Deodorants and Antiperspirants

**What is in it:** Product may contain aluminum salts. Sticks, sprays and liquids may also contain ethanol (alcohol).

**Is it toxic?** Low order of toxicity, particularly given the amount that would be ingested.

**Health Effects:**
- **Eyes:** May cause irritation but serious injury is unlikely.
- **Skin:** May cause skin irritation
- **Ingestion:** May cause irritation to mouth and throat. Nausea and vomiting may be seen with large ingestion. Waxy products (sticks) may cause diarrhea.

**What to do:**
- **Eyes:** Rinse eyes with lukewarm water with one of the following methods:
Pour a gentle stream of water from a jug or clean teapot over the eye from the inside corner by the nose, across the eye, flowing out towards the ear.

- Submerge eye in a container (bowl, sink) of lukewarm water. Have patient open and close eye.
- Eye may be irrigated in the shower if this can be accomplished without delay.
- Young children may be wrapped like a mummy in a towel with arms at side and held over sink or tub or laid on counter during flushing.

**Skin:** Wash skin thoroughly with warm water and soap.

**Ingestion:** Rinse out mouth and drink a small glass of water or milk.

*Do not induce vomiting.* If symptoms persist after the above first aid measures contact the Poison Control Centre.

**How can I prevent exposure?** Return to safe storage immediately after use. Never leave children alone with household products.

**Need more Information:** Call the Poison Control Centre.

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