

## **Press Release**

Press Release (This is provisional translation. Please refer to the original text written in Japanese.)

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Policy Planning and Communication Division,
Inspection and Safety Division,
Department of Food Safety

To Press and those who may concern,

Restriction of distribution of foods based on the Act on Special Measures Concerning Nuclear

Emergency Preparedness, direction of Director-General of the Nuclear Emergency Response

Headquarters

Today, based on the results of inspections conducted until yesterday and in the lights of the Nuclear Safety Commission's advice, the Nuclear Emergency Response Headquarters has issued restriction of distribution for Governors of Ibaraki as follows.

- (1) Japanese seabass, Nibe croaker and Olive flounder captured in Ibaraki offshore, Ibaraki prefecture.
- (2) Channel catfish (excluding farmed fish) and Silver crucian carp (excluding farmed fish) captured in Kasumigaura basin, Ibaraki prefecture.
- 1. With regard to Ibaraki prefecture, the restriction of distribution of Japanese seabass, Nibe croaker and Olive flounder captured in Ibaraki offshore and Channel catfish (excluding farmed fish) and Silver crucian carp (excluding farmed fish) captured in Kasumigaura basin\* is instructed today.
  - (1) The Instruction of the Nuclear Emergency Response Headquarters is attached as attachment 1.
  - (2) The concept of management at Ibaraki Prefecture after ordering the restriction of distribution is attached as attachment 2.
- \*Kasumigaura lake, Kitaura lake, Sotonasakaura lake and rivers flowing into these lakes and Hitachitone river.
- The list of Instructions on the restriction of distribution and/or consumption of food concerned in accordance with the Act on Special Measures Concerning Nuclear Emergency Preparedness is attached as reference.

Reference: omitted
Attachment 2: omitted

From Director-General of the Nuclear Emergency Response Headquarters To Governor of Ibaraki Prefecture,

The Instruction to the Prefecture on April 13 2012 based on the Article 20.3 of the Act on Special Measures Concerning Nuclear Emergency Preparedness (Act No. 156, 1999) shall be changed as follows.

- 1. Restrictive requirements shall apply to heads of relevant municipalities and food business operators concerned not to distribute any log-grown shiitakes (outdoor cultivation) produced in Tsuchiura-shi, Hitachinaka-shi, Moriya-shi, Hitachiomiya-shi, Naka-shi, Namegata-shi, Hokota-shi, Tsukubamirai-shi Omitama-shi, Ibaraki-machi and Ami-machi for the time being.
- 2. Restrictive requirements shall apply to heads of relevant municipalities and food business operators concerned not to distribute any log-grown shiitakes (hothouse cultivation) produced in Tsuchiura-shi, Hokota-shi and Ibaraki-machi for the time being.
- 3. Restrictive requirement shall apply to heads of relevant municipalities and food business operators concerned not to distribute any bamboo shoots produced in Ishioka-shi, Ryugasaki-shi, Toride-shi, Itako-shi, Moriya-shi, Tsukubamirai-shi, Omitama-shi, Ibaraki-machi and Tone-machi for the time being.
- 4. Restrictive requirement shall apply to heads of relevant municipalities and food business operators concerned not to distribute any tea leaves produced in Mito-shi, Hitachi-shi, Tsuchiura-shi, Ishioka-shi, Yuki-shi, Ryugasaki-shi, Shimotsuma-shi, Hitachiota-shi, Takahagi-shi, Kitaibaraki-shi, Kasama-shi, Toride-shi, Ushiku-shi, Tsukuba-shi, Hitachinaka-shi, Kashima-shi, Itako-shi, Moriya-shi, Hitachiomiya-shi, Naka-shi, Chikusei-shi, Inashiki-shi, Kasumigaura-shi, Sakuragawa-shi, Kamisu-shi, Namegata-shi, Hokota-shi, Tsukubamirai-shi, Omitama-shi, Ibaraki-machi, Oarai-machi, Shirosato-machi, Ami-machi, Kawachi-machi, Goka-machi, Tone-machi, Tokai-mura and Miho-mura for the time being.
- 5. Restrictive requirements shall apply to food business operators concerned not to distribute any Rock fish (*Sebastes cheni*), Japanese seabass, Nibe croaker and Olive flounder captured in Ibaraki offshore, for the time being
- 6. Restrictive requirements shall apply to food business operators concerned not to distribute any Channel catfish (excluding farmed fish) captured Kasumigaura lake, Kitaura lake, Sotonasakaura lake and rivers flowing into these lakes and Hitachitone river, for the time being.
- 7. Restrictive requirements shall apply to food business operators concerned not to distribute any Silver crucian carp (excluding farmed fish) captured Kasumigaura lake, Kitaura lake, Sotonasakaura lake and rivers flowing into these lakes and Hitachitone river, for the time being.
- 8. Restrictive requirements shall apply to heads of relevant municipalities and food business operators concerned not to distribute any Boar meat from boars captured in Ibaraki prefecture for the time being, provided, however, that this shall not apply to Boar meat which are managed based on shipment and inspection policy set by Ibaraki prefecture.