Health & Safety Services - AMBER ALERT
Asbestos in sand products

Action to be Completed by - 29th May 2026

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Applicable to all schools & nurseries

Office for Product Safety and Standards (OPSS)
The OPSS is aware of consumer products available in the UK containing sand contaminated with asbestos. These products have been recalled by the businesses that have sold them, and OPSS also expects any further asbestos-contaminated products to be recalled.

The majority of affected products appear to be coloured sand, toys with a sand filling and similar products as opposed to sand you may find in a sand pit. However, the list of affected products by the OPSS could change. The risk to health is likely to be very low.

Key actions for schools to complete:
To check by 29th May 2026;

- Check to see if any of your sand products are included in the list of those that have been recalled here - asbestos - Product Safety Alerts, Reports and Recalls - GOV.UK
- Where sand products are identified from the list above follow the guidance from the OPSS relating to workplaces and schools - Asbestos in consumer products - GOV.UK
- You should also consult your recently provided health & safety management system and the section titled 'Asbestos in our Premise.'

Should you require any further information or support in implementing the requirements of this alert please contact Health & Safety Services

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