

Department of Justice | Drug Enforcement Administration

Emoji Drug Code Decoded

FAKE PRESCRIPTION PILLS • WIDELY AVAILABLE • INCREASINGLY LETHAL

The Drug Enforcement Administration is aware of drug trafficking organizations using emojis to buy and sell counterfeit pills and other illicit drugs on social media and through e-commerce.

Emojis, on their own, should not be indicative of illegal activity, but coupled with a change in behavior, change in appearance, or significant loss/increase in income should be a reason to start an important conversation. We understand initiating those conversations can be difficult so we have resources available at DEA.gov/onepill.



Popular Emoji Drug Codes

Oxycodone













































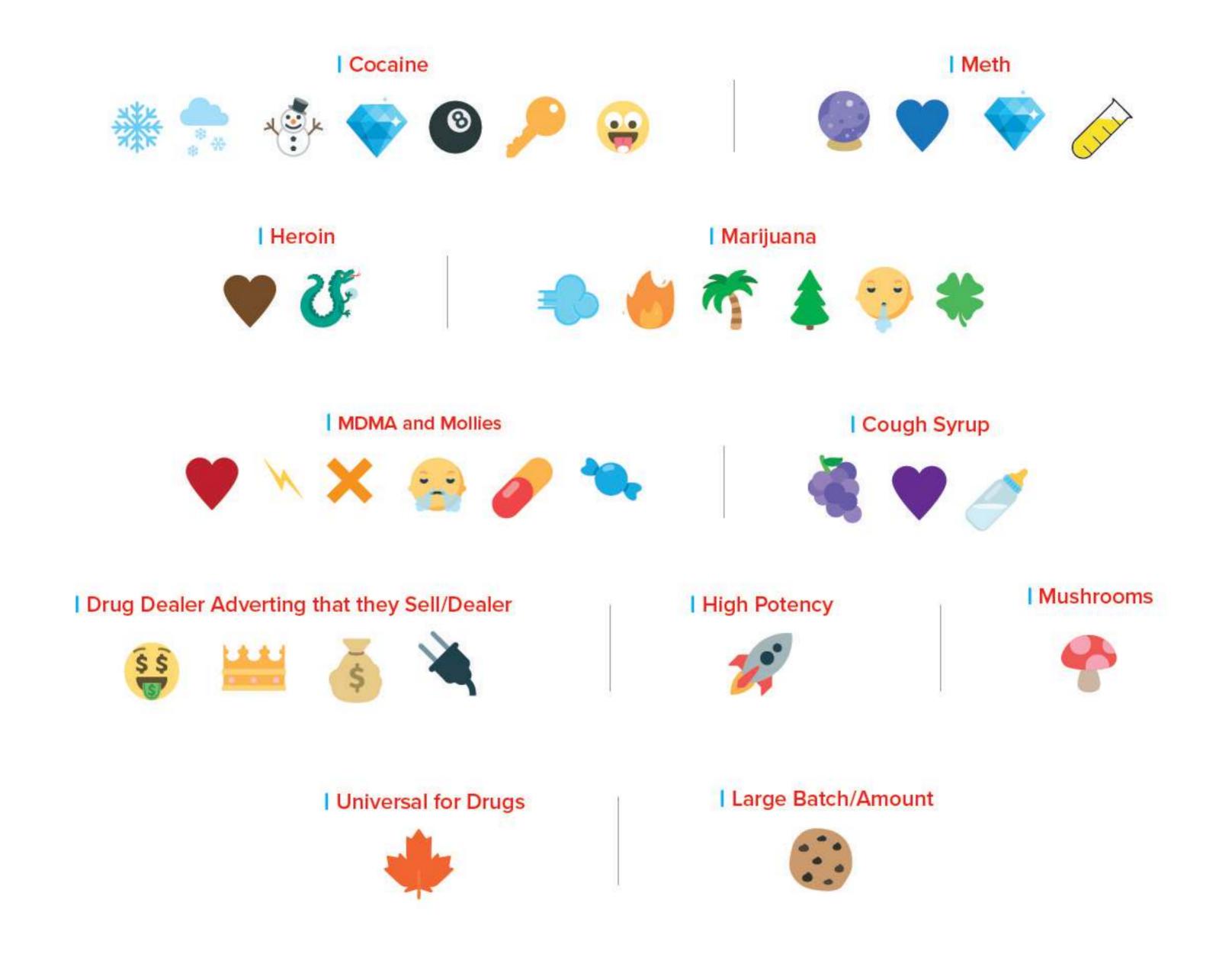






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Other Emoji Drug Codes



Combination Emoji Drug Codes





This reference guide is intended to give parents, caregivers, educators, and other influencers a better sense of how emojis are being used in conjunction with illegal drugs. It is important to note this list is not all-inclusive and the images above are a representative sample.