



BATH SALTS

Orange County Sheriff's Department — Drug Use is Life Abuse

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Bath Salts are:

- Swallowed
- Snorted
- Injected
- Smoked

Frequently Observed Symptoms:

- Anxiety/ Panic Attacks/Unpredictable Behavior
- Hallucinations
- Extreme Paranoia
- Elevated heart rate/ blood pressure/pulse
- Extremely high body temperature/sweating

Street Names:

- Bliss
- Cloud Nine
- Ivory Wave
- Ocean
- Red Dove
- Stardust
- White Lightning

Bath Salts - Synthetic Stimulants

Synthetic stimulants that are marketed as “bath salts” are often found in a number of retail products. These synthetic stimulants are chemicals. The chemicals are synthetic derivatives of cathinone, a central nervous system stimulant, which is an active chemical found naturally in the khat plant. Mephedrone and MDPV are two of the designer cathinones most commonly found in these “bath salt” products. Many of these products are sold over the internet, in convenience stores, and in “head shops.”

Cathinone derivatives act as central nervous system stimulants causing rapid heart rate (which may lead to heart attacks and strokes), chest pains, nosebleeds, sweating, nausea, and vomiting.



Drugs that have similar effects include: amphetamines, cocaine, Khat, LSD, and MDMA.

As a result of action taken by the Drug Enforcement Administration, three of the synthetic stimulants used to make bath salts (Mephedrone, MDPV and Methy-lone) are designated as Schedule I substances under the Controlled Substances Act. Schedule I status is reserved for those substances

with a high potential for abuse, no currently accepted use for treatment in the United States and a lack of accepted safety for use of the drug under medical supervision.

Bath Salts - “What does it look like?”

“Bath Salt” stimulant products are sold in powder form in small plastic or foil packages of 200 and 500 milligrams under various brand names. Mephedrone is a fine white, off-white, or slightly yellow-colored powder. It can also be found in tablet and capsule form. MDPV is a fine white or off-white powder.



Bath Salts designer drugs sold inside small powder packets are **not** the same as the legally sold bath salts.

The proof is the absence of the basic ingredients of legal bath salts which are sea salt and Epsom salt. These designer drugs are presumed to be labeled as “bath salts” in order to get around the country’s drug laws. They are often labeled as “not for human consumption” or “plant food.”