



Nestlé and Danone formula milk recalls

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The Food Standards Agency (FSA) has issued a series of food alerts since Monday 5th January 2026, detailing a range of different formula milks contaminated with, or potentially contaminated with, the toxin cereulide, which causes food poisoning. The alerts are as follows:

5th January: [Nestlé recalls several SMA Infant Formula and Follow-On Formula as a precaution because of the possible presence of cereulide \(toxin\) | Food Standards Agency](#).

9th of January: [Update 1 - Nestlé recalls several SMA Infant Formula and Follow-On Formula as a precaution because of the possible presence of cereulide \(toxin\) | Food Standards Agency](#).

24th of January [Danone recalls Aptamil First Infant Formula because cereulide \(toxin\) has been found in this batch | Food Standards Agency](#).

3rd of February: [Update 1 - Nestlé recalls several SMA Infant Formula and Follow-On Formula as a precaution because of the possible presence of cereulide \(toxin\) | Food Standards Agency](#).

3rd of February: [Update 2: Nestlé recalls several SMA Infant Formula and Follow-On Formula because of the presence of cereulide \(toxin\) | Food Standards Agency](#).

4th of February: [Update 3: Nestlé recalls several SMA Infant Formula and Follow-On Formula because of the presence of cereulide \(toxin\) | Food Standards Agency](#).

6th of February: [Danone recalls several Aptamil and Cow & Gate First Infant Milk and Follow on Milk formula products because of the possible presence of cereulide \(toxin\) | Food Standards Agency](#).

See this news page from the FSA which provides all the alerts on one webpage: [Infant formula recalls | FSA](#)

See end of this document for full lists of all brands recalled, including pack sizes and best before dates.

Brands of Danone, Nestle and other manufacturers of formula milk are being recalled in many countries, not just the UK.

The concern is that certain batches of a range of different types of Danone formula milks sold in the UK under the '**Aptamil**' and '**Cow & Gate**' brands, and certain batches of a range of different types of Nestlé formula milks sold in the UK under the '**SMA**' and '**Little Steps**' brand names, are either known to be contaminated or may be contaminated, with a toxin called cereulide which causes food poisoning.

The symptoms are **nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea and abdominal cramps** very shortly after consumption.

The FSA alerts above list all of the affected formula milk products and the batch numbers and where these can be found on the product packaging.

It is important to note that the FSA have stated the following: (see [Infant formula recalls | FSA](#))

- “*This recall affects a limited number of batches. The majority of infant formula on sale is unaffected and safe to use.*”
- “*The recalled batches were produced some time ago and are unlikely still to be on sale, but they might be in your cupboards at home.*”



Advice for parents and carers

The FSA advises that parents using any of the affected formula milk products check the batch numbers and stop using any that are listed as potentially contaminated (batch numbers that are not listed can continued to be used). If the baby is sick, the parent should contact their GP or call 111.

All parents should be aware that it is perfectly possible and safe to switch brands of first infant formula as they are all nutritionally equivalent. The NHS states: *"All infant formulas will meet your baby's nutritional needs, regardless of brand or price. By law, all infant formula sold in the UK must meet the same standards, which means they are all suitable for your baby's growth and development"*. See below a list of **first infant formula products** currently unaffected by recalls. There may be a period of adjustment as baby gets used to a new formula. If a parent has any concerns they could contact their health visitor for advice, or their GP or 111.

It may also be useful to know that the NHS recommends that non breastfed or mixed fed babies can be given infant formula up to 12 months of age and that follow-on formula is not necessary (and should never be given to babies under 6 months old).

Lastly, babies being fed one of the affected **non-standard formulas** (anti-reflux, comfort, lactose free, or Alfamino) should consult their health professional for advice on a suitable alternative.

