

食物事故報表 Food Incident Post



Heading	The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) of the United States and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) – Notices regarding a recall of Alfalfa Sprouts sold under the Calco and Everything Sprouts brands in the US by Everything Sprouts because it has the potential to be contaminated with <i>Salmonella</i> and Shiga toxin-producing <i>Escherichia coli</i> (STEC), and is linked to an outbreak of <i>Salmonella</i> and <i>E. coli</i> infections. (Update to Food Incident Post issued on 21 August 2026)
The incident	The CDC of the United States and the U.S. FDA issued notices regarding a recall of Alfalfa Sprouts sold under the Calco and Everything Sprouts brands in the US by Everything Sprouts because it has the potential to be contaminated with <i>Salmonella</i> and Shiga toxin-producing <i>Escherichia coli</i> (STEC), and is linked to an outbreak of <i>Salmonella</i> and <i>E. coli</i> infections. Recalled products: ■ Alfalfa sprouts produced by Everything Sprouts sold under the Calco and Everything Sprouts brand, including ● Everything Sprouts and Calco branded Alfalfa Sprouts ◆ packaged in individual 5oz plastic containers bearing the following bar codes: 860014523113, 860014523120 and 850079470149. ◆ The Alfalfa Sprout products subject to this recall include Alfalfa 6/5oz, Alfalfa 12/6/5oz packages with the following lot numbers: LOT #222, 223, 225, 226, 230. ● These same Alfalfa sprouts were also used in Everything Sprouts

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	◆ Crunchy Protein Sprout Mix 5oz cups, LOT# 222, 223, 226, 230, and ◆ Zesty Garlic Mix cups, LOT# 222, 223, 225, 226, and 230. For details, please refer to the websites of the CDC and FDA of the US.
Source	Website of the CDC of the United States https://www.cdc.gov/ecoli/outbreaks/alfalfa-sprouts-08-26/index.html Website of the U.S. FDA https://www.fda.gov/safety/recalls-market-withdrawals-safety-alerts/everything-sprouts-llc-recalls-alfalfa-sprouts-due-potential-e-coli-and-salmonella-risk
Position of CFS	• Information on product distribution outside the United States is not available from the websites of the CDC and FDA of the US. The Centre for Food Safety (CFS) is investigating whether the affected products have 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 products. • Acquisition of the products through online purchase or international travel cannot be excluded. • Consumers should discard the products and not consume them. • CFS will remain vigilant and monitor for any new development and take appropriate actions when necessary. • Investigation by CFS is ongoing. • Some strains of <i>E. coli</i> can cause diseases through the production of a toxin called Shiga toxin. These strains are called

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STEC. STEC infection is transmitted by faecal-oral route through contaminated food and water, or direct contact with STEC carrying animals. Moreover, due to poor personal hygiene, person-to-person transmission of this pathogen is possible through oral-faecal route. Symptoms of STEC infection include abdominal pain and watery diarrhoea that may in some cases progress to bloody diarrhoea. Fever and vomiting may also occur. Intestinal bleeding and serious complications such as haemolytic uraemic syndrome may also develop in some people. *E. coli*, including STEC, cannot survive under high temperature and can be killed by thorough cooking.

- *Salmonella* infection may cause fever and gastrointestinal upset such as abdominal pain and diarrhoea. People with lowered immunity such as infants and the elderly could present with more severe and even life-threatening infection.

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