# beautyUPDATE

# THEY'RE BAAACK!

Next time your fave products get nixed, take a stand! Brands returned these gems to shelves after shoppers spoke up.





Estee Lauder TurboLash Motion Mascara, \$30, has a vibrating brush to separate lashes.

Pro's opinion "The vibrations tickled, but I was able to thicken even hard-to-reach lashes," says Emily Kate Warren, a makeup artist in New York City.

Tester's take
"Clumping was a
nonissue. I
only wish
you could
switch the
buzzing
off and
still use
it says
Laurie
Gay, a
lawyer
in NYC

Pro's opinion "The heat sets the curl better than a regular curler, but I would love it if it squeezed lashes harder to make a more dramatic bend,' Warren says.

**Double Curl Lash** 

Curler, \$15, uses

heat to curl lashes at

the base and the tip.

Tester's
take "I was
skeptical,
but I learned
that a little
heat goes
a long way.
My lashes,
which
usually fall
flat, stayed
curled all
day long,"
Gay says.
SELF says:

Thierry Mugler Vinyl Gloss, \$49, gives lashes a shiny effect, almost like

patent leather

Pro's opinion "It's great for getting the baby-doll lash look because it's like a paintbrush. But a large amount comes

out, so it
might be
difficult for
newbies."
Tester's take
"My lashes
look longer
and almost
wet. The
only con is
that it takes
a while
to coat
each lash."
SELF Says:

Spinlash, \$15, rotates around lashes (in both directions) as it coats them with black mascara.

Pro's opinion "It spins really slowly, so it takes more time to apply. Although I do like that reversing the spinning helps you get extra separation." Tester's take "The spinning means you don't have to brush your lashes over and over. But it took one minute to get the mascara on, and the formula quickly flaked." **SELF savs:** 

## **BE A SMART SWAPPER**

SELF says:

When it comes to trading beauty products with pals, you have to be careful not to exchange germs and bacteria. SELF asked the experts for safe sharing strategies.

## **SKIP IT**

"Anything unsealed poses a risk of passing on germs," says Heidi Waldorf, M.D., a dermatologist in NYC. The biggest threat: eyeliners, which come closest to the mucous membrane. Swappers should also be wary of products in pots, which harbor bacteria from double-dipping with brushes or fingers.

### **SWAP IT**

Products with packaging that protects the contents from direct skin contact are less likely to be germy. Feel free to exchange hairsprays, spray fragrances and makeup in pump dispensers. Unopened products are worth trading if they haven't expired (about one year).

### **SANITIZE IT**

Safely share makeup brushes by degerming them first. Wash them with a facial antibacteri cleanser until the runoff is clear. Clean combs at hairbrushes by running them under warm wate Then apply shampoo and scrub until the soal is gone, says Jody Levine M.D., a dermatologist in NYC.

—Mariel Rittenhouse

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