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FREQUENT RECALLS OF ELECTRICAL KITCHEN APPLIANCES IN EU

The European Union (EU) is having a stringent control on electrical kitchen appliances and recently there were frequent recalls on China-made products.

Recently, there were plenty of China-made electrical kitchen appliances, such as coffee machine, electric oven and electric kettle etc, were found to violate the general EU or its member states' specific food contact material regulations. These resulted in these products being rejected by the EU market, seriously affected the brand image of the manufacturers and also suffer from huge economical loss.



According to statistics, most of the recall cases are due to failure to comply with the overall migration limit or specific migration of heavy metals. In addition, there is a recall case due to organopletic problems.

BELOW IS A TABLE SUMMARIZING THE RELATED RECALL CASES IN THE PAST TWO YEARS:

DATE OF CASE	PRODUCT	NOTIFYING COUNTRY	ITEM EXCEEDING LEGAL LIMIT	PENALTY
21/03/12	Electric oven	Italy	Overall migration	Boarder rejection
04/11/11	Electric oven dip tray		Overall migration	Boarder rejection
01/03/11	Electric grill		Migration of Nickel	Boarder rejection
17/02/11	Electric food slicer		Migration of chromium	Boarder rejection
16/11/10	Electrical slicer		Migration of chromium	Boarder rejection
25/08/10	Coffee machine		Overall migration	Boarder rejection
09/02/10	Microwave oven		Migration of chromium	Boarder rejection
05/01/11	Coffee maker and mug set	Finland	Migration of lead and nickel	Boarder rejection
03/02/10	Tea and coffee maker			Boarder rejection
21/03/11 ~ 16/01/12	Electric kettle	Portland	Organoleptic deterioration	Boarder rejection

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