

食物事故報表 Food Incident Post



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| Heading | The US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) issued a notice regarding a recall of Whole Foods Market Organic Carrot Sticks and Organic Carrots & Celery in the US by F&S Fresh Foods due to potential Shiga toxin-producing <i>Escherichia coli</i> (<i>E. coli</i>) O121:H19 contamination. |
| The incident | <p>The US FDA issued a notice regarding a recall Whole Foods Market Organic Carrot Sticks and Organic Carrots & Celery in the US by F&S Fresh Foods due to potential Shiga toxin-producing <i>E. coli</i> O121:H19 contamination.</p> <p>Recalled product:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Whole Foods Market 15 oz. Organic Carrot Sticks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Coding information will include the letters "GH" followed by three digits ranging from 236 – 284 ■ Whole Foods Market 15 oz. Organic Carrots & Celery <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Coding information will include the letters "GH" followed by three digits ranging from 236 – 284 <p>Details of product being recalled are listed in the website of the FDA.</p> |
| Source | <p>Website of the FDA</p> <p>https://www.fda.gov/safety/recalls-market-withdrawals-safety-alerts/fs-fresh-foods-recalls-whole-foods-market-organic-carrot-sticks-and-organic-carrots-celery-because</p> |
| Position of CFS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information on product distribution outside the US is not available from the website of the FDA. The Centre for Food Safety (CFS) is investigating whether the affected product has been imported to Hong Kong and is contacting 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. |

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- Consumers 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 contract *E. coli*, which is a gastro-intestinal infection, through consumption of contaminated water or undercooked and contaminated foods. Intestinal bleeding and serious complications such as haemolytic uraemic syndrome (HUS) and even death may develop in some cases. Moreover, due to poor personal hygiene, person-to-person transmission of this pathogen is possible through oral-faecal route. *E. coli* cannot survive under high temperature and can be killed by thorough cooking.

Additional information

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