

Alert number **[A12/1120/18](#)**Product **Tattoo ink**Risk type **Chemical**

The ink contains cadmium (measured value: 0.62 mg/kg), mercury (measured value: 0.32 mg/kg) and barium (measured value: 62 mg/kg).

Exposure to lead is harmful for human health and can cause developmental neurotoxicity. Salts of barium can be absorbed from the tattoo ink and have toxic effects. The Council of Europe Resolution ResAP (2008)¹ on requirements and criteria for the safety of tattoos and permanent make-up recommends that the levels of cadmium and mercury in tattoo inks do not exceed 0.2 mg/kg and that the level of barium does not exceed 50 mg/kg.

Category **Chemical products**Type **Consumer**Description **Bright red tattoo ink in a plastic bottle with screw top.**Brand **Intenze**Name **Bright Red**Batch number **SS258, art. st1007BR; exp. date 31.07.2022**Weekly report number **Report-2018-031**Alert submitted by **Croatia**Is the product counterfeit? **Unknown**

Country of origin	United States
Measures ordered by public authorities	Ban on the marketing of the product and any accompanying measures Distributor
Date of entry into force	29/06/2018
Products were found and measures were taken also in	Germany Slovakia