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PRODUCT CATEGORY	PRODUCT	DATE	REF.	PROD. TYPE	NOTIF. TYPE	NOTIF. BASIS	NOTIFYING COUNTRY	ORIGIN	ISSUE	DETAILED PRODUCT	DISTRIBUTION	ACTION TAKEN	DISTRIBUTION STATUS
Fishery products	clams	01.08.2012	2012.1106	food	alert	official control on the market	ITALY	ITALY	high count of Escherichia coli (230 MPN/100g) in from Italy	chilled clams	SPAIN, ITALY	withdrawal from the market	distribution to other member countries
Fishery products	molluscs	03.08.2012	2012.BPL	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	SPAIN	PERU	unsuitable organoleptic characteristics	molluscs		re-dispatch	no distribution
Fishery products	cuttlefish	01.08.2012	2012.1107	food	information for attention	official control on the market	CYPRUS	INDIA	cadmium (6.6 mg/kg - ppm) in uncleaned cuttlefish (Sepia pharaonis) from India		CYPRUS	recall from consumers	distribution restricted to notifying country
Fishery products	squid	03.08.2012	2012.1122	food	alert	official control on the market	CYPRUS	VIETNAM	arsenic (2 mg/kg - ppm) in frozen whole round squid	frozen whole round squid	CYPRUS	withdrawal from the market	information on distribution not (yet) available
Fishery products	squid	03.08.2012	2012.BPM	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	SPAIN	PERU	unsuitable organoleptic characteristics (abnormal odor)	frozen squid (Dosidicus Gigas)		re-dispatch	no distribution
Fishery products	tuna	30.07.2012	2012.1092	food	alert	company's own check	NETHERLANDS	ECUADOR	cadmium (0.3 mg/kg - ppm)	tuna flakes in oil and brine	SLOVAKIA, POLAND, NETHERLANDS, CZECH REPUBLIC, BELGIUM	informing recipient(s)	distribution to other member countries
Fishery products	surimi	31.07.2012	2012.1094	food	information for attention	official control on the market	ITALY	THAILAND	undeclared egg (0.6 mg/kg - ppm)	frozen surimi	ITALY	informing authorities	distribution restricted to notifying country
Fishery products	tuna	01.08.2012	2012.1098	food	information for attention	food poisoning	ITALY	SRI LANKA	foodborne outbreak (scombroid syndrome)	chilled yellow fin tuna (Thunnus albacares)	ITALY	informing authorities	distribution restricted to notifying country



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Fishery products	tuna	01.08.2012	2012.1101	food	information for attention	official control on the market	ITALY	SPAIN	mercury (1.48 mg/kg - ppm)	chilled vacuum packed yellow fin tuna (Thunnus albacares)	ITALY	no action taken	product past use-by date
Fishery products	mackerel	02.08.2012	2012.1110	food	information for attention	official control on the market	ITALY	NORWAY	parasitic infestation with Anisakis	chilled mackerel (Scromber scombus)	ITALY	destruction	product past use-by date
Fishery products	tuna	03.08.2012	2012.1120	food	information for attention	official control on the market	ITALY	SPAIN	histamine (366; 386; 381; 305; 303 mg/kg - ppm)	fresh tuna fillet (Thunnus obesus)	ITALY	physical/chemical treatment	product past use-by date
Fishery products	monkfish	03.08.2012	2012.1123	food	information for attention	official control on the market	ITALY	FRANCE	parasitic infestation with nematodes	chilled monkfish (Lophius piscatorius)	SLOVENIA, ITALY	return to dispatcher	product past use-by date
Fishery products	tuna	30.07.2012	2012.BNX	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	SPAIN	INDONESIA	poor temperature control	frozen tuna (Thunnus albacares)		re-dispatch	no distribution
Fishery products	hake	30.07.2012	2012.BNY	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	SPAIN	CHILE	altered organoleptic characteristics	cooled southern hake (Merluccius australis)		destruction	no distribution
Fishery products	cod liver oil	02.08.2012	2012.BOZ	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	UNITED KINGDOM	COLOMBIA	absence of health certificate(s)	cod liver oil		destruction	no distribution
Fishery products	panga	03.08.2012	2012.BPI	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	SPAIN	VIETNAM	poor temperature control - rupture of the cold chain	frozen panga (Pangasius spp.)		official detention	no distribution
Fishery products	cod liver oil	03.08.2012	2012.BPG	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	UNITED KINGDOM	from COLOMBIA	absence of health certificate(s)	cod liver oil			no distribution
Dried fruit	fig	03.08.2012	2012.BPD	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	FRANCE	TURKEY	aflatoxins (B1 = 5.7; Tot. = 18.5 µg/kg - ppb)	pulled dried figs		placed under customs seals	no distribution
Dried fruit	fig	03.08.2012	2012.BPF	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	GERMANY	TURKEY	aflatoxins (B1 = 4.2; Tot. = 4.8 µg/kg - ppb)	dried figs		re-dispatch	no distribution
Dried fruit	fig	03.08.2012	2012.BPH	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	GERMANY	TURKEY	aflatoxins (B1 = 4.2; Tot. = 4.8 µg/kg - ppb)	dried figs		official detention	no distribution



