



## Failing Food Report – August 2019

This report details food that was found to fail under the Imported Food Inspection Scheme during the month. For full data on activity and compliance under the Scheme refer to the annual [Imported Food Inspection Data](#) reports.

### Risk food tests (targeted monitoring of food for compliance to safety standards)

The Department of Agriculture (the department) targets and monitors food determined to pose a high or medium risk to public health. [Risk food](#) is targeted at the rate of 100 per cent until a history of compliance is established.

The table details where noncompliant food was detected.

The noncompliant food was not distributed for sale in Australia. It was destroyed by the importer or re-exported to the country of origin under department supervision. More information on risk food and the tests applied under the IFIS can be found on the [Tests applied to risk food](#) webpages.

### Microbiological / Allergen tests

Date of fail	Product description	Country of origin	Producer name	Reason for fail	Result/s	Units	Reference
1/08/2019	Frozen cooked whole craw fish	China	Zhejiang Tianhe Aquatic Products Inc., Ltd	Standard plate count	630 000, 600 000, 4 000 000, 300 000, 28 000 000	cfu/g	<a href="#">CRU 03/2019</a>
5/08/2019	Chilli powder	India	Kottackal Agro Foods	<i>Salmonella</i>	Detected	/125g	<a href="#">SPI 06/2019</a>
6/08/2019	Diced mozzarella cheese	Italy	Europomella Spa (It 12/009 Ce)	<i>Listeria monocytogenes</i>	Detected	/125g	<a href="#">CHE 07/2018</a>
22/08/2019	Chilli powder	India	Spectrum International	<i>Salmonella</i>	Detected	/125g	<a href="#">SPI 06/2019</a>
23/08/2019	Tahini	Pakistan	Tat Pakistan Sesame Mills	<i>Salmonella</i>	Detected	/125g	<a href="#">SES 05/2014</a>
30/08/2019	Halawah with pistachio	Syria	Al Asala Foodstuff Co	<i>Listeria monocytogenes</i>	Detected	/125g	<a href="#">SES 05/2014</a>



**Chemical/Contaminant/Toxin test results**

Date of fail	Product description	Country of origin	Producer name	Reason for fail	Result/s	Units	Reference
5/08/2019	Spiced peanuts	India	Raghuvanshi Exports	Aflatoxin	0.214	mg/kg	<a href="#">NUT 11/208</a>
14/08/2019	Dried herring	Philippines	Kaelen Phils Inc	Histamine	360	mg/kg	<a href="#">HIS 12/2016</a>
12/08/2019	Kelp slices	China	Fuzhou Hailin Food Co Ltd	Iodine	3900	mg/kg	<a href="#">BSW 12/2016</a>
12/08/2019	Kelp shreds	China	Fuzhou Hailin Food Co Ltd	Iodine	3300	mg/kg	<a href="#">BSW 12/2016</a>
12/08/2019	Dried kelp knots	China	Fuzhou Hailin Food Co Ltd	Iodine	2000	mg/kg	<a href="#">BSW 12/2016</a>
23/08/2019	Tuna in vegetable oil	Iran	Fedelak Food Industry	Histamine	532	mg/kg	<a href="#">HIS 12/2016</a>
23/08/2019	Tapioca chips	India	Nilamel Exports	Hydrocyanic acid	11	mg/kg	<a href="#">CAS 09/2016</a>
29/08/2019	Dried anchovies	India	Aquatic Fisheries	Histamine	390	mg/kg	<a href="#">HIS 12/2016</a>



**Random monitoring of food for compliance**

The department operates a five per cent random surveillance scheme to monitor a range of food imported into Australia for compliance to some standards in the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code. These tests are applied as part of a rolling program of surveillance food and are therefore subject to change.

More information on surveillance food and the tests applied can be found on the [Tests applied to surveillance](#) food webpage.

The table details where results were found to be noncompliant with food standards. Future consignments of this food are subject to an increased rate of testing until a history of compliance is achieved.

