

CFS urges public not to consume batch of prepackaged butternut squash soup imported from UK suspected to contain pieces of metal

The Centre for Food Safety (CFS) of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department today (October 3) urged the public not to consume a batch of prepackaged butternut squash soup imported from United Kingdom (UK) as the product might contain pieces of metal. The CFS is following up on the case.

Product details are as follows:

Product name: Smooth Butternut Squash Soup
Brand: M&S
Place of origin: United Kingdom
Pack size: 600 grams
Sole importer: Alf Retail Hong Kong Limited
Use-by date: October 6, 2024

A spokesman for the CFS said, "The CFS, through its Food Incident Surveillance System, has seen notices issued by the Food Standards Agency of the UK and the Food Safety Authority of Ireland that the above-mentioned product may contain pieces of metal, and is being recalled."

Upon learning of the incident, the CFS immediately followed up with major local importers and retailers. A preliminary investigation found that the above-mentioned sole importer had imported the affected product, which was on sale in its chain stores. The importer has already stopped sales, removed from shelves the affected product and initiated a recall. Members of the public may call its hotline at 3656 2253 during office hours for enquiries about the recall.

The CFS will alert the trade to the incident, continue to follow up and take appropriate action. An investigation is ongoing.