

Food Recall Alert



TO: Day Nurseries, Summer Camps, Hospitals, and Long Term Care Facilities

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The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) is warning the public not to consume certain wieners because the product may be contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*.

Maple Leaf Foods, the manufacturer, is voluntarily recalling the affected products from the marketplace. The CFIA is monitoring the effectiveness of the recall, and the investigation is continuing.

There have been no reported illnesses associated with the consumption of these products. The Public Health Agency of Canada continues to closely monitor for cases of listeriosis, but to date, there have been no increases in cases of the illness, nor detected any cases linked to this investigation.

Food contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes* may not look or smell spoiled. Consumption of food contaminated with these bacteria may cause listeriosis, a foodborne illness. Listeriosis can cause high fever, severe headache, neck stiffness and nausea. For most people, the risk posed by *Listeria* is low, however pregnant women, the elderly and people with weakened immune systems are particularly at risk.

For more information, consumers and industry can call the CFIA at 1-800-442-2342 / TTY 1-800-465-7735 (8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern time, Monday to Friday). For information on *Listeria monocytogenes*, visit the [Food Facts web page](http://www.inspection.gc.ca/english/fssa/concen/cause/listeriae.shtml) at: <http://www.inspection.gc.ca/english/fssa/concen/cause/listeriae.shtml>.

For a list of products, please go to: <http://www.inspection.gc.ca/english/corpaffr/recarapp/2009/20090803e.shtml>

If you have any questions, please call Simon Lee, Public Health Inspector at (705)743-1000 ext. 249.