



EXPORTING FROZEN FOOD TO CHINA?

China strengthens measures to prevent COVID-19 resurgence from imported virus (*People's Daily Online*, 17-Nov-2020)

- “Beijing Cold Chain” online platform was launched to trace movement of all imported frozen food by QR code
- Suspending import of goods from overseas companies with reported cluster of infection
- A total of 140 cold-chain food producers from 50 countries have been inspected, actions have been taken to 22 companies regarding unqualified products, such as **shipment suspension** or **revocation of registration**
- Food producers are to request for **nucleic acid testing report** and **proof of disinfection** upon purchase of imported frozen food

Contamination from infected handlers can happen **unknowingly** in any part along the supply chain

At **low temperature**, SARS-CoV-2 can persist on product surfaces for prolonged period

ALS COVID-19 Testing Solutions for Food Industry

What should you test?

- **Frozen food** (seafood, meat, poultry, processed food)
- **Packaging of frozen food**
- **Inner walls of container**

Test method

- **RT-qPCR** (nucleic acid test)

TAT

- **24 hours**



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