

OUT-OF-DATE PRODUCT GUIDELINES

| MEAT / PROTEIN | | | |
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| | Best/use by date+ * | Exp. Date+ ** | Notes |
| Frozen - Retail Pack | 6 months | n/a | Styrofoam Tray - Store Wrapped |
| Frozen - Commercial Pack –Whole | 1 year | 1 year | Roasts, Turkeys, Hams, etc. |
| Frozen - Commercial Pack - Sliced/ | 6 months | 6 months | Deli Meats, Hamburgers, etc. |
| Canned/Jar | 2 years | 2 years | Peanut Butter, Canned Tuna, Ham, etc. |
| FRUITS / VEGETABLES | | | |
| Frozen | 18 months | 1 year | |
| Canned | 2 years | 18 months | |
| Fresh | by inspection | by inspection | |
| DAIRY | | | |
| Fresh Milk | 2 days | Zero Days | |
| Cheese - Packaged Sliced / Frozen | 4 months | 3 months | Commercial Pack - Retail Deli Donation |
| Cheese - Packaged Block | 6 months | 4 months | Refrigerated and by inspection |
| Fresh Eggs | 8 weeks | 4 weeks | |
| BEVERAGES | | | |
| Water | 2 years | 18 months | |
| Juice | 18 months | 1 year | |
| Other/Sport | 4 months | 2 months | |
| Soda Diet | 6 months | 3 months | |
| Soda Regular | 1 year | 9 months | |
| OTHER | | | |
| Dry Beans | 18 months | 1 year | |
| Cereal | 18 months | 1 year | |
| Bread | 2 weeks | 1 week | And by inspection |
| Pasta -dried | 18 months | 1 year | |
| Condiments | 6 months | 4 months | Mayonnaise, Ketchup, Dressings |
| Baby Food | Do no distribute past Best/Use by date | | |
| Formula | Do no distribute past Best/Use by date | | |

+ If handled properly and kept at 40 °F or below the product will still be safe, wholesome and of good quality until the stated date *plus* the time listed. For example: Whole frozen turkeys with a best/use by date of Jan 1st, 2012 are safe to distribute to clients until Jan 1st, 2013.

* **"Best/use by date"** is recommended for best flavor or quality and is determined by the manufacturer of the product.

** **"Exp. Date"** is when the product has lost peak quality.

Source: United States Department of Agriculture, Food Safety Inspection Service. Url: <http://www.fsis.usda.gov/>