

Fuyen Food Pte Ltd fined \$15,000 for poor maintenance of premises and improper storage of food

Fuyen Food Pte Ltd, a meat processing establishment, was fined \$15,000 by the Court today for poor maintenance of its premises and improper storage of food.

2 On 13 November 2019, during a routine inspection of the licensee's premises by the Singapore Food Agency (SFA), multiple lapses were identified. These include:

- Widespread infestation of cockroaches in the processing and raw material storage rooms;
- Poor maintenance of the premises; and
- Improper thawing and storage practices.



Multiple lapses were detected at Fuyen Food Pte Ltd's premises during a routine inspection. (Photo: SFA)

3 In the interest of public health, implicated cooked food items were discarded on the spot. The operating licence of Fuyen Food Pte Ltd was also suspended by SFA for a total of 13 days from 28 November 2019 to 10 December 2019. The suspension was subsequently lifted after the licensee rectified the lapses and took measures to improve the cleanliness of its premises.

4 Food safety is a joint responsibility as food can be contaminated anywhere along the food chain. While SFA continues to be vigilant and works to ensure that regulatory measures are in place and properly enforced, the industry and consumers must also play their part.

5 All food operators should ensure that their premises are clean and well-maintained, and staff are adequately trained on proper food safety management. SFA will take enforcement action against food operators who do not adhere to regulations or comply with food hygiene and food safety requirements. For each offence, offenders are liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months or to both.

6 Members of the public who come across poor hygiene practices in food establishments are advised not to patronise them and provide feedback via our online feedback form (www.sfa.gov.sg/feedback) or call our Contact Centre at 6805 2871 with details for our follow-up investigations.

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