



THE FACTS: AMPHETAMINES/SPEED

Sometimes called: sulphate, sulph, wizz, uppers, billy

What it looks like:

White, grey, pink or orangey yellow powder (or as a tablet or capsule).

The Effects:

- Feeling energetic, excited, alert and talkative
- Feeling washed out and run down
- Poor appetite
- Anxiety and depression
- Craving (more and more is needed to get the same effect)

How it's used:

Sniffed, swallowed, dabbed on the tongue, dissolved in a drink, smoked or injected.

The Risks:

- Using speed to diet can lead to problems such as brittle bones
- Anorexia
- Mental illness
- Injecting speed means there's a risk of damaged veins, getting HIV and Hepatitis
- Overdosing on speed can lead to death

The Law:

Speed is a Class B drug. Being caught in possession of speed could lead to a prison sentence of up to 5 years. Supplying speed (this includes giving some to a friend) is punishable by up to 14 years in prison. If speed is prepared for injection, then it is treated as a Class A drug and the legal penalties are heavier.

Getting a criminal record can make it more difficult to travel abroad or get certain jobs.

For information, support, advice or someone to talk to about drugs, call the numbers below:



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