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NOTICE TO THE TRADE – DeCA NOTICE 05-77

SUBJECT: Thaw and Sell Items

The purpose of this Notice to the Trade is to furnish industry with shelf life guidelines for items received by the Defense Commissary Agency (DeCA) in a frozen state, and subsequently sold in a chill or shelf stable fashion. It is critically important that all vendor stockers adhere to these guidelines and label their product with the correct expiration date. Also, please ensure your employees are aware of these guidelines.

If there are items that need to be added to this list or if there are questions about the list, please contact, Max R. Goldfarb at (804) 734-8382, or e-mail max.goldfarb@deca.mil.

/s/

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Chief Operating Officer

Attachment:
As stated

SHELF LIFE ON THAW AND SELL PRODUCTS

Perishable Items (Sold Chill)		
MANUFACTURER Labeled by Vender Stocker	SHELF LIFE FROM SLACK DATE	BROKER
Tyson roasted chicken (all varieties) If displayed frozen	18 days 1 year	Sarvis
Lloyd's (Europe only) Select Cuts, Beef Tub, Pork Tub, Chicken Tub If displayed frozen	60 days 9 months	Tony's Fine Foods
Hormel Prime Rib Thick, Thin, Roast If displayed frozen	28 days 180 days	Dunham & Smith
Johnsonville Brand If displayed frozen	18 days 140 days	Highplains
Primo If displayed frozen	18 days 140 days	Highplains
Klements Sausage (meat department item) If displayed frozen	10 days 6 months	Cascade
Beacon Light If displayed frozen	05 days 1 year	Elite foods
Colesons Seafood If displayed frozen	05 days 1 year	Coleson Foods
Leonettis If displayed frozen	15 days 1 year	Dixon Marketing
Mama Rosa Pizza If displayed frozen	21 days 9 months	WEBCO
Reser's (Europe only) If displayed frozen	60 days 9 months	Tony's Fine Foods
Old El Paso (Europe only) Taco filling beef and chicken If displayed frozen	60 days 9 months	Tony's Fine Foods

Semi-Perishable Items

MANUFACTURER Labeled by Vender Stocker	SHELF LIFE FROM SLACK DATE	BROKER
Otis Spunkmeyer Cookie dough Muffins, Danish, Pre-baked Cookies Snack cakes, on a dry shelf Snack cakes, sold chilled If displayed frozen	Sold frozen 21 days 07 days 14 days 1 year	S. Swartz Sales
Buenos Dias Palmerita, Mini Croissant Pan de Leche, Magdalena, Mango Shortcake If displayed frozen	90 days 45 days 6 months	First Wave
Dimpflmeier Breads If displayed frozen	10 days 1 year	OSC
Rubschlager Breads Cocktails, Rye-olas, Squares Round breads, Sandwich Loaves If displayed frozen	06 weeks 04 weeks 1 year	Euro-American/ Dixon
Furlani, sold dry If displayed frozen	10 days 1 year	Highplains
Kings Hawaiian Breads If displayed frozen	14 days 1 year	Duke
Meyers, Natures Grain If displayed frozen	07 days 1 year	Duke
Tastykake If displayed frozen	21 days 6 months	First Wave
La Tortilla Factory, sold dry If displayed frozen	60 days 6 months	First Wave