

# 食物事故報表 Food Incident Post



<b>Heading</b>	The Ministry for Primary Industry (MPI) of New Zealand – A public health warning against collecting or consuming shellfish from Surfdale and Blackpool beaches due to the possible presence of biotoxins (Lyngbyatoxin-A).
<b>The incident</b>	<p>The MPI of New Zealand issued a public health warning against collecting or consuming shellfish from Surfdale and Blackpool beaches due to the possible presence of biotoxins (Lyngbyatoxin-A).</p> <p>Affected products:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Bivalve shellfish such as mussels, oysters, tuatua, pipi, toheroa, cockles, and scallops, as well as pūpū (cat's eyes), Cook's turban and kina (sea urchin)</li> <li>● At this stage, finfish are not included in the public health warning, but New Zealand Food Safety advise people to gut the fish and discard the liver before cooking.</li> </ul> <p>Details of products being affected are listed in the MPI website.</p>
<b>Source</b>	<p>Website of the MPI</p> <p><a href="https://www.mpi.govt.nz/news/media-releases/public-health-warning-shellfish-biotoxin-alert-for-waiheke-island/">https://www.mpi.govt.nz/news/media-releases/public-health-warning-shellfish-biotoxin-alert-for-waiheke-island/</a></p>
<b>Position of CFS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• According to the information of MPI, commercially harvested shellfish – sold in shops and supermarkets, or exported – is subject to strict water and flesh monitoring programmes by MPI.</li> <li>• Acquisition of the products through international travel cannot be excluded.</li> <li>• Lyngbyatoxin-A is a biotoxin which can cause skin and eye irritation and respiratory issues. It is heat-stable and cannot be destroyed through cooking.</li> <li>• Consumers should discard the products and not consume them.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>CFS will remain vigilant and monitor for any new development and take appropriate actions when necessary.</li></ul>
<b>Additional information</b>	NA

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