

Import ban on raw oysters produced by Dungarvan Shellfish Ltd or harvested in Dungarvan Bay (harvest location code: WD-DB-DN) of Ireland lifted

The Centre for Food Safety (CFS) previously received a notification from the Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed (RASFF) of the European Commission that raw oysters harvested in Dungarvan Bay (harvest location code: WD-DB-DN) and produced by Dungarvan Shellfish Ltd were found to be contaminated with Norovirus. For the sake of prudence, CFS has banned the import into Hong Kong of all raw oysters produced by the producer or harvested in the area concerned since January 13 this year to safeguard food safety and public health.

In view of the submission of an investigation report and the implementation of surveillance programmes by the Irish authorities, CFS has conducted an assessment and decided to lift the import ban imposed on raw oysters harvested from the above-mentioned area or produced by the producer concerned with immediate effect.

CFS will continue to monitor closely raw oysters imported from the area. Appropriate actions will be taken to safeguard food safety and public health.

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