

**Government To Ban Fluorescent Lollipops From Entering The Country**  
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KUALA LUMPUR, March 11 (Bernama) -- The government has imposed a ban on fluorescent lollipops from entering the country as it is believed to contain hazardous chemicals.

Health Minister Datuk Seri Liow Tiong Lai said the Ministry had intensified monitoring at the entry points to the country to prevent the entry of such candy.

"The material (candy) is now placed in level 5 where its importation is placed under the approval terms before it is placed on level 6, where its import is totally banned," he told reporters after opening the Health Carnival "Jom Sihat" at Kolej Tunku Abdul Rahman, Wangsa Maju here Sunday.

He believed that the lollipops were brought in from abroad because during a raid by the ministry revealed that the address printed on the candy wrapper was a false address.

The Consumers Association of Penang recently called on the government to ban the sale of fluorescent lollipops as its was alleged to containing hazardous chemicals.

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