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### **Heading**

The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) – A notice regarding a public health alert of a ready-to-eat Kirkland Signature chicken tortilla soup product in the United States due to misbranding issue, in which the label declares the product as gluten-free, a false negative claim.

### The incident

The FSIS of the USDA issued a notice regarding a public health alert of a ready-to-eat Kirkland Signature chicken tortilla soup product in the United States due to misbranding issue, in which the label declares the product as gluten-free, a false negative claim.

### Affected product:

- 2-Ib. tubs containing "KIRKLAND Signature CHICKEN TORTILLA SOUP WITH WHITE CHICKEN MEAT"
  - with "USE BY: 11/23/23" and lot code 1394066 printed on the side of the cup just below the lip
  - The ready-to-eat chicken tortilla soup items were produced on July 26, 2023.
  - The products bear establishment number "P-18468" inside the USDA mark of inspection.

Details of product being affected are listed in the website of the FSIS of the USDA.

#### Source

Website of the FSIS of the USDA

https://www.fsis.usda.gov/recalls-alerts/fsis-issues-public-health-alert-kirkland-signature-chicken-tortilla-soup-product-due

# Position of CFS

 Information on product distribution outside the US is not available from the website of the FSIS of the USDA. The Centre for Food Safety (CFS) is investigating whether the affected product has been imported to Hong Kong and is contacting

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the relevant authority for further information. Preliminary investigation did not identify local sale or import of the affected product.

- Acquisition of the product through online purchase or international travel cannot be excluded.
- Consumers who are allergic to gluten should discard the product and not consume it.
- CFS will remain vigilant and monitor for any new development and take appropriate actions when necessary.
- Investigation by CFS is ongoing.
- People who are allergic to gluten may have immunologic response like vomiting, diarrhoea and rash upon consumption of food containing this allergen. In severe cases, anaphylactic shock may even develop. As for other members of the public, generally speaking, they would not be subject to such reactions when the food in question is consumed.

## Additional information

NA

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