

Coca-Cola Europacific Partners recalls a small range of soft drinks as a precaution because of elevated levels of Chlorate

Coco-Cola Europacific Partners is taking the precautionary step of recalling a small number of their soft drinks range because they may contain elevated levels of Chlorate. This poses a low food safety risk especially when only consumed occasionally, however consumers who are sensitive to chlorate and have pre-existing mild to moderate iodine deficiency may be more adversely affected.

Standard dimension cans, all glass and plastic bottles sold in the UK are not impacted. Only the products listed below are affected. Images of products affected are attached below.

In addition to the batch codes and the best before, it is important for consumers to also check the production codes that can be found on the bottom of the can. Only production codes from 328 GE to 338 GE are included in the product recall.

Product details

Appletiser 100% Apple Juice Gently Sparkling

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| Pack size | 6 X 250ml multipack |
| Batch code | 0008905850 0008908477 |
| Best before | 30 November 2025 31 December 2025 |

Coca-Cola

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| Pack size | 330ml tall can |
| Batch code | 0008912462 |
| Best before | 30 November 2025 |

Diet Coke

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| Pack size | 330ml tall can |
| Batch code | 0008913820 |
| Best before | 31 May 2025 |

Coca Cola Zero

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| Pack size | 330ml tall can |
| Batch code | 0008913954 |
| Best before | 31 May 2025 |

Sprite Zero

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| Pack size | 330ml tall can |
| Batch code | 0008913247 |
| Best before | 30 June 2025 |

Risk statement

This product may contain elevated levels of chlorate. This poses a low food safety concern, especially when consumed only occasionally. However adverse health effects cannot be ruled out for consumers sensitive to Chlorate, in particular young children and consumers with pre-existing medical conditions such as thyroid deficiency, blood conditions, especially anaemia, or those with kidney diseases.

Long term consumption of chlorate can lead to the inhibition of iodine uptake, this could potentially cause adverse health effects such as goitre. A single high intake of chlorate, (as an acute exposure), could limit the body's ability to absorb oxygen from the blood, and could in severe cases lead to kidney failure.

Action taken by the company

Coca-Cola Europacific Partners is recalling the above products as a precaution. Point of sale notices will be displayed in all retail stores that are selling these products. These notices explain to customers why the products are being recalled and what to do if they have bought the products. Please see the attached notice.

PDF

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Our advice to consumers

If you have bought any of the above products, as a precaution, do not consume them. Instead, consumers with who have purchased the affected product should call Coca-Cola's customer service team on 0800 227711 for assistance.

About product recalls and withdrawals

If there is a problem with a food product that means it should not be sold, then it might be 'withdrawn' (taken off the shelves) or 'recalled' (when customers are asked to return the product). The FSA issues Product Recall Information Notices to let consumers and local authorities know about problems associated with food. In some cases, a 'Food Alert for Action' is issued. This provides local authorities with details of specific action to be taken on behalf of consumers.

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