos and permanent make-up products and that barium does not exceed 50 mg/kg.
Measures adopted by notifying country	Voluntary measures: Notifying about the risk
URL link to company recall (if available)	
Products were found and measures were taken also in	
Images	The state of the s

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