For parents or carers seeking alternative first infant formula products, the following provides the range of **first infant formula milks** available in the UK, for which there have not been any products recalls as of the 6th of February 2026:

- Aldi Mamia First Infant Milk Powder, 800g
- Hipp Organic Combiotic First Infant Milk Powder, 800g
- Hipp Organic Combiotic First Infant Milk Liquid, 90ml, 200ml and 470ml
- Kendamil Bonya First Infant Milk Powder, 800g
- Kendamil First Infant Milk Powder, 800g
- Kendamil First Infant Milk Liquid, 70ml, 250ml
- Kendamil Organic Infant Milk Powder, 800g
- Kendamil Goat Infant Milk Powder, 800g
- Kendamil Mehadrin Infant Milk Powder, 800g
- LIDL Lupilu First Infant Milk Powder, 800g
- Nanny care (Goat) First Infant Milk Powder, 800g

The following manufacturers have made public statements indicating that their products have not been affected because they use a different source for the implicated ingredient:

- [HiPP not affected - Information from HiPP regarding the current recall of certain infant](#) (HiPP website, accessed 6 February 2026).
- [Nannycare: Recent Baby Formula Recalls: Your Questions Answered](#) (Nannycare website, accessed 6 February 2026).



Although the following brands have had recall notices for some version of their products, the following forms / packaging have not had any recalls as of February 6th 2026:

- Aptamil 1 First Infant Milk Liquid, 70ml, 200ml
- Aptamil Advanced 1 First Infant Milk Powder, 800g
- Aptamil Advanced 1 First Infant Milk Liquid, 70ml, 200ml
- Cow & Gate 1 First Infant Milk Liquid 70ml, 200ml
- SMA Little Steps First Infant Milk Liquid, 1L

As above, the following **first infant formula products** have had recall notices for certain batches (***nb., this list does not include recalled products that are not first infant formulas***):

- **Aptamil First Infant Formula Powder, 800g**
- **Aptamil 1 First Milk Powder, 700g, 800g, 1.2kg**
- **Aptamil 1 First Infant Milk Pre-measured Tabs**
- **Cow & Gate 1 First Infant Milk, 600g, 700g, 800g, 1.2kg**
- **SMA Little Steps First Infant Milk Powder, 800g**
- **SMA First Infant Milk Powder 400g, 800g, 1.2kg**
- **SMA First Infant Milk Liquid 70ml, 200ml**
- **SMA Advanced First Infant Milk Powder 800g**

Regarding recalled products that are **not** first infant formula:

- **Lactose free and anti-reflux formulas:** Both available brands of lactose free formulas and some anti-reflux formulas have affected batches. While these products can be bought over the counter, they are meant to be used under medical supervision and so parents should consult a health professional about switching to another brand or product.
- **Hungry baby and comfort milks:** Some hungry baby and comfort milks have affected batches. While these can be bought over the counter, there is a lack of evidence for their effectiveness. Parents can switch to any first infant formula and can seek advice from a health care professional if they feel they need it.
- **Alfamino:** There are some batches affected, but this is available only on prescription, so parents or carers should consult a health professional about alternatives.
- **Follow-on formula:** Some brands have affected batches, but all infants under 12-month-old can switch to a first infant formula.

First Steps Nutrition Trust provides independent expert information about all formula milks on the UK market for parents and carers here: <https://www.firststepsnutrition.org/parents-carers>

Advice for health professionals

Health professionals can use our website www.infantmilkinfo.org to look up alternatives to the affected products to advise parents; see the tab ‘type of infant milk’ and look up lactose-free under infant formula, as well as comfort and anti-reflux. Information on alternatives to Alfamino are in the report “specialised milks for infants with allergies”.

For more information, please contact Dr Vicky Sibson vicky@firststepsnutrition.org



Full list of all products for which recalls have been issued, including brand name, best before date and batch numbers (where available):

First infant formula

| Brand name | Pack size | Best before date |
|---|------------------|---|
| Aptamil First Infant Formula | 800g | 31 October 2026 |
| Aptamil 1 First Infant Milk | 800g | All dates from 9 July 2026 to 4 December 2026 |
| Aptamil 1 First Infant Milk | 700g | All dates from 22 August 2026 to 26 November 2026 |
| Aptamil 1 First Infant Milk Big Pack | 1.2kg | All dates from 14 August 2026 to 25 December 2026 |
| Aptamil 1 First Infant Milk Pre-measured Tabs | | All dates up to and including 17 January 2027 |
| Cow & Gate 1 First Infant Milk | 700g | All dates from 31 July 2026 to 31 January 2027 |
| Cow & Gate 1 First Infant Milk Big Pack | 1.2kg | All dates from 11 July 2026 to 20 February 2027 |
| Cow & Gate 1 First Infant Milk | 600g | All dates from 12 August 2026 to 16 January 2027 |
| Cow & Gate 1 First Infant Milk | 800g | All dates from 11 June 2026 to 25 January 2027 |

| Brand name | Pack size | Best before date | Batch numbers |
|------------------------------------|------------------|---|---|
| SMA Advanced First Infant Milk | 800g | May 2027 | 51450742F1 52319722BA 52819722AA |
| SMA First Infant Milk | 800g | April 2027 May 2027 June 2027 October 2027 December 2027* | 51170346AA 51170346AB 51340346AB 51580346AA 51590346AA 51590346AB 52760346AB 52760346AD 52780346AA 52750346AE 53390346AB* |
| SMA First Infant Milk | 400g | May 2027 October 2027 | 51350346AA 52750346AD |
| SMA First Infant Milk | 1.2kg | November 2026 April 2027 | 51340346BE 52740346BA 52750346BA |
| SMA LITTLE STEPS First Infant Milk | 800g | May 2027 June 2027 October 2027 | 51220346AD 51540346AC 52740346AD |
| SMA First Infant Milk | 200ml | October 2026 November 2026 | 52860295M 52870295M 52870295M 53030295M 53040295M 53220295M 53230295M 53070295M 53080295M |
| SMA First Infant Milk | 70ml | November 2026 | 53170742B1 |

*May be available in Northern Ireland



Lactose-free formula

| Brand name | Pack size | Best before date | Batch numbers |
|-------------------|------------------|-------------------------|--|
| SMA Lactose Free | 400g | April 2027 | 51150346AB 51719722BA 51759722BA 51829722BA 51979722BA 52109722BA 53459722BA 51500346AB 53299722BA |
| | | May 2027 August 2027 | |

Anti-reflux formula

| Brand name | Pack size | Best before date | Batch numbers |
|------------------------|------------------|--|--|
| Cow & Gate Anti-Reflux | 800g | All dates from 7 June 2026 to 18 February 2027 | |
| SMA Anti Reflux | 800g | June 2027 April 2027 | 51570742F3 52099722BB 52739722BA 52099722BA |

Hungry baby

| Brand name | Pack size | Best before date |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|---|
| Cow & Gate 1 First Infant Milk Hungry | 800g | All dates from 31 July 2026 to 23 February 2027 |
| Aptamil 1 First Infant Milk Hungry | 800g | All dates from 4 July 2026 to 24 February 2027 |

Comfort milk

| Brand name | Pack size | Best before date | Batch numbers |
|-------------------|------------------|----------------------------|--|
| SMA Comfort | 800g | September 2027 May 2027 | 52620742F3 51240742F3 51439722BA 51479722BA 51769722BA 52049722AA |

Follow-on formula

| Brand name | Pack size | Best before date |
|--|------------------|--|
| Aptamil 2 Follow On Milk | 800g | All dates from 18 June 2026 to 4 January 2027 |
| Aptamil 2 Follow On Milk | 700g | All dates from 5 August 2026 to 20 February 2027 |
| Aptamil 2 Follow On Milk Big Pack | 1.2kg | All dates from 23 July 2026 to 13 January 2027 |
| Aptamil 2 Follow On Milk Pre-measured Tabs | | All dates up to and including 17 January 2027 |

| Brand name | Pack size | Best before date | Batch numbers |
|-----------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|--|
| SMA Advanced Follow-On Milk | 800g | May 2027 July 2027 | 51240742F2 51890742F2 52879722AA |



Alfamino (amino acid formula)

| Brand name | Pack size | Best before date | Batch numbers |
|-------------------|------------------|--|--|
| SMA ALFAMINO | 400g | April 2027 May 2027 June 2027 October 2027 November 2027 | 51200017Y3 51210017Y1 51220017Y1 51250017Y1 51390017Y1 51420017Y2 51430017Y1 51460017Y1 51690017Y2 51690017Y3 51700017Y1 51710017Y1 51740017Y1 52760017Y5 52790017Y1 52860017Y1 53100017Y3 53110017Y1 53140017Y1 53140017Y2 53150017Y1 |