FOOD CRIME

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Working in partnership with CrimeStoppers.

Help us prevent food crime. Food crime is fraudulent activity that can impact the safety and authenticity of food and drink. It can put people at risk and damage the reputation of Scotland's food and drink industry. Here are the types of food crime to look out for:



Food Fraud

Swapping or adding cheaper, lower quality or dangerous ingredients.



Mislabelling

Deliberately falsifying information on food labels, for example, saying it's Scottish produce, free range or organic when it's not.



Illicit Goods

Selling a product as something it isn't, such as fake vodka or wine being sold as genuine.



Document Fraud

Fraudulently using the identity of a genuine food business or using falsified documents to assure the quality of a product.



Illegal Slaughter

Slaughtering farmed and wild animals under conditions which don't meet animal welfare or hygiene standards.



Unfit Food

Allowing food to be sold that could be a risk to consumers: from putting animal by-products back into the food chain, to changing use-by dates.

If you have any information or concerns about food crime, call the Scottish Food Crime Hotline. It's free, completely confidential and open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

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