

## Safety Notice: Product Recall – Hobbycraft Giant Box of Craft

(Issued 27 January 2026)

A product recall has been issued by Hobbycraft for the Giant Box of Craft as vials of sand included within the set may contain a small quantity of asbestos.

Asbestos is a banned substance because it poses a risk to health even at low levels of exposure.

Hobbycraft has withdrawn the product from sale and has initiated a recall from consumers.

### Immediate Actions Required

If your school has purchased this product, **stop using it immediately** and follow the disposal instructions below.

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### Disposal Instructions

#### If the sand is unused and still in its packaging:

- Place the sand (still sealed) into a heavy-duty plastic bag.
- Double tape the bag securely.
- Label it clearly as “Do not open – asbestos-containing material (potential)”.
- Store it in a safe location, out of the reach of children.
- Contact [health.safety@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:health.safety@lancashire.gov.uk) or [scientificservices@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:scientificservices@lancashire.gov.uk)
- to arrange for safe disposal.

#### If the sand has already been used:

- Prevent access to areas where the sand has been used.
  - Contact Lancashire County Council Scientific Services tel: 01772 721660 who will investigate, take samples and/or carry out reassurance air testing as appropriate.
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### Further action

Schools affected should notify parents of the [product recall by Hobbycraft](#) and advise that subsequent action taken by Lancashire County Council is in line with HSE guidance and regulations.

### Further support

If you have any questions or require further support, please contact the Health and Safety team.

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