

# **USER MANUAL & SAFETY INFO**

ZuZu handmade plush toy



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#### 1. Introduction

## 1.1 Purpose and scope

This User Manual and Safety Information apply to ZuZu hand-crocheted (amigurumi) plush toys. Its purpose is to clearly summaries proper use, age grading, safety warnings, cleaning, and care/maintenance.

#### 1.2 Product overview

Hand-made soft textile product from polyester yarn with polyester filling, for the 3+ age category. Due to its hand-made nature, small aesthetic variations may occur; these do not affect safety.

#### 1.3 Intended audience

Parents, caregivers, gift-givers, and anyone who hands over, cleans, or maintains the toy.

## 1.4 Core principles

- Safety first: inspect the toy before use and regularly thereafter.
- 3+ only: not recommended under 36 months (risk of small parts and choking).
- Supervision: use under adult supervision is recommended.
- Gentle care: avoid excessive heat, strong rubbing, and harsh chemicals.

#### 1.5 Symbols (overview)

- CE EU conformity (mark at least 5 mm high).
- 0–3 crossed-out Not suitable for children under 36 months. Accompanying HU text:
- "Not suitable for children under 36 months small parts. Choking hazard."
- 3+ Recommended age.
- Adult supervision "Use under adult supervision is recommended."
- Fire symbol "Keep away from open flame."
- Care symbols Hand wash 30 °C, do not bleach, do not tumble dry, dry flat, do not iron.



# 2. Intended use & age grading

## 2.1 Proper use

Indoor soft plush toy intended for gentle play. Not an aid, not a load-bearing item.

## 2.2 Recommended environment

Dry, clean place, protected from heat and direct sunlight. Not for water; not a bath toy.

# 2.3 Age grading and markings

- 3+ only.
- Mandatory markings: 3+, 0–3 crossed-out symbol, HU warning text:
- Not suitable for children under 36 months small parts. Choking hazard.

## 2.4 Adult supervision

Use under adult supervision is recommended. Do not leave unattended with smaller children or around pets.

# 2.5 Misuse (prohibited)

- Teether or soother/teething aid.
- Pillow/support; do not sit/step/climb on it.
- Use in water (bath, pool).
- Near open flame / strong heat sources.
- After-market decoration with small parts (buttons, beads, magnets, glitter) or any gluing.

## 2.6 Packaging and hand-over

Before handing to the child, remove the packaging, hangtag, and its string. Plastic bag is not a toy.



# 3. Safety warnings

# 3.1 Mandatory markings and texts (product / hangtag / packaging)

- Age: 3+
- 0–3 crossed-out symbol
- Warning: Not suitable for children under 36 months small parts. Choking hazard.
- Fire warning: Keep away from open flame.

Mandatory elements must be visible at the point of purchase. As the hangtag is removable, duplicate the key warnings on the packaging as well.

## 3.2 Recommended additional warnings

- "Use under adult supervision is recommended."
- Pre-use check: before each handover and regularly, inspect seams and fastenings (especially eyes).
- If damaged: do not give to the child until repaired.
- Packaging/hangtag: remove the hangtag and string, and all packaging before use.
   Plastic bag is not a toy.

#### 3.3 Pre-handover checklist

- Plastic eyes are secure, do not rotate, do not wobble.
- Seams are intact, filling is not accessible.
- No loose thread, stretching, tear on the surface.
- Toy is dry, odour-free, clean.

#### 3.4 Prohibitions and situations to avoid

- Misuse: teether, pillow/support, seat, step, water/bath toy.
- After-market decoration/modification: sewing/gluing buttons, beads, glitter, magnets is prohibited (small-parts risk).
- Glue/solvent use is prohibited for repairs.
- Do not leave with pets unattended (risk of chewing/ingestion).



## 3.5 Fire and heat safety

- Keep away from open flame, candles, stoves, ovens, hot surfaces.
- For drying: do not place on radiators; do not use a tumble dryer; avoid direct sun.
- Note: all textiles are to some extent flammable; follow the above rules.

# 3.6 Packaging and hangtag

- Hangtag string must be short; do not form a large loop.
- Remove hangtag and string before handover.
- Packaging warning: "Remove packaging before giving the toy to the child. Plastic bag is not a toy."

# 3.7 Supervision during use

- Adult supervision recommended, especially with smaller children and during joint play.
- After strong pulling, throwing, biting, re-inspect toy integrity.
- If fuzzing/thread shedding or surface damage appears, suspend use and inspect.

# 3.8 Emergency actions (suspected ingestion / airway risk)

- Stop use immediately.
- Do not attempt to take the toy apart at home.
- If needed, seek medical attention / call emergency services.
- Keep the toy for examination and contact the manufacturer.

