



**Australian Government**  
**Department of Agriculture,  
 Water and the Environment**

# Imported food holding order—food posing a serious risk to human health

Sections 15(3) & (4) of the *Imported Food Control Act 1992* (the Act)

Holding order number:

THO21001

Date:

04/09/2021

## Section A: The basis for this Order

Section 15(3) of the Act

I am satisfied that there are reasonable grounds for believing that food of a particular kind may pose a risk to human health, and that this risk is serious.

or

Section 15(4) of the Act

The time period of the holding order made under Section 15 (3) may be extended, and an extension may be made more than once.

## Section B: Food that this Order covers

This Order covers food identified in the table below that is imported into Australia after the making of this Order.

Country of origin	Jordan
Product description	Medjool dates
Producer name	WHITE SAND PALM DATES FARM AND AGRICULTURE PRODUCTS

Until this Order is revoked, food that this Order covers, that is imported into Australia after the making of this Order, must be held in a place to be approved by an authorised officer in writing:

- (a) for a period of 28 days commencing the day this Order is made; or
- (b) if this order has been extended, until the end of the extended period; or
- (c) until the time when this Order is revoked.

## Section C: The circumstances under which this Order will be revoked

This Order remains in force until the Secretary (or delegate) revokes it. This Order will immediately be revoked under these circumstances:

The Secretary is satisfied that the basis for the order, being the risk of hepatitis A contamination in imports of Medjool dates from White Sand Palm Dates Farm and Agriculture Products in Jordan, has been mitigated such that there is no longer a serious risk to human health.

**Delegate position number**

**Date**

100968

03/09/2021

Delegate of the Secretary appointed under Section 41 of the Act for the purposes of Section 15 of the Act.