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## RECALL OF HAIGH'S CHOCOLATE PRODUCT

South Australian business, Haigh's Chocolates, is recalling a batch of Milk Chocolate Maltichocs as a result of undeclared hazelnuts detected in the product.

The Department for Health and Wellbeing's Acting Director of Food and Controlled Drugs Branch, Joanne Cammans, said the batch of chocolates made specifically for Father's Day contain unmarked nut allergens due to chocolate hazelnuts being packaged as Milk Chocolate Maltichocs which could cause harm.

"Ingesting nut products can potentially cause a dangerous reaction for people who are allergic," Ms Cammans said.

"Severe reactions to nut allergens can cause anaphylaxis, which in some situations can be life threatening.

"Symptoms of anaphylaxis can include a runny nose or a skin rash similar to an allergic reaction or can develop into more serious signs such as coughing, wheezing, and pain, itching or tightness in the chest.

"As a precaution, we are asking people not to consume this product and to return it for a full refund.

"Haigh's is proactively working with SA Health and Food Standards Australia-New Zealand to remove the affected products from shelves and notify consumers."

The recall affects the following Haigh's Chocolates product:

- Milk Chocolate Maltichocs 250g (cardboard box) – best before 17 Jan 2021, batch code 2107422

This product is available at Haigh's Chocolates online and in retail outlets in South Australia, New South Wales and Canberra. No other Haigh's Chocolate products are affected by the recall.

Anyone who has purchased the affected product should check the "best before" date and return it for a full refund or call 08 8372 7035 for more information.

For health concerns, consumers should contact their GP.

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