

Media Release

Officeworks statement on voluntary product recall

At Officeworks, the safety and quality of our products is our top priority.

Officeworks conducted analytical testing through HAZCAL Laboratories, a NATA* accredited laboratory, on various Kadink sand products supplied by Educational Colours Pty Ltd (EC), which identified the presence of microscopic asbestos fibres. In response, we stopped sales and EC has commenced a voluntary recall.

Officeworks also obtained an independent health and safety risk assessment on EC's products conducted by Occupational Hygiene and OHS Solutions, which concluded there is **no** identifiable safety hazard and therefore the safety risk associated with these products is negligible.

Withdrawal from sale and voluntary recall of the products has been taken purely as a precautionary measure. In this regard, we have also commenced a voluntary recall of the Kadink sand product supplied by Shamrock Australia and will work with our suppliers to fully address the issue.

Article	Article Description	Supplier
KDSANDNAT	KADINK PLAIN NATURAL SAND 1.3kg	EDUCATIONAL COLOURS PTY LTD
KDEDS13BL	KADINK COLOURED SAND 1.3KG BE	EDUCATIONAL COLOURS PTY LTD
KDEDS13GN	KADINK COLOURED SAND 1.3KG GRN	EDUCATIONAL COLOURS PTY LTD
KDEDS13PK	KADINK COLOURED SAND 1.3KG PK	EDUCATIONAL COLOURS PTY LTD
KDEDS13PUR	KADINK COLOURED SAND 1.3KG PE	EDUCATIONAL COLOURS PTY LTD
KDEDS13RD	KADINK COLOURED SAND 1.3KG RED	EDUCATIONAL COLOURS PTY LTD
KDEDS13YL	KADINK COLOURED SAND 1.3KG YW	EDUCATIONAL COLOURS PTY LTD
KDCOLSDMIX	KD PLAIN SAND COL MIXED 1.3KG	EDUCATIONAL COLOURS PTY LTD
KDMSNDMNAT	KD MAGIC SAND NAT W MLDS 2KG	EDUCATIONAL COLOURS PTY LTD
KDMSNDMPUR	KD MAGIC SAND PRPL W MLDS 2KG	EDUCATIONAL COLOURS PTY LTD
KDCOTSDMIX	KD COTTON SAND COL MIX 700G	EDUCATIONAL COLOURS PTY LTD
KDMAGSDMIX	KD MAGIC SAND COL MIXED 1KG	EDUCATIONAL COLOURS PTY LTD
KDOWK0089	KADINK DECORATIVE SAND - 6 pc	SHAMROCK AUSTRALIA PTY LTD

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