Office for Product Safety & Standards

Product Safety Report

Hydrogel Water Beads	
Aspect	**Details**
Images	
PSD Number	2505-0035
Product Type	Toys – Water Beads
Product Identifiers	OnBuy Listing Name: 5 bags/lot Crystal Soil Mud Hydrogel Gel Kids Children Toy Water Beads Growing Up Water Balls Weddin Other Product Identifier: PBNKVBR
Product Description	110pc water beads in a clear, miniature plastic packet. Sold with a flower nutrient solution in a green plastic packet.
Country of Origin	Unknown
Counterfeit	Unknown
Risk Level	Serious
Risk Type	Asphyxiation
Risk Description	The product presents a serious risk of asphyxiation because if the product is swallowed in its hydrated form, it can block a young child's airway. OPSS has published a Product Safety Alert for water beads, which can be accessed at: https://www.gov.uk/product-safety-alerts-reports-recalls/product-safety-alert-water-beads-psa7 The product does not meet the requirements of the Toys (Safety) Regulations 2011.
Corrective measures	The product is no longer available for sale. Owners are advised to stop using the product immediately, and keep it out of the reach of children. Contact the distributor you purchased from to request redress.
Online Marketplace	OnBuy
Notifier	Office for Product Safety and Standards

The OPSS Product Safety Alerts, Reports and Recalls Site can be accessed at the following link: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/product-recalls-and-alerts