

**Golden Ava International Pte Ltd fined \$8,000 for illegal import of meat**

Golden Ava International was fined \$8,000 by the Court today for importing meat products illegally from Myanmar intended for sale.

2 On 13 May 2023, Singapore Food Agency (SFA) officers detected around 15kg of assorted meat products illegally imported from Myanmar by Golden Ava International Pte Ltd, which include chicken sausages and canned chicken. All illegal meat imports were seized.



*Food products seized by SFA (Photos: SFA)*

3 In Singapore, food imports must meet SFA's requirements. Illegally imported food products of unknown sources can pose a food safety risk. Food can only be imported by licensed importers, and every consignment must be declared and accompanied with a valid import permit. In addition, meat and meat products can only be imported from accredited sources in approved countries that comply with our food safety standards and requirements.

4 Offenders who import meat products illegally from unapproved sources or found in possession of meat products for the purpose of selling, which were imported without a valid permit or licence shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$50,000 and/or imprisonment of up to two years. In the case of a subsequent conviction, offenders shall be liable to a fine not exceeding \$100,000 and/or imprisonment of up to three years.

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