

Woolworths recalls some 100% Apple Juice products

Woolworths is the latest food company to announce a recall of certain batches of apple juice. The product recall applies to Woolworths branded 100% Apple Juice 200ml cartons (single boxes and six packs) with the best before date of 23, 28 and 29 March 2022.



Source: Supplied

Following routine quality tests, the retailer said it was identified that the apple juice in these products contains levels of patulin above the regulatory limits. Patulin is a naturally occurring mycotoxin produced by mould and is commonly associated with apples.

The affected Woolworths 100% Apple Juice 200ml cartons are sold as singles and in six packs in South Africa, Botswana, Namibia, Lesotho, Eswatini, Mozambique and Zambia stores.

"Woolworths and our suppliers proactively manage and prevent microbial contamination of food and have done so for many years. We have very strict protocols in place as part of our standard food safety management process. To verify the safety of our food products, we implement additional monitoring where we independently have our food products tested randomly," the retailer said.

“ Food safety is critically important to Woolworths and we take all issues regarding the production of our food extremely seriously.

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Last week, [Pioneer Foods recalled](#) certain 100% apple juice products, sold under its LiquiFruit brand in South Africa, Botswana and Namibia, and the Ceres brand in other jurisdictions. This followed an internal investigation that revealed that a limited quantity of apple juice concentrate supplied to Pioneer Foods contained elevated levels of patulin.

The week prior, Coca-Cola South Africa [announced the voluntary recall](#) of certain batches of sparkling apple juice

Appletiser after a standard quality testing routine revealed they were "outside of the acceptable standards".



Pioneer Foods recalls LiquiFruit and Ceres apple juice products

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Customers who have purchased the Woolworths product should return it to their local store for a full refund, and can contact the Woolworths customer service centre on 0860 022 002 or visit [woolworths.co.za](https://www.woolworths.co.za) for more information.

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