

Malaysia lifts export ban on live broiler chickens

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Malaysia lifted the export ban on live broiler chickens in October. According to the Singapore Food Agency (SFA), SFA has received an official notification from Malaysia's Department of Veterinary Services.

SFA said, "As Singapore will continue to face disruptions in our food supply from time to time, due to external factors, SFA will continue to accredit more sources of chicken and work with the industry to diversify. We encourage businesses to review their Business Continuity Plans and to diversify further. This helps the industry to spread out and reduce the risks of supply disruptions. Households and individuals too can contribute to our food resilience by being flexible with our food and ingredient choices, and switching to alternative products or sources when necessary."

Malaysia imposed restrictions on export on June 1st this year, in response to a shortage of chickens in Malaysia. Malaysia used to supply one-third of the chicken to Singapore. In response, Singapore began sourcing chicken from other countries including Indonesia and Thailand.