



Product Recall Notification
Information Only



2/22/2016

Dear Valued Get Fresh Produce Customer,

Please review the details regarding the product that has been recalled.

Get Fresh Produce HAS NOT distributed the affected product, so please use this notification for informational purposes only. **NO ACTION NEEDED FOR GET FRESH PRODUCE CUSTOMERS.**

BRAND/PRODUCT NAME: **Maytag Blue blue cheese wedges and wheels**
PACK/LOT CODE(S) **Product(s) Lot #s 4 oz. wedges 8 oz. wedges 2 pound wheels 4 pound wheels 150479, 150480, 150481, 150482, 150483 Product Batch #s 5 pound crumbles 950826, 960020, 960037, 960040, 960041, 960049, 960053, 960054, 960067, 960068, 960069, 960070, 960071, 960072, 960073**

REASON FOR RECALL: **Listeria**

ACTION NEEDED: **NO ACTION NEEDED FOR GET FRESH PRODUCE CUSTOMERS**

February 19, 2016

MAYTAG DAIRY FARMS VOLUNTARILY RECALLS BLUE CHEESE PRODUCTS DUE TO POSSIBLE HEALTH RISK
NEWTON, IA – Maytag Dairy Farms is voluntarily recalling 5 lots of “Maytag Blue” blue cheese wedges and wheels and 15 batches of blue cheese crumbles because they have the potential to be contaminated with *Listeria monocytogenes*, an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Although healthy individuals may suffer only short-term symptoms such as high fever, severe headache, stiffness, nausea, abdominal pain and diarrhea, *Listeria* infection can cause miscarriages and stillbirths among pregnant women.

The recalled product was distributed through retail stores, restaurants, and direct mail orders nationwide between December 11, 2015, and February 11, 2016. Affected products are packaged as follows: Product(s) Lot #s 4 oz. wedges 8 oz. wedges 2 pound wheels 4 pound wheels 150479, 150480, 150481, 150482, 150483 Product Batch #s 5 pound crumbles 950826, 960020, 960037, 960040, 960041, 960049, 960053, 960054, 960067, 960068, 960069, 960070, 960071, 960072, 960073. The lot number or batch number appears on the side or the bottom of the product.

No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this issue. The potential for contamination was

discovered after testing by the State of Iowa revealed the presence of *Listeria monocytogenes* in two lots of product. Maytag Dairy Farms has voluntarily suspended production and distribution while the company collaborates with FDA and the State of Iowa to determine the cause of the problem. Consumers who have purchased these products are urged to discard them immediately and not consume them. Customers can call Maytag Dairy Farms at 800-247-2458 or 641-791-2010 Monday – Friday 9AM-5PM CST to arrange for a refund and return of the product. We apologize for any temporary inconvenience or concern that our voluntary recall is causing our customers and the families who have enjoyed our products for generations. To learn more and for updates, please visit www.maytagdairyfarms.com.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please contact us at 630-665-9665. You will be directed to a member of our Food Safety and Quality Assurance Team.

Also, if you would like to add or revise the contact(s) who receive these notifications, please contact, Randy Kraemer, at 630-665-9665 or rkraemer@getfreshproduce.com with your request.

We thank you, in advance, for your immediate attention to this notification.

Sincerely,

Food Safety and Quality Assurance Team
Get Fresh Produce, Inc.

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