

Ivory Wave

Ivory Wave is a new legal high drug which reportedly has effects similar to ecstasy or cocaine. This product is advertised as a bath salt and is available in Utah. While Ivory Wave is legal to possess and distribute, abuse of the product has led to at least one confirmed hospitalized overdose in West Jordan, and other reported overdoses in the Salt Lake valley.



Ivory Wave is a white, tan, or brown powdery substance which is sold in 50mg to 500g packets at local head shops and over the internet. No domestic producers of Ivory Wave have been identified, however there are at least two U.S. entities distributing Ivory Wave via E-bay, one in Missouri and one in **Louisiana**. The originating source of the Ivory Wave products available in Utah is not known. The price ranges from \$25 - \$50 per 50mg packet.

Ivory Wave, also branded as Vanilla Sky, Pure Ivory, Purple Wave, Charge+, Ocean Burst, and Sextacy, contains chemicals similar to MDMA (ecstasy). Preliminary information indicates the three most common active ingredients are: MDPV, CFT, and Mephedrone. These substances originated as research drugs, and were eventually exploited by the legal high community.

Ivory Wave is usually snorted, but can be smoked or swallowed. Drug forum members report effects similar to the rush of ecstasy but without the euphoria and with a harsh come-down. Most common effects reported include: mental and sexual stimulation, increased energy, rapid heart rate, insomnia, muscle twitching, difficulty breathing, paranoia, and an intense desire to re-dose. The effects are reported to last six to eight hours, but with re-dosing, can cause insomnia for multiple days.

Foreign reports indicate that Ivory Wave may have adverse effects on the heart, circulation, and the nervous system, and is potentially addictive. There have been overdoses in Australia and Europe, including two deaths in the UK in the past month. There are no long term studies of the use of Ivory Wave.

There is no known blood or urine test for Ivory Wave, making it a popular choice for abuse by those regulated by random drug screens.
