

SPICE



Synthetic Marijuana

WHAT IS SPICE?

Synthetic (man-made) drug that provides a high effect similar to marijuana. It contains a mixture of plant materials and man-made chemicals with mind-altering effects.

It is often coated with unknown toxic chemicals, causing a dangerous and unpredictable high. Each package's ingredients can vary so much that a user's reaction is unpredictable.



Looks similar to potpourri and is often sold in small bags or containers with small leaves. Packages are often labeled "not for human consumption".

COMMON NAMES

- Spice
- K2
- Blaze
- Yucatan Fire
- Red X
- Black Mamba
- Flake Weed
- Mr. Nice Guy
- Herbal Incense

HOW IS IT USED?

- Smoking
- Ingested

Smoking through a pipe or joint or mixed with food or liquids.

SIDE EFFECTS

- increased heart rate
- increased blood pressure
- vomiting and convulsions
- numbness and tingling
- tremors and seizures
- hallucinations
- panic attacks
- paranoia
- giddiness
- agitation and aggression
- psychosis
- death

LEGAL PENALTY

- Spice and Bath Salts are illegal to sell and possess in the state of Hawai'i.
- ACT 29: all retailers or persons in possession of spice and bath salts products are in violation of state law and may be prosecuted for possession or distribution of a schedule I controlled substance.
- Considered a class B felony, violators can be prosecuted for up to 10 years or pay a \$10,000 fine.



Sources: Office of National Drug Control Policy Synthetic Marijuana Fact Sheet, Iowa Department of Mental Health Synthetic Marijuana Fact Sheet, DEA K2/ Spice Drug Fact Sheet, "Popular Drug Spice is Now Illegal" KHON2 News, ACT 29: State of Hawaii Department of Public Safety, "Synthetic Drugs Offer Dangerous High" via Hawaii News Now, "Spice Traps Troops" Star Advertiser, " Legal High Becomes Horrible Dream" Joe Gould via Army Times.

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