



Song Fish Dealer Pte Ltd sentenced to fine of \$20,000 for multiple offences under the Wholesome Meat and Fish Act

Song Fish Dealer Pte Ltd ("Song Fish") was fined \$20,000 by the Court today for multiple offences under the Wholesome Meat and Fish Act.

Failure to arrange for SFA inspection and partially selling of imported meat consignment prior to inspection

2 In February 2022, Song Fish had imported a consignment of frozen smoked duck breast and had failed to arrange for SFA to inspect, examine and certify the products. Song Fish had subsequently partially sold the uninspected consignment.

3 In Singapore, upon import of meat and fish products, importers must arrange for these products to be inspected, examined and certified by SFA before it is sold, distributed or exported. Meat and fish products which are found to be unfit for human consumption will be seized and disposed.

4 Offenders who fail to arrange for the meat and fish products to be inspected, examined and certified by SFA before it is sold or distributed are liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months or to both.

5 Offenders who had sold their meat and fish consignments which had not been inspected are liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$50,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years or to both and, in the case of a second or subsequent conviction, to a fine not exceeding \$100,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 years or to both.

Failure to clearly mark and date label food products

6 In March 2022, SFA officers conducted an inspection at Song Fish premises at Fishery Port Road and discovered 276 cartons of 'Patagonian Toothfish' with their original labels removed. The original labels contained details such as the weight, the country of origin as well as the production and expiry date. These were replaced with labels with only handwritten information on the weight.



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Carton of Patagonian Toothfish with original label removed (left) vs with original label (right). <Photo: SFA>

7 Under the 'Conditions of Licensing for Meat, Fish, Egg Processing Establishments and Cold Stores', every pack of meat, fish or egg product must be clearly marked and date labelled to ensure traceability of producer and the lot number. Offenders are liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$50,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years or to both and, in the case of a second or subsequent conviction, to a fine not exceeding \$100,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding \$100,000 o

8 Members of the public who come across such illegal activities are encouraged to provide feedback via our online feedback form (www.sfa.gov.sg/feedback) or to call our SFA Contact Centre at 6805 2871 with details for our follow-up investigations.

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