



KOBE BUSSAN CO., LTD.



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**Announcement on Implementation of Pesticide Residue Voluntary Testing
for All Containers of Imported Agricultural Products to Ensure Food Safety and Reliability**

Kobe Bussan Co., Ltd. (headquartered in Kakogawa-shi, Hyogo, Japan; Hirokazu Numata, President and Representative Director), which operates Gyomu Super stores nationwide under a franchise system, hereby announces that it has commenced pesticide residue voluntary testing for all containers of agricultural products imported from overseas.

Imported foods distributed in Japan have traditionally been tested for pesticide residues by government-certified organizations or local governments. In addition, we have conducted pesticide residue testing and production management in exporting countries prior to importation.

To further enhance the safety of imported agricultural products, in addition to existing inspections, we have commenced domestic voluntary testing for pesticide residues. Based on the items listed in the government's Imported Foods Monitoring Plan for FY 2025, we have added more than 300 testing items for agricultural chemical residues.

The products subject to testing total approximately 680 items, including frozen vegetables and fruits, as well as dried vegetables and tea leaves that have not been flavored or otherwise processed. The testing is outsourced to external institutions and conducted using gas chromatography-mass spectrometry and liquid chromatography-mass spectrometry, which are recognized as high accurate and reliable methods for pesticide residue testing.

As interest in food safety and reliability continues to grow, we believe that our duty and important mission as a company whose core business is food is to deliver "More Value for Less Price" while maintaining a stricter inspection and sale system. To ensure that our customers can enjoy their diets with peace of mind, we are committed to conducting voluntary pesticide residue testing, and we sincerely ask for your continued understanding and support.

■ Outline of the voluntary pesticide residue testing

Test details: Voluntary pesticide residue testing for all containers of agricultural products imported from overseas
Number of test items: 314 items
Products subject to testing: Approximately 680 items, including frozen vegetables and fruits, as well as dried vegetables and tea leaves (The images below show examples of the products subject to testing.)



Start of testing: From the end of July 2025

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