

Keep an eye on safety

'At-home' lash lift and tint kits have become more popular, but they come with serious safety considerations. These products should only be applied by salon professionals and they should not be used at home.



Risks

Potential for allergic reactions

- These kits contain strong chemicals like perming solutions and dyes that can cause irritation and, in some cases, allergic reactions if they come into contact with the skin or eyes.
- Allergic reactions can lead to redness, itching and swelling. Ensure your salon professional has helped you perform an allergy alert test, or skin sensitivity test if required, before the treatment.
- For safety reasons, ingredients in eyelash tints and lifts are only legally allowed in professional-use products. Don't risk using a product at home if it is for professional use only.

Eye damage

- If chemicals come into contact with the eye, they can cause corneal burns, severe irritation or infections that could result in lasting damage.
- Poor application technique increases the risk of eye injury. Trust your salon professional to apply these products for you to stay safe and to see the result you want.

Lash weakness and loss

- Overuse of lash lifts can weaken natural lashes over time, making them more prone to breakage and shedding. Over-processing with perming solutions damages lash structure.

Infections

- Without professional hygiene standards, the risk of infections like conjunctivitis rises, especially if contaminated applicators or expired products are used.

Advice for safe use

- **Professional application only** Ingredients like Thioglycolic Acid, found in many lash lift products, are strictly regulated and should only be applied by professionals.
- **Allergy alert testing** For products with PPD (a common dye ingredient), a patch test is essential to avoid allergic reactions.
- **Avoid overuse** Repeated applications weaken lashes. Consult a professional about safe intervals between treatments.
- **Consider alternatives** Safer alternatives include mascaras or lash extensions applied in salons by trained technicians.



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