If you are familiar with this Ordinance, please ignore this message.

Food Safety Ordinance in Force

Not registered yet? Please act NOW!

1. <u>Registration Scheme for food importers and food distributors</u>

From **1 February 2012**, food importers and distributors who **have not registered** with the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) but carry on a food importation or distribution business, without reasonable excuse, **commit an offence** and are liable to a maximum fine of \$50,000 and imprisonment for 6 months.

Food importers and distributors exempted from registration are also required to submit supplementary information to FEHD, such as information of contact and food category of imported/distributed food.

2. <u>Record-keeping requirement to the movement of food</u>

From 1 February 2012, all food importers and distributors are required to maintain records of the movements of food. Food retailers have to keep records of acquisition of food. Any person who **fails to comply with the record-keeping requirement**, without reasonable excuse, **commits an offence** and is liable to a maximum fine of \$10,000 and imprisonment for 3 months.

For detailed information, please browse the website <u>www.foodsafetyord.gov.hk</u> or call our office hour hotline: 2156 3017 or 2156 3034.