Is this Food Still Safe?

"Best By" / "Sell By" dates are actually about quality, not safety! Many foods can be safely eaten past the listed date.

Shelf-Stable Foods



Up to 2 years past date if undamaged



Jarred &

Bottled Food



Boxed Food

Up to 1 year past the date (unless there is pest damage)



Bread

Freeze close to sellby date. Discard if moldy If unopened, up to 1.5 years past date (unless color changes or product has separated)



Baby Food &

Formula

Discard on expiration date

Refrigerated & Frozen Foods



Milk

Unopened, up to 7 days past the date *



Cheese, Eggs &

Yogurt

2-4 weeks past the date*



Frozen

Foods

Up to 1 year past the date, unless discolored

*as long as smell and taste are normal



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