

HKP FOOD TECHNOLOGY PTE. LTD. FINED \$8,500 FOR HYGIENE LAPSES

HKP Food Technology Pte. Ltd. was fined \$8,500 by the Court today for hygiene lapses under the Sale of Food (Non-Retail Food Business) Regulations.

2 On 30 June 2021, Singapore Food Agency (SFA) officers inspected the food manufacturing establishment at Block 3015 Bedok North Street 5. The officers detected widespread pest infestations (i.e. cockroaches and rodent droppings) and poor cleanliness of its food preparation and storage areas, which posed a high risk for food contamination to occur. This is not the first time enforcement action was taken against HKP Food Technology Pte. Ltd for hygiene lapses.

3 In the interest of public health, SFA directed HKP Food Technology Pte. Ltd to rectify the lapses and take necessary measures to improve the food safety practices and 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. Offenders are liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 and/or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months.



Numerous hygiene lapses observed at HKP Food Technology Pte. Ltd's premises (Photos: SFA)

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