

Frozen White Castle Hamburger Recall Due to Possible Contamination

December 10, 2019 - The Kane County Health Department is advising that White Castle has initiated a voluntary recall of a limited number of frozen 6 pack cheeseburgers, frozen 6 pack hamburgers, frozen 6 pack jalapeno cheeseburgers, and 16 pack hamburgers, 16 pack cheeseburgers for the possible presence of *Listeria monocytogenes*.

The voluntary recall will impact product on shelves at select retailers with best by dates ranging from 04 Aug 2020 to 17 Aug 2020. Any product with these dates on shelves is presently being removed. Any product with a best by date before or after these best by dates is not included in the voluntary recall. To date, public health officials have not reported any illness associated with these products.

White Castle frozen sandwiches are sold in rectangular cardboard packages and the code date is located on a side panel. Images of the packages being voluntarily recalled are online at https://www.fda.gov/safety/recalls-market-withdrawals-safety-alerts/white-castle-frozen-food-division-announces-voluntary-recall-limited-production-frozen-sandwiches.

Listeria monocytogenes is 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.

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Customers who may have purchased any of the products indicated are urged to dispose of them or return them to the store where they were purchased for an exchange or full refund and to consult with their physician regarding any medical questions. Customers may also contact White Castle at 1-800-843-2728.

The Kane County Health Department has an abundance of information on food safety online at KaneHealth.com/Pages/Food-Safety.aspx.

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