

Recall of “Ceres 100% Apple Juice” products due to patulin contamination

The Singapore Food Agency (SFA) was informed by the International Food Safety Authorities Network (INFOSAN) of a recall of “Ceres 100% Apple Juice” products, following elevated levels of patulin detected in some batches through the manufacturer’s in-house testing. The detected levels exceed the maximum limit¹ in fruit juices as stated in the Singapore Food Regulations.

2 SFA has directed the importer, Naspac Marketing Pte Ltd, to recall the implicated batches of product. The recall is ongoing.



3 Patulin can occur in fruits such as apples, due to fungal contamination before and after harvest. The level of patulin detected may cause the products to be unsafe for consumption if there is long-term intake. The ingestion of large amounts of patulin from food is associated with nausea, gastrointestinal disturbances and vomiting. Brief exposure without excessive intake is unlikely to pose health issues.

4 Consumers who have purchased the implicated product are advised not to consume it. Those who have consumed the implicated product and have concerns about their health should seek medical advice.

5 Details of the products are as follows.

Implicated products:

¹ The maximum limit for patulin in fruit juice as stated in the Singapore Food Regulations is 50 parts per billion (ppb).

<p>Ceres 100% Apple Juice</p> <p>Packing Size: 200ml</p> <p>Best before date: 14 June 2022</p> <p>Country of origin: South Africa</p>	 <p>The image shows a 200ml carton of Ceres 100% Apple Juice. The packaging features the Ceres logo at the top, followed by '100% Fruit Juice' and 'APPLE' in a green banner. A 'NO SUGAR ADDED' badge is visible. Below the banner is a photograph of a whole red apple and a sliced apple. At the bottom, the volume '200 ml' is printed, along with multilingual text: '100% DE SUMOS', '100% DE JUS', 'عصير فواكه 100%', 'POMME', 'MAÇÃ', and 'التفاح'.</p>
<p>Ceres 100% Apple Juice</p> <p>Packing Size: 1L</p> <p>Best before date: 17 June 2022</p> <p>Country of origin: South Africa</p>	 <p>The image shows a 1L carton of Ceres 100% Apple Juice. The packaging features the Ceres logo at the top, followed by '100% Fruit Juice' and 'APPLE' in a green banner. A 'NO SUGAR ADDED' badge is visible. Below the banner is a photograph of a whole red apple and a sliced apple. At the bottom, the volume '1L' is printed, along with multilingual text: '100% DE SUMOS', '100% DE JUS', 'عصير فواكه 100%', 'POMME', 'MAÇÃ', and 'التفاح'.</p>

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