To increase the rate of testing, a legal instrument referred to as a ‘holding order’ is issued to refer food from a particular overseas producer for increased testing. The words ‘HO match’ indicate the fail was against an existing holding order. A new instrument is not issued for subsequent fails to an existing holding order.

Date of fail	Product description	Country of origin	Producer name	Test applied	Reason for fail	Result/s	Units	Reference	Holding order number
6/08/2019	Chilli sauce	Thailand	Chefs Choice Foods Mfr Co Ltd (Thailand)	<a href="#">Composition</a>	Vitamin C	Not permitted in this food	n/a	<a href="#">FSC 1.3.2</a>	15287
9/08/2019	Porridge oats	United Kingdom	Ramsden/Wee tabis	<a href="#">Composition</a>	Vitamin B12	Not permitted in this food	n/a	<a href="#">FSC 1.3.2</a>	15288
9/08/2019	Breakfast cereal	United Kingdom	Ramsden/Wee tabis	<a href="#">Composition</a>	Vitamin B5	Not permitted in this food	n/a	<a href="#">FSC 1.3.2</a>	15288
15/08/2019	Frozen green chilli	India	Arctic Agro Foods Pvt Ltd	<a href="#">Fruit and vegetable residue screen</a>	Monocrotophos Tebuconazole	0.07 0.13	mg/kg	<a href="#">FSC 1.4.2</a>	15295
16/08/2019	Sliced red dates	China	Micson Food Processing	<a href="#">Fruit and vegetable residue screen</a>	Carbendazim Cypermethrin Difenoconazole Propiconazole Tebuconazole	0.28 0.16 0.37 0.17 0.56	mg/kg	<a href="#">FSC 1.4.2</a>	HO match



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19/08/2019	Spinach leaves	India	Vadilal Industries Limited	<a href="#">Fruit and vegetable residue screen</a>	Chlorpyrifos	0.23	mg/kg	<a href="#">FSC 1.4.2</a>	HO match
13/08/2019	Fresh lychees	China	Zhangzhou Xinmingxing Trading Co Ltd	<a href="#">Fruit and vegetable residue screen</a>	Carbendazim Chlorpyrifos Cypermethrin Dimethomorph Thaibendazole	1.8 0.09 0.39 0.43 0.04	mg/kg	<a href="#">FSC 1.4.2</a>	HO match
13/08/2019	Seasoned squid salad	China	Dalian Gaishi Food Co Ltd	<a href="#">Composition</a>	Additive (Colour 160b)	Not permitted in this food	n/a	<a href="#">FSC 1.3.1</a>	HO match
14/08/2019	Preserved salted plums	China	Kiu Sang Hong Limited (Hong Kong)	<a href="#">Lead</a>	Lead	1.1	mg/kg	<a href="#">FSC 1.4.1</a>	HO match
15/08/2019	Candy corn	United States	Ferrara Cany Company	<a href="#">Composition</a>	Additive E127 (erythrosine)	Not permitted in this food	n/a	<a href="#">FSC 1.3.1</a>	15312
21/08/2019	Tapioca flake	Indonesia	Pt Marizarasa Sarimurni (Indonesia)	<a href="#">Composition</a>	Additive E127 (erythrosine)	Not permitted in this food	n/a	<a href="#">FSC 1.3.1</a>	15316
26/08/2019	Cambodge dried tamarind	India	Kkr Agro Mills (P) Ltd	<a href="#">Fruit and vegetable residue screen</a>	2-Phenylphenol	0.14	mg/kg	<a href="#">FSC 1.4.2</a>	HO match
22/08/2019	Toor dal (pigeon peas)	Myanmar	Ays Mfg Co Ltd	<a href="#">Fruit and vegetable residue screen</a>	Chlorpyrifos	0.12	mg/kg	<a href="#">FSC 1.4.2</a>	15323
30/08/2019	Golden raisins	India	Harihar Foods Pvt. Ltd. (India)	<a href="#">Fruit and vegetable residue screen</a>	Carbendazim	0.36	mg/kg	<a href="#">FSC 1.4.2</a>	HO match