

SUBJECT: ALFOODACT 003-2005 - *King Oscar Brand Fillets of Anchovies in Olive Oil (Final Disposition Instructions)*
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1. REFERENCE:

a. DLAR 4155.26/AR 40-660/NAVSUPINST 10110.8c/AFI 48-116/MCO 10110.38c, DOD Hazardous Food & Nonprescription Drug Recall System.

b. Allied Communications Publication 121, US SUPP-1 (f).

c. ALFOODACT 015-2004: *King Oscar Brand Rolled Fillets of Anchovies in Pure Olive Oil (with capers)*, issued on December 1, 2004.

d. ALFOODACT 016-2004- *King Oscar Brand Fillets of Anchovies in Olive Oil (EXPANDED)*, issued on December 2, 2004.

2. BACKGROUND:

The purpose of this message is to provide final disposition instructions for ALFOODACT 015-2004, and ALFOODACT 016-2004, issued on December 1, and December 2, 2004 respectively. The Department of Defense Veterinary Food Analysis and Diagnostic Laboratory at Fort Sam Houston, TX analyzed the anchovies and concluded that the distended cans had elevated histamine levels. Canned fish products with high histamine levels usually indicate decomposition and possible poor product quality, as well as pose a potential health hazard. The canned anchovies were also beyond their recommended shelf life. See paragraph 3. and paragraph 7. of this message for product codes involved and specific disposition instructions.

3. PRODUCTION DATES/IDENTIFYING CODES:

Bumble Bee Seafood representatives have assisted in identifying canned anchovies that are beyond their recommended shelf life. The following codes are applicable:

UPC#	Lot Code	Can Code	Date Produced	Shelf Life Remaining
3480060060	3275XSK000	SK275E	2-Oct-03	0 days
3480060060	3288XSK000	SK288E	15-Oct-03	0 days
3480060060	3289XSK000	SK289E	16-Oct-03	0 days
3480060060	3302XSK000	SK302E	29-Oct-03	0 days
3480060060	3303XSK000	SK303E	30-Oct-03	0 days
3480060060	3304XSK000	SK304E	31-Oct-03	0 days
3480060060	3307XSK000	SK307E	3-Nov-03	0 days
3480060060	3307XSN000	SN307E	3-Nov-03	0 days
3480060060	3364XA0000	AO1942 364E	30-Dec-03	0 days
3480060065	3216XSN000	SN216E	4-Aug-03	0 days
3480060065	3217XSN000	SN217E	5-Aug-03	0 days
3480060065	3343XA0000	AO1942 343E	9-Dec-03	0 days

Product cans are reported to be labeled with the following distributors, but please note that other distributors may be involved that have not yet been identified:

Distributed By:
 Bumble Bee Inc.,
 San Diego, CA 92122
 Product of Morocco

Distributed By:
 Stinson Seafood Co.
 Prospect Harbor, ME 04669 -U.S.A.

4. **DISTRIBUTION:** Found in DeCA Commissaries- Alaska; product may be in other locations as well.

5. **QUANTITY:** Unknown

6. **REASON FOR RECALL:** The product *may* pose a potential food safety risk.

7. **DISPOSITION INSTRUCTIONS FOR MESSAGE RECIPIENTS:**

(1) Examine King Oscar anchovies currently on "Medical Hold." Any can code listed **in paragraph 3.** of this message (including can code SN216E originally recalled in ALFOODACT 015-2004), is beyond the recommended shelf life, and should be destroyed in accordance with local policies.

(2) Any swollen/distended cans of King Oscar anchovies found in inventory should be destroyed.

(3) King Oscar canned anchovies that appear normal and are not stamped with codes listed in paragraph 3. of this message should be returned to inventory/commissary store shelves (as soon as possible) for normal sale.

(4) Accountable activities should note that cans are labeled with a "Store In Cool Place" precautionary statement. The manufacturer recommends that King Oscar canned anchovies be stored and sold in the temperature range of 32° - 50°F for optimal shelf life and product quality.

(5) **Ships at sea** are authorized to destroy or dispose of recalled products at their discretion. Documentation for the number of pounds and cases, and any additional pertinent information must be signed by the Accountable Officer and is required for the purpose of recouping to the government the cost of the product involved. Information shall be forwarded by priority message to this center.

8. **The Point Of Contact** for this message is [CW3 Melinda Strother](#), Consumer Safety Officer, at DSCP-HS. VOICE, DSN: 444-7746/8461, Commercial (215) 737-7746/8461, or by FAX, DSN: 444-7526, or Commercial, (215) 737-7526.

Very Respectfully,
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