

CFS urges public not to consume several kinds of bakery products from France with possible presence of ethylene oxide

The Centre for Food Safety (CFS) of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department today (November 13) urged the public not to consume several kinds of bakery products imported from France because the sesame seed used were found earlier with a possible carcinogenic substance, ethylene oxide. The trade should stop using or selling the products concerned immediately if they possess them.

Details of the products are as follows:

Product name:

Frozen Stone Oven Part-baked Multigrain Loaf 450G Bridor By Frederic Lalos
Museli Bread 280G x 26 Part-baked Bridor By Frederic Lalos
Frozen Stone Oven Part-baked Multigrain Loaf 1, 1KG Bridor By Frederic Lalos
Frozen Stone Oven Part-baked Multigrain Loaf 280G Bridor By Frederic Lalos
Frozen Stone Oven Part-baked Nordic Loaf 330G Bridor Evasion Range
Frozen Stone Oven Part-baked Rye and Cereals Half-Baguette 120G Bridor the Gourmet

Brand: Bridor

Place of origin: France

Manufacturer: Bridor

Importer: Bakery Facilities Ltd

Batch: 3490011, 3513023, 3535591, 3403726, 3452930, 3403731, 3535601, 3490042, 3459190, 3511267, 3581993

Expiry date: March 17, 2021 to December 30, 2021

A spokesman for the CFS said, "The CFS received a notification from the Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed (RASFF) of the European Commission that the above-mentioned products used sesame seed which were found earlier with a possible carcinogenic substance, ethylene oxide and is being recalled. According to the information provided by the RASFF, the affected products have been imported into Hong Kong. Upon learning of the incident, the CFS immediately contacted local major importers and retailers for follow-up."

Preliminary investigation found that importer Bakery Facilities Ltd had imported some of the affected products into Hong Kong. The CFS immediately contacted the importer concerned for follow-up. The importers have initiated a recall according to the CFS' instructions. Enquiries about the recall can be made to the hotline at 2407 8311 during office hours.

The spokesman urged consumers not to consume the affected products if they have bought any. The trade should also stop using or selling the products concerned immediately if they possess them.

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