

DRUG WARNING

High dose MDMA (ecstasy) tablets recently found in NSW – also containing a synthetic cathinone

Know the risks

- Synthetic cathinones are stimulants that may have similar effects to MDMA and other amphetamines. There is limited information on the specific effects of dipentylone.
- MDMA tablets are often poorly manufactured and the amount of MDMA and other substances in a tablet can vary a lot, even within the same batch.
- You are at **increased risk of harm** if you:
 - Take multiple MDMA (ecstasy) tablets or capsules
 - Take a higher-dose MDMA tablet or capsule
 - Take MDMA in a hot environment like a music festival or indoor dance party
- The time from taking the drug to feeling any effect can vary between people and tablets. If it's not working, don't re-dose.
- High-dose MDMA use has been linked to death and other serious harms.

Effects to look out for

- Feeling really hot and sweaty
- Racing heart/pulse or light-headedness
- Rigid muscles (e.g. difficulty walking), uncontrolled repetitive movements, seizures
- Confusion or agitation, feeling aggressive, difficult to rouse or unconscious
- Vomiting

If you or others experience these symptoms after taking MDMA, get help immediately.

Getting help

If you or your friends see the warning signs of overdose:

Seek help immediately from your nearest emergency department or call **Triple Zero (000)**. You won't get into trouble for seeking medical care.

Start **CPR** if someone is not responsive.



Skull shaped tablets with MYBRAND marking have been found containing high dose MDMA and a synthetic cathinone, dipentylone*

The risk of harm is increased when MDMA is taken with other stimulants including synthetic cathinones, amphetamines or cocaine.

* also known as N,N-dimethylpentylone



Pink-orange
182-185mg MDMA
+ dipentylone

Blue
162mg MDMA
+ dipentylone

Yellow
151mg MDMA

Other recently tested skull shaped tablets with MYBRAND marking have contained MDMA with ketamine or 2'-fluoro-2-oxo-PCE (a ketamine analogue, also known as 2F-NENDCK, or 2-fluoro-N-ethylnordeschloroketamine)

Tablet appearance is not a reliable indicator of drug contents

Support and advice

For free and confidential advice:

- Call [Alcohol and Drug Information Service](#) (ADIS) on 1800 250 015 at any time 24/7. Start a [Web Chat](#) with an ADIS counsellor Mon-Fri, 8.30am-5pm.
- Call [NUAA](#) on 1800 644 413 (Mon-Fri 9am-5pm) to speak to a peer or visit [NUAA](#) for a range of resources.
- Call the [NSW Poisons Information Centre](#) on 13 11 26 for information on adverse effects from drugs.
- Visit [Your Room](#) for fact sheets and other resources.



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