

MELAMINE WARNING & COUNTRY OF ORIGIN BARCODES

Make sure you read to the end "very interesting?" Perhaps the best way to tell where things are made?

China milk poisoning incidents make everyone afraid to look at the daily news report.

Everyday, the reports are changing. No one can clearly tell us what to eat and what not to eat.

Most we know - but see barcodes at the end -interesting!

1. What really is poisoned milk?

It is milk powder mixed with 'MELAMINE'

What is Melamine used for?

It is an industrial chemical used in the production of melawares.

It is also used in home decor - i.e.kitchens.

We all MUST understand that Melamine is used in INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION - - - - - it CANNOT be eaten.

2. Why is Melamine added to milk powder?

The most important nutrient in milk is protein. And, Melamine has this same protein that contains 'NITROGEN'

Adding Melamine into milk reduces the actual milk content required, and therefore it is cheaper than all milk.

So it lowers the capital required in the production of milk products. Therefore it earns the business man more profit!

Melamine doesn't have any smell, so cannot be detected.

3. When was it discovered that it had been added to milk products?

In 2007, US cats and dogs died suddenly. It was found that their pet food from China contained Melamine.

Early in 2008, in China , an abnormal increase in infant cases of kidney stones was reported.

In August 2008, China Sanlu Milk Powder tested positive for Melamine

Sept. 2008, the New Zealand government asked China to investigate this problem

Sept. 21, 2008, they found that many food products in Taiwan tested for Melamine

4. What happens when Melamine ingested and digested?

Melamine remains inside the kidneys. It forms into stones blocking the tubes. Pain will be imminent and the person cannot urinate. Kidney(s) will then swell. Although surgery can remove the stones, it may cause irreversible kidney damage.

It can lead to the loss of kidney function, which will require on-going kidney dialysis; or lead to death because of uremia.

What is dialysis? In fact, it should be called 'blood washing'; it is filtering all of the body's blood into a machine and then returning the blood back to the body. The whole process takes 4 hours; and it is necessary to have dialysis once every 3 days for the rest of your life.

Why is the contamination much more serious in babies?

A baby's kidneys are so very small and they drink a lot of milk powder.

China currently has 13,000 infants hospitalized.

It does not matter how much Melamine a human being ingested (ate) (took).

The important point is: 'MELAMINE CANNOT BE EATEN!'

5. What foods are to be avoided?

Foods from China that contain dairy products should be avoided.

Remember: Anything chinese-looking and milky/creamy (as above)

Also

6. What do we do next?

Avoid the above foods for at least six months.

If you own or operate a snack bar, a restaurant, or a coffee shops, etc., stop selling dairy products for the meantime.

If you have infants at home, change to mother's milk or find other substitutes.

Finally, share this information with friends so they will understand the risk of milk poisoning.

The whole world needs to know of "Made In China" 'black-hearted' goods.

Do you know how to tell which products are made in the USA , or in the Philippines , in Taiwan, or in China ?

Here's How:

The first 3 digits of the barcode identify the country code wherein the product was made.

For Example: ALL barcodes that start with 690, 691, 692, etc. up to and including 695 are all MADE IN CHINA. Barcodes starting with 471 are on products Made in Taiwan.

You have a right to know. But government and related departments never inform or educate the public. Therefore we must educate ourselves, be vigilant, and RESCUE ourselves.

Today, Chinese businessmen know that consumers will not select products 'Made in China'.

So, they make every effort not to show or state the country of origin on their products.

However, you can now refer to the barcode. DO remember if the first 3 digits are one of those between 690 and 695 inclusive then it is a product Made in China.

OTHER BARCODES:

00 ~ 13 USA & CANADA
30 ~ 37 FRANCE
40 ~ 44 GERMANY
49 ~ JAPAN
50 ~ UK
57 ~ Denmark
64 ~ Finland
76 ~ Switzerland and Liechtenstein
628 ~ Saudi-Arabia
629 ~ United Arab Emirates
740 ~ 745 - Central America

All 480 Codes are Made in the Philippines.

Please inform your family and friends.

Be aware!

And help others to be aware!