



The University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine

Due to the discovery of aflatoxin, Diamond Pet Foods has issued a voluntary recall of certain pet food products manufactured in its Gaston, South Carolina facility and distributed in the eastern United States. The recalled products are listed below.

Aflatoxin, which can be harmful to pets if consumed, is a naturally occurring toxic by-product from the growth of the fungus *Aspergillus flavus*, on corn and other crops.

If you suspect your dog has eaten food from the recalled products, clinicians at the UT College of Veterinary Medicine recommend you ask your veterinarian to evaluate your dog's liver enzymes. If your dog has been eating the food in question and the liver enzymes are normal, UT veterinarians recommend treating the dog with SAME (S-Adenosylmethionine), milk thistle, and vitamin E, which are antioxidants shown in some studies to be beneficial for liver disease. Both are available over-the-counter at most pharmacies. Recheck the dog's liver enzymes and coagulation profile again in three or four weeks. However, if your dog shows any signs of liver disease such as lethargy, decreased appetite, yellow tint in the white of the eyes or around the gum line, vomiting, or bloody stool, contact your veterinarian immediately.

Recalled products can be identified by the Date Code and "Best By" dates listed on the back panel of the package. Recalled products will have a capital "G" (in reference to Gaston) in the 11th or 12th position of the date code (18 lb. to 55 lb. bags), and "Best By" dates between March 1, 2007 and June 10, 2007. The capital "G" will be in the 9th position on smaller 4 lb. to 8 lb. bags.

- Diamond Premium Adult Dog Food
- Diamond Hi-Energy Dog Food
- Diamond Maintenance Dog Food
- Diamond Performance Dog Food
- Diamond Puppy Food
- Diamond Low Fat Dog Food
- Diamond Maintenance Cat Food
- Diamond Professional Cat Food
- Country Value Puppy
- Country Value Adult Dog Food
- Country Value High Energy Dog Food
- Country Value Adult Cat Food
- Professional Reduced Fat Chicken & Rice Dog Food

- Professional Chicken & Rice Adult Dog Food
- Professional Puppy Food
- Professional Large-Breed Puppy Food
- Professional Reduced Fat Cat Food
- Professional Adult Cat Food

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