



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

Alert number	0754/09
Category	Cosmetics
Type of alert	Products with serious risks
Product user	Consumer
Product	Perfumed talcum powder - Fragrant talc parfumé - Lavender
Brand	Spring Fresh
Name	
Type / number of model	UP-6273Z
Batch number / Barcode	
OECD Portal Category	
Description	A jar containing perfumed powder.
Country of origin	Canada
Alert submitted by	Italy
Risk type	Chemical
Risk	The product poses a chemical risk because it contains arsenic at a level of 18.8 (\pm 3.7) mg/kg. This could be absorbed with consequent skin problems, low resistance to infection, heart disease and brain damage. Arsenic has also been shown to be carcinogenic (skin, lungs, liver, bladder and lymph vessels) and mutagenic (DNA damage). Arsenic is banned in cosmetics and personal hygiene products by the Cosmetics Directive 76/768/EEC.
Measures adopted by notifying country	Voluntary withdrawal from the market. Seizure of the products ordered by the authorities.
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