

# Failing food report - September 2019

This report details food that was found to fail under the Imported Food Inspection Scheme during the month. For full data on activity and compliance under the Scheme refer to the annual Imported Food Inspection Data reports.

### Risk food tests (targeted monitoring of food for compliance to safety standards)

The Department of Agriculture (the department) targets and monitors food determined to pose a high or medium risk to public health. Risk food is targeted at the rate of 100 per cent until a history of compliance is established.

Tables 1 and 2 detail where noncompliant food was detected.

The noncompliant food was not distributed for sale in Australia. It was destroyed by the importer or re-exported to the country of origin under department supervision. More information on risk food and the tests applied under the IFIS can be found on the Tests applied to risk food webpages.

#### Table 1 Microbiological/Allergen tests

| Date of fail | Product description                 | Country of origin | Producer name                          | Reason for fail           | Result/s                               | Units | Reference      |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|--|---------------------------|--|-------|----------------|
| 3/09/2019    | Extra hot chilli<br>powder          | India             | Shah Exim Pvt Ltd                      | Salmonella                | Detected                               | /125g | SPI 06/2019    |
| 16/09/2019   | Frozen<br>marinara mix              | China             | Shandong Tongxing Foodstuffs<br>Co Ltd | E. coli                   | <2.3, <2.3, 43.0, <2.3, <2.3           | MPN/g | MSM<br>11/2018 |
| 16/09/2019   | Frozen whole cooked brandy crawfish | China             | Standard Plate Count                   | Standard plate count      | 19000, 2100000, 22000,<br>26000, 27000 | cfu/g | CRU 03/2019    |
| 2/09/2019    | Cheese                              | Italy             | Casa Madaio                            | Listeria<br>monocytogenes | Detected                               | /125g | CHE 07/2018    |

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## Table 2 Chemical/Contaminant/Composition/Toxin test results

| Date of fail | Product description                   | Country of origin | Producer name                       | Reason for fail  | Result/s  | Units | Reference      |
|--------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|--|---|-------|----------------|
| 3/09/2019    | Seasoned seaweed                      | Japan             | Kurakon Foods Corporation           | lodine   | 3400  | mg/kg | BSW<br>12/2016 |
| 9/09/2019    | Sardines in tomato sauce              | China             | Sunny Success International Ltd     | Histamine  | 280   | mg/kg | HIS<br>12/2016 |
| 16/09/2019   | Spicy gram<br>flour coated<br>peanuts | India             | Sunshine Food Products              | Aflatoxin  | 0.015 product contains 67 per cent peanut, therefore the calculated maximum level is 0.01 | mg/kg | NUT<br>11/2018 |
| 18/09/2019   | Satay sauce                           | Indonesia         | Pt Enak Jaya Makmur                 | Aflatoxin  | 0.025   | mg/kg | NUT<br>11/2018 |
| 16/09/2019   | Dried thora fish                      | Sri Lanka         | Damayanthi Ent & Exp (Sri<br>Lanka) | Histamine  | 210   | mg/kg | HIS<br>12/2016 |
| 29/08/2019   | Kelp powder                           | China             | Xi'an Pincredit Bio-Tech Co Ltd     | lodine   | 6660  | mg/kg | BSW<br>12/2016 |
| 30/09/2019   | Peanut spread                         | Philippines       | Unilever Phils                      | Composition Vitamin B1, Vitamin acetate, Vitamin A Palmitate, Vitamin D3 | Not permitted in this food  |       | FSC 1.3.2      |

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#### Random monitoring of food for compliance

The department operates a five per cent random surveillance scheme to monitor a range of food imported into Australia for compliance to some standards in the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code. These tests are applied as part of a rolling program of surveillance food and are therefore subject to change.

More information on surveillance food and the tests applied can be found on the <u>Tests applied to surveillance</u> food webpage.

Table 3 details where results were found to be noncompliant with food standards. Future consignments of this food are subject to an increased rate of testing until a history of compliance is achieved.

To increase the rate of testing, a legal instrument referred to as a 'holding order' is issued to refer food from a particular overseas producer for increased testing. The words 'HO match' indicate the fail was against an existing holding order. A new instrument is not issued for subsequent fails to an existing holding order.

**Table 3 Surveillance food test results** 

| Date of fail | Product description              | Country of origin | Producer<br>name  | Test applied                       | Reason for fail              | Result/s                            | Units | Reference | Holding<br>order<br>number |
|--------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|---|------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------|-----------|----------------------------|
| 3/09/2019    | Steamed<br>red bean<br>grain bun | China             | Shanghai Light<br>Industrial<br>Products Imp&<br>Exp Corp.Ltd | Composition                        | Vitamin C                    | Not<br>permitted<br>in this<br>food |       | FSC 1.3.2 | 15350                      |
| 19/09/2019   | Flavoured<br>pan masala          | India             | Dharampal<br>Premchand<br>Ltd                                 | Composition                        | Areca catechu<br>(Betel nut) | Prohibited plant                    |       | FSC 1.4.4 | 15435                      |
| 5/09/2019    | Dried haw                        | China             | Yongxiang<br>Food<br>Processing<br>Plant                      | Fruit and vegetable residue screen | Carbendazim<br>Cyhalothrin   | 0.20<br>0.12                        | mg/kg | FSC 1.4.2 | 15351                      |

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| Date of fail | Product description                   | Country of origin    | Producer<br>name                                   | Test applied                       | Reason for fail   | Result/s                            | Units | Reference | Holding<br>order<br>number |
|--------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|--|------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|-------|-----------|----------------------------|
| 11/09/2019   | Coffee                                | Thailand             | Nature Gift  | Composition                        | Niacinamide,  | Not                                 |       | FSC 1.3.2 | 15359                      |
| 11/09/2019   | Coffee                                | mananu               | (Thailand) Ltd<br>Dk Health<br>Product Lyd<br>Part | Composition                        | Iron, Manganese, Calcium D- Pantothenate, Riboflavin, Chromium        | permitted<br>in this<br>food        |       | FSC 1.3.2 | 15359                      |
| 5/09/2019    | Ramen<br>noodles<br>pork broth        | Japan                | Marutai Co.,<br>Ltd                                | Composition                        | Additive 165<br>(Gardenia blue)                                       | Not permitted in this food          |       | FSC 1.3.1 | 15360                      |
| 6/09/2019    | Spinach<br>leaves                     | India                | Vadilal<br>Industries<br>Limited                   | Fruit and vegetable residue screen | Chlorpyrifos  | 0.09                                | mg/kg | FSC 1.4.2 | HO Match                   |
| 5/09/2019    | Instant<br>noodles                    | Japan                | Toyo Suisan<br>Kaisha Ltd                          | Composition                        | Additive 165<br>(Gardenia blue)<br>Additive 180<br>(Lithol Rubine BK) | Not<br>permitted<br>in this<br>food |       | FSC 1.3.1 | 15367                      |
| 5/09/2019    | Canned<br>yellow<br>peaches           | Republic of<br>Korea | Penguin<br>General Food<br>Co Ltd (Korea)          | Lead                               | Lead  | 0.20                                | mg/kg | FSC 1.4.1 | 15368                      |
| 13/09/2019   | Formulated supplemen tary sports food | United<br>States     | 4excelsior<br>Pharma Spirit                        | Composition                        | Acacia rigidula   | Unapprov<br>ed novel<br>food        |       | FSC 1.5.1 | 15369                      |
| 6/09/2019    | Taro<br>flavoured<br>powder           | Taiwan               | King Heng<br>Foods Co Ltd                          | Composition                        | Additive E 127<br>(Erythrosine)                                       | Not<br>permitted                    |       | FSC 1.3.1 | 15372                      |

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|--------------|----------------------------|----------------------|---|------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|-----------|----------------------------|
|              |                            |                      |   |                                    |                              | in this<br>food            |       |           |                            |
| 23/09/2019   | Wheaten<br>flour           | Taiwan               | Yi-Feng Food<br>Co., Ltd.                                   | Composition                        | Vitamin C                    | Not permitted in this food |       | FSC 1.3.2 | HO Match                   |
| 19/09/2019   | Dried<br>Chinese<br>dates  | China                | Bozhou<br>Haomen<br>Chinese<br>Herbal<br>Medicine Co<br>Ltd | Fruit and vegetable residue screen | Cypermethrin                 | 0.11                       | mg/kg | FSC 1.4.2 | 15384                      |
| 26/09/2019   | Boiled<br>bracken          | Republic of<br>Korea | Singwang<br>Ecofarm Co<br>Ltd                               | Composition                        | Pteridium<br>aquilinum       | Prohibited plant           |       | FSC 1.4.4 | HO Match                   |
| 27/09/2019   | Dried<br>hawthorn<br>fruit | China                | Guang Dong<br>Jiexi Maolin<br>Food Co Ltd                   | Fruit and vegetable residue screen | Carbendazim,<br>Tebuconazole | 0.65<br>0.12               | mg/kg | FSC 1.4.2 | 15390                      |
| 17/09/2019   | High gluten<br>flour       | Taiwan               | Yi-Feng Food<br>Co., Ltd.                                   | Composition                        | Vitamin C                    | Not permitted in this food |       | FSC 1.3.2 | HO Match                   |
| 12/09/2019   | Lemon<br>juice             | Nepal                | Bs Nepal Trade<br>Link Pvt Ltd                              | Composition                        | Vitamin E                    | Not permitted in this food |       | FSC 1.3.2 | 15381                      |

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