

**Company fined \$2,000 for illegal operation of a cold store**

Loo Mee Tai of M/s Siong Onn was fined \$2,000 by the Court today for storing meat and fish products without a valid licence. Two charges for importation of food products without a permit were also taken into consideration.

2 In September 2019, officers from the Singapore Food Agency (SFA) found that M/s Siong Onn had been operating a cold store without a valid license. A total of about 1,500 kg of illegally stored frozen meat and fish products was found in the cold store. All of the products were seized.

3 Illegal storage of meat/fish at unlicensed facilities pose food safety risks. In Singapore, all meat and/or fish storage facilities must be licensed, and are required to meet SFA's requirements and food safety standards. These licensed premises are also routinely inspected by SFA. Offenders who illegally store meat and/or fish products shall be liable on conviction to a maximum fine of \$10,000 and/or imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year.

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