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Spices	pepper	31.07.2012	2012.1093	food	information for follow-up	official control on the market	CZECH REPUBLIC	POLAND	incorrect labelling (gluten: 24720 mg/kg - ppm)	ground black pepper	CZECH REPUBLIC	withdrawal from the market	information on distribution not (yet) available
Spices	seasoning	01.08.2012	2012.1105	food	information for attention	border control - consignment released	UNITED KINGDOM	CHINA	irradiation in an unauthorised facility	seasoning	UNITED KINGDOM	withdrawal from the market	distribution restricted to notifying country
Spices	pepper	02.08.2012	2012.1113	food	information for attention	company's own check	SWEDEN	SRI LANKA	Salmonella (presence /25g)	white pepper	SWEDEN		distribution restricted to notifying country
Spices	curry leaves	30.07.2012	2012.BNZ	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	FRANCE	INDIA	profenofos (6.6 mg/kg - ppm)	curry leaves		destruction	no distribution
Spices	chilli	02.08.2012	2012.BOY	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	UNITED KINGDOM	INDIA	aflatoxins (B1 = 8.3; Tot. = 8.7 / B1 = 5; Tot. = 10 µg/kg - ppb)	crushed chilli		re-dispatch	no distribution
Honey	honey	03.08.2012	2012.1118	food	information for attention	border control - consignment released	GERMANY	MEXICO	sulfathiazole (34.2 µg/kg - ppb) unauthorised	honey	GERMANY	detained by the operator	distribution restricted to notifying country
Edible nuts	chestnut flour	30.07.2012	2012.1090	food	alert	official control on the market	ITALY	ITALY	aflatoxins (B1 = 17.0; Tot. = 35.7 µg/kg - ppb)	chestnut flour	FRANCE, UNITED KINGDOM, ITALY, NETHERLANDS, UNITED STATES, GERMANY, AUSTRALIA		distribution to other member countries
Edible nuts	pistachios	01.08.2012	2012.1100	food	alert	official control on the market	GERMANY	IRAN, ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF	aflatoxins (B1 = 64.1; Tot. = 74.8 µg/kg - ppb)	pistachios in shell	HUNGARY, GERMANY	destruction	distribution to other member countries
Edible nuts	groundnuts	31.07.2012	2012.BOC	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	LITHUANIA	CHINA	aflatoxins (B1 = 23.81; Tot. = 24.71 µg/kg - ppb)	groundnuts kernels		re-dispatch	no distribution
Edible nuts	nuts	31.07.2012	2012.BOD	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	GERMANY	CHINA	aflatoxins (B1 = 4.6; Tot. = 5.6 µg/kg - ppb)	shelled nuts		informing authorities	no distribution
Edible nuts	peanuts	31.07.2012	2012.BOE	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	GERMANY	CHINA	aflatoxins (B1 = 69; Tot. = 75.6 µg/kg - ppb)	shelled peanuts		informing authorities	no distribution
Edible nuts	peanuts	31.07.2012	2012.BOF	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	GERMANY	CHINA	aflatoxins (B1 = 11.9; Tot. = 16.5 µg/kg - ppb)	shelled peanuts		informing authorities	no distribution
Edible nuts	peanuts	01.08.2012	2012.BOK	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	GERMANY	CHINA	aflatoxins (B1 = 66.9; Tot. = 100.3 / B1 = 43.9; Tot. = 53.5 µg/kg - ppb)	peanuts in shell		re-dispatch	no distribution
Edible nuts	pistachios	01.08.2012	2012.BOL	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	GREECE	UNITED STATES	absence of health certificate(s)	pistachio nuts with shell		re-dispatch	no distribution



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Edible nuts	peanuts	01.08.2012	2012.BOR	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	GERMANY	INDIA	aflatoxins (B1 = 43.8 / B1 = 37.5; Tot. = 48.7 µg/kg - ppb)	peanuts		re-dispatch	no distribution
Edible nuts	peanuts	02.08.2012	2012.BPA	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	UNITED KINGDOM	CHINA	aflatoxins (B1 = 128.7; Tot. = 151.6 µg/kg - ppb)	peanuts in shell		import not authorised	no distribution
Edible nuts	almonds	03.08.2012	2012.BPC	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	FRANCE	UNITED STATES	expired health certificate(s)	almonds without shell		re-dispatch	no distribution
Edible nuts	pistachios	03.08.2012	2012.BPE	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	GERMANY	TURKEY	aflatoxins (B1 = 55.1 µg/kg - ppb)	pistachios		re-dispatch	no distribution
Edible nuts		03.08.2012	2012.BPK	food	border rejection	border control - consignment detained	NETHERLANDS	CHINA	aflatoxins (B1 = 6.2; Tot. = 6.2 µg/kg - ppb)	blanched groundnut kernels		official detention	no distribution

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- **Alert notifications** are sent when a food presenting a serious risk is on the market and when immediate action is required. Alerts are triggered by the Member State that detects the problem and has initiated the relevant measures, such as withdrawal/recall.
- **Information notifications** concern a food or feed that was placed on the market for which a risk has been identified, but for which the other members of the network do not have to take immediate action, because the product has not reached their market or is no longer present on their market or because the nature of the risk does not require any immediate action.
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The "action taken" field represents the action already taken or to be taken by the notifying country at the time of notification. If "no action taken" is given for an alert notification, this normally indicates that the product is not on the market of the notifying country (therefore: no action taken by the notifying country) but it may be on the market of other member countries.

The "distribution status" field indicates knowledge existing at the time of notification about the possible distribution of the product on the market. The concept "market" is to be interpreted in a geographical way: "the internal Community market" i.e. this does not necessarily mean that the product is already on the shelves available to consumers, as often it is not.

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