

## Antibiotic Residues

Antibiotics are used in salmon feed from time to time for the treatment of specific disease conditions which occur in both farmed and wild salmon. Antibiotics are not used for growth promotion or for low level prophylactic treatment, and overall antibiotic use in salmon is a fraction of what is used in poultry and livestock operations. Antibiotics are administered under the direct supervision of a licