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Hand Sanitizer Recall

July 27, 2020 - The United States Food and Drug Administration, (FDA) is warning customers and health care professionals not to use certain alcohol-based hand sanitizers and is recommending a voluntary recall of various brands of hand sanitizer. These hand sanitizer products are recalled because the sanitizer was made with *Methanol* instead of *Ethyl Alcohol*. *Methanol*, also known as wood alcohol, can be dangerous when ingested or absorbed through the skin. Substantial exposure to *Methanol* can cause nausea, vomiting, headaches, blurred vision and even permanent blindness. Seizures, comas, permanent damage to the nervous system and death are also listed as possible side effects. Anyone who has been exposed to hand sanitizer containing methanol and is experiencing methanol poisoning symptoms should seek medical treatment.

Below is a partial list of hand sanitizers that have tested positive for methanol, according to the FDA and should not be used:

- Born Basic ANTI-BAC HAND SANITIZER
- Scent Theory KEEP CLEAN Moisturizing Hand Sanitizer
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- All Clean Hand Sanitizer ITECH 361 Lux Eoi Hand Sanitizing Gel
- Bio aaa Advance Hand Sanitizer
- LumiSkin Advance Hand Sanitizer 4 oz
- LumiSkin Advance Hand Sanitizer 16 oz
- QualitaMed Hand Sanitizer
- Grupo Insoma's Hand Sanitizer Gel Unscented 70% Alcohol
- Soluciones Cosmeticas SA de CV's Bersih Hand Sanitizer Gel Fragrance Free
- Soluciones Cosmeticas SA de CV's Antiseptic Alcohol 70% Topical Solution
- Tropicosmeticos SA de CV's Britz Hand Sanitizer Ethyl Alcohol 70%
- Esk Biochem Hand Sanitizer
- CleanCare NoGerm Advanced Hand Sanitizer 75% Alcohol
- Lavar 70 Gel Hand Sanitizer
- The Good Gel Antibacterial Gel Hand Sanitizer
- CleanCare NoGerm Advanced Hand Sanitizer 80% Alcohol
- CleanCare NoGerm Advanced Hand Sanitizer 75% Alcohol
- CleanCare NoGerm Advanced Hand Sanitizer 80% Alcohol
- Saniderm Advanced Hand Sanitizer

For additional information on the hand sanitizer recall and related updates please visit the US FDA website at: https://www.fda.gov/drugs/drug-safety-and-availability/fda-updates-hand-sanitizers-methanol or call the Bedford Board of Health Department at 781-275-6507.