

February 8, 2024 - Dole Salad Recall on Certain Products

Dole Salads has announced a recall on specific lots of certain products that used cheese condiment ingredients processed on the same production line as a cheese that was recalled by another manufacturer.



Urgent Product Recall of Cheese Incorporated into Certain Products February 8, 2024

We have recently been notified by Sargento, our supplier of packaged cheese products, that some of the cheese used in our masterpacks (condiment packages for complete salads) for a limited number of items was processed on the same production line as a cheese that has been recalled by the manufacturer, Rizo-Lopez Foods, for the possible presence of *Listeria monocytogenes*. Sargento, out of abundance of caution, has issued an expanded recall, which includes products that were packaged after the Rizo-Lopez Foods product. Upon review of internal documentation, we have determined that we have finished product in the marketplace with masterpacks that contain the potentially affected cheese packets and, consequently, we are recalling these products from the market.

No other lots or products are affected by this event.

This precautionary recall notification is being issued due to the potential for cross-contamination of cheese contained in certain masterpacks with *Listeria monocytogenes* at our packaged cheese supplier. At this time, we are unaware of any specific illnesses associated with this particular recall, although it appears that illnesses may have occurred in connection with products distributed directly by Rizo-Lopez Foods or by other purchasers of their cheese.

Customers that bought the involved lots on the following codes from Four Seasons Produce will be contacted.

3597 CV Salad Endless Summer Kit 6/13 oz Dole

3467 CV Salad Southwest Kit 6/13 oz Dole

226097 CV Salad Chop Avocado Ranch Kit 6/11.3 oz Dole

Several other recalls have emerged as a result of the Rizo-Lopez cheese recall. Four Seasons Produce has NOT purchased or distributed items/lots involved in the Fresh Express, Ready Pac, and Bright Farms recalls announced across February 8-9, 2024.