# 3.9 Reference to cleaning and storage

- Cleaning and care: see Section 4 (hand wash 30 °C, dry flat, do not bleach, do not tumble dry, do not iron).
- Storage: dry, cool place, protected from direct sun and moisture.



# 4. Cleaning & care

General principle: gentle hand cleaning at low temperature. The product is durable but not indestructible; excessive mechanical or chemical impact can damage the surface and seams.

# 4.1 Preparation

- Before use and before cleaning, inspect seams, fastenings (especially plastic eyes), and surface.
- Colorfastness test: rub a hidden area gently with a damp cloth; if color transfers, restrict to very gentle spot cleaning.
- Removable accessories: if any (clothing), wash separately with similar colors.

## 4.2 Hand cleaning (recommended)

- Lukewarm water (max. 30 °C) and neutral liquid detergent.
- Gently wash the surface; do not rub hard around eyes and seams.
- Do not soak for long.
- Rinse thoroughly with clean water.
- Blot excess water with a towel (gentle pressing).
- Do not wring or spin-dry (filling may clump; seams may open).

#### 4.3 Stain removal

- Immediate blotting: dab fresh stains with a soft, damp cloth.
- Gentle spot cleaning: little neutral detergent, soft sponge.
- Do not use: chlorine bleach, optical brighteners, solvent-based removers, disinfectant sprays (alcohol/chlorine).

# 4.4 Drying and reshaping

- Dry flat in a well-ventilated place, away from heat and direct sunlight.
- Do not use tumble dryer; do not place on radiators/ovens/heaters.
- Reshape gently by hand while drying.
- Do not iron.

## 4.5 Post-check and hand back

- After complete drying, re-check seams, fastenings (especially eye tightness), and surface.
- Only hand back to the child in intact condition.



## 4.6 Maintenance and storage

- If a loose thread appears, trim carefully; if persistent fuzzing/shedding occurs, suspend use and inspect the surface.
- Storage: dry, cool, dust- and moisture-free place, away from direct sunlight.
- Packaging: remove packaging and hangtag/string before use (the plastic bag is not a toy).

# 5. Inspection & repair

# 5.1 When to inspect

- On receipt (after first unboxing).
- Before every handover to the child.
- Regularly during use (recommended: at least weekly).
- After cleaning (when fully dry).
- After a drop/strong tug or heavy use.

## 5.2 What to inspect

- Plastic eye fastening: no rotation/wobble; no gap between backplate and head.
- Seams: no opening; filling not accessible.
- Surface: shedding, pilling, loose threads; if present, trim.
- Small parts: no detachable ornaments, buttons, beads (do not add such items later).
- Odour/stain: if unusual odour or strong discoloration appears, suspend use and clean per Section 4.

## 5.3 When not to give to the child

- If an eve is loose or rotates.
- If a seam is cracked, filling visible.
- If heavy shedding or surface damage is visible.
- If wet (still drying).
- If an intruding item (e.g., needle, clip) is suspected inside.

# 5.4 Simple home fixes (minor cosmetic issue)

- Loose thread: carefully trim with a clean, sharp scissor.
- Very small surface issue (near a seam): if skilled, use hidden stitches (matching, strong synthetic thread) for surface-only correction.
- Do not: use glue; leave any needle/wire inside; attempt any intervention on the eves.
- If unsure, do not repair at home; contact the manufacturer.



#### 5.5 When to contact the manufacturer

- Eye fastening issue (rotation, loosening).
- Structural issue (seam opening, accessible filling).
- Repeated shedding/pilling even after cleaning.
- Questions about cleaning or materials.

#### 6. Manufacturer

#### 6.1 Manufacturer identification

- Manufacturer (legal form): Kiss Bettina sole trader (ZuZu)
- Country of manufacture: Hungary (HU)
- Brand / webshop: ZuZu zuzushop.eu

#### 6.2 Contact

- Postal address: 2472 Kajászó, Köztársaság utca 83/A, Hungary
- E-mail: bettina.kiss@zuzushop.eu
- Web: www.zuzushop.eu
- For questions or issues, please contact us by e-mail. We may request additional information (photos, order details).

## 6.3 Product identification and traceability

SKU: [CHAR]-[FAMILY]-[SIZE]-[COLOR]-[REV]

- Batch code: [YYYY-MM-batch] (e.g. 2025-10-B01)
- SKU + batch code are indicated on the removable hangtag/packaging.
- We recommend keeping the codes (photo or store the hangtag) for future reference.

#### 6.4 Fault report / repair request

- Please e-mail:
  - o short description of the issue,
  - o photo(s) of the defect and the whole product,
  - SKU + batch code,
  - o order ID / invoice (if available).
  - We will then confirm the next steps (inspection, repair, replacement options).



# 6.5 Document details

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