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Food sold via illegal hawking may be unsafe, as such food items may not meet our food safety requirements. In addition, such vendors are transitory and cannot be traced if buyers face problems with their purchases.

Consumers are advised to buy food only from licensed retailers and sources. As food safety is a joint responsibility, consumers can also play their part in ensuring food safety by choosing the food they buy, handle, prepare and consume carefully.

Members of the public who come across any illegal hawking activities should report them to SFA via the online feedback form (<https://csp.sfa.gov.sg/feedback>) with details for us to investigate.

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