

Food Recalls in EU – Week 47/2015

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Food Recalls: European Union Abstract:

This article is a recent extraction of data from the European Commission RASFF (Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed) and reports all the main food safety issues in the EU of last week (separated by type of risk and of notification).

Main Article:

This week on the EU RASFF (Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed), we find the following notifications:

1. Alerts followed by a recall from consumers:

- [Allergens: undeclared milk ingredient \(>67.5: 32 mg/kg – ppm\)](#) in organic chocolate flavoured soy drink from France, following company's own check. Notified by France, distributed also to Luxembourg, Portugal, and Spain.

2. Information for attention/for follow up followed by a recall from consumers:

- None

3. Alerts followed by a withdrawal from the market:

- [Composition: risk of overdose with nicotinic acid \(1528 mg/kg – ppm\)](#) from consuming food supplement from the United States, via the Netherlands, following an official control on the market. Notified by France.
- [FCM \(Food Contact Materials\): migration of primary aromatic amines \(0.036 µg/kg – ppm\)](#) from stainless steel and nylon turner from Hong Kong, via Slovakia, following an official control on the market. Notified by Poland.
- [FCM \(Food Contact Materials\): migration of primary aromatic amines \(0.054g µg/kg – ppb\)](#) from nylon spoon from Hong Kong, via Slovakia, following an official control on the market. Notified by Poland.
- [Pathogenic microorganisms: shigatoxin-producing *Escherichia coli* \(stx1/ stx2+, O174 presence/25g\)](#) in frozen kangaroo fillet from Australia, following an official control on the market. Notified by Netherlands, distributed also to Belgium and Germany.

4. Seizures:

- [Pathogenic microorganisms: shigatoxin-producing *Escherichia coli* \(presence/25g\)](#) in roast beef from Germany, following an official control on the market. Notified by Italy.

5. Border rejections:

- **Absence of certified analytical report** for sesame sauce from China
- **Acetamidiprid** (0.682 mg/kg – ppm) in fresh peppers from Turkey
- **Aflatoxins** (B1 = 10.5; Tot. = 17.2 µg/kg – ppb) in dried figs, in dried fig cubes (B1 = 9.7; Tot. = 21.5 µg/kg – ppb) and in dried figs with rice flour (B1 = 18.49; Tot. = 19.2 µg/kg – ppb) from Turkey
- **Aflatoxins** (B1 = 12.9; Tot. = 14.6 µg/kg – ppb) in raw pistachios in shell from Iran
- **Aflatoxins** (B1 = 14.9; Tot. = 16.1 µg/kg – ppb) in nutmeg powder from India
- **Aflatoxins** (B1 = 3.44 / B1 = 3.46 µg/kg – ppb) in groundnuts blanched from Brazil
- **Aflatoxins** (B1 = 6 µg/kg – ppb) in groundnut kernels and in granulated dried chili (B1 = 69; Tot. = 77 µg/kg – ppb) from China
- **Attempt to illegally import** frozen hake (*Merluccius merluccius*) from Senegal
- **Benzo(a)pyrene** (3.73 µg/kg – ppb) and **polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons** (14.35 µg/kg – ppb) in refined bleached deodorized palm olein from Malaysia
- **Chlorpyrifos** (0.42 mg/kg – ppm) and unauthorized substance **phenthoate** (0.06 mg/kg – ppm) in olives in brine (whole black picual olives) from Egypt
- **E 385 – calcium disodium ethylene diamine tetra-acetate (CDEDTA)** unauthorized and unauthorized food additive **brominated vegetable oil (BVO)** in carbonated drink from Kuwait
- **Ethion** (0.17 mg/kg – ppm) in raisins from Iran
- **Salmonella** (presence in 4 of 13 samples /25g) in fish meal from Mauritania
- **Fosthiazate** (0.063 mg/kg – ppm) in fresh pepper from Turkey
- **Fraudulent health certificate(s)** for frozen yellowfin tuna (*Thunnus albacares*) from Belize
- **Mercury** (0.84 mg/kg – ppm) in chilled John Dory (*Zeus faber*) from Tunisia
- **Salmonella** (detected /25g) in betel leaves from India
- **Shigatoxin-producing Escherichia coli** (O142:H38 /25g) in frozen boneless beef (*bos taurus*) from Brazil
- **Tau-fluvalinate** (0.027 mg/kg – ppm) in sweet peppers from Turkey
- **Too high content of vitamin D** (2500% of NRVs), of **vitamin B12** (40000% of NRVs), and of **vitamin E** (2225% NRVs), and unauthorized novel food ingredients **leaves of Annona muricata** and **raspberry ketone** in food supplements from the United States
- Unauthorized substance **dithiocarbamates** (0.093 mg/kg – ppm) in dragon fruit from Vietnam

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