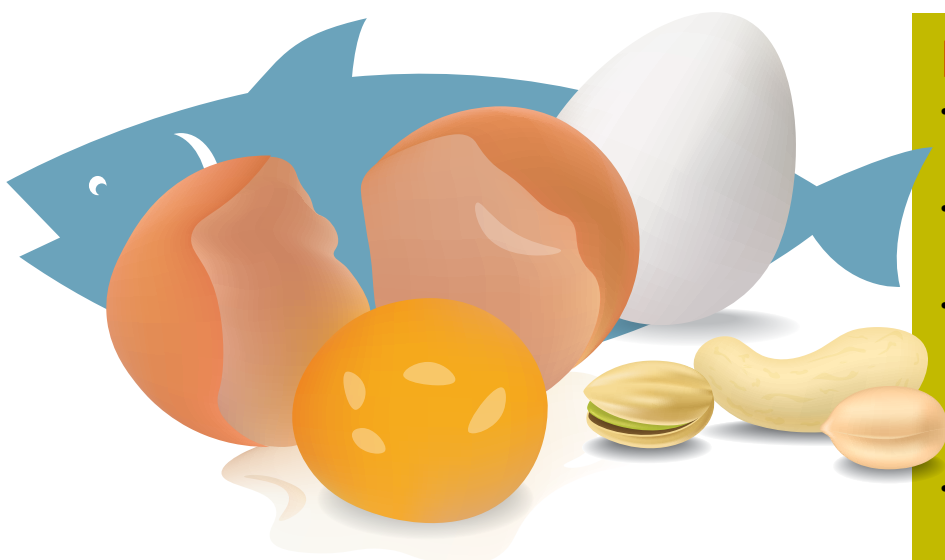


# Food Recall 101

**THE CANADIAN FOOD  
INSPECTION AGENCY  
HELPS KEEP FOOD  
PRODUCTION SAFE**

Canada's food supply is one of the safest in the world, with checks and balances throughout the supply chain. The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) plays a key role in safeguarding the food Canadians eat. This includes communicating food recalls to keep consumers safe.



## FOOD RECALL FACTS

- The CFIA oversees about 220 food recall incidents a year.
- The # 1 reason for recalls: priority allergens not being correctly identified.
- Other reasons: Bacteria that can cause illness; Harmful chemical residues; Presence of substances like glass; Mislabelling
- Most recalls are voluntary. However, if a company is unable or refuses to conduct a voluntary food recall, the Minister of Health has the power to order a mandatory recall for all food that poses a health risk.

## WHAT CONSUMERS CAN DO

**Read | Compare | Don't eat**

- Read the food recall notice.
- Check if you have the recalled product at home.
- Don't eat it. Throw it out or return it where you purchased it.

## Checking for recalled food

To check a product in your home, compare the lot code and the UPC on the product with the information from the recall notice.



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