

NOTICE OF EMERGENCY RULE

DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL AFFAIRS

RULE TITLE:

RULE NO.:

Addition of 3,4 - Methylenedioxyamfetamine (Mephedrone),
3,4 - Methylenedioxypropylamphetamine (MDPV),
4 - Methylmethcathinone (Mephedrone),
3 - Methoxymethcathinone, 3- Fluoromethcathinone,
and 4 - Fluoromethcathinone, to Schedule I, Subsection 893.03(1), F.S.

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SPECIFIC REASONS FOR FINDING AN IMMEDIATE DANGER TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY OR

WELFARE: In written findings published on the date this emergency rule was filed with the Secretary of State's Office, Attorney General Bondi has found that there is a need to immediately place the above-mentioned compounds commonly known as "bath salts" under Schedule I, Subsection 893.03(1), F.S., in order to curtail the abuse of "bath salts" by Florida's children and young adults. These circumstances present an immediate and imminent hazard to the public health, safety, and welfare which requires emergency action. In addition the Attorney General has found that the above-mentioned compounds meet the statutory criteria for placement as a controlled substance in Schedule I, Subsection 893.03(1), F.S.

REASONS FOR CONCLUDING THAT THE PROCEDURE USED IS FAIR UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES:

The above-mentioned compounds commonly known as "bath salts" present an immediate and imminent hazard to the public health, safety, and welfare which requires emergency action. The Attorney General will ask the Florida Legislature to memorialize this action through legislation in its 2011 legislative session. The Attorney General will immediately begin rulemaking procedures if the Legislature fails to act. A copy of the Attorney General's findings in support of this emergency rule may be obtained by contacting the Office of the Attorney General, PL-01, The Capitol, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050; (850) 245-0145.

SUMMARY OF THE RULE: Under the authority of Section 893.05, Florida Statutes, the substances 3,4 -

Methylenedioxyamfetamine (Mephedrone), 3,4 - Methylenedioxypropylamphetamine (MDPV), 4 - Methylmethcathinone (Mephedrone), 3 - Methoxymethcathinone, 3- Fluoromethcathinone, and 4 - Fluoromethcathinone, are being added to Schedule I, Subsection 893.03(1), F.S.

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THE FULL TEXT OF THE EMERGENCY RULE IS:

2ER11-1 Addition of 3,4 - Methylenedioxymethcathinone (Methylone), 3,4 - Methylenedioxypropylone (MDPV), 4 - Methylmethcathinone (Mephedrone), 3 - Methoxymethcathinone, 3- Fluoromethcathinone, and 4 - Fluoromethcathinone, to Schedule I, Subsection 893.03(1), F.S.

(1) Under the authority of Section 893.035, F.S., the following substances are hereby controlled substances, added to Schedule I, subsection 893.03(2)(a), F.S.:

(a) 3,4 - Methylenedioxymethcathinone (Methylone);

(b) 3,4 - Methylenedioxypropylone (MDPV);

(c) 4 - Methylmethcathinone (Mephedrone);

(d) 3 - Methoxymethcathinone;

(e) 3 - Fluoromethcathinone; and

(f) 4 - Fluoromethcathinone.

(2) All provisions of Chapter 893, F.S., applicable to controlled substances listed in Schedule I shall be applicable to the substances listed in subsections (1)(a) through (f), above.

Rulemaking Authority: 893.035 F.S.

Law Implemented: 893.035 F.S.

History – New

THIS RULE TAKES EFFECT IMMEDIATELY UPON BEING FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE UNLESS A LATER TIME AND DATE IS SPECIFIED IN THE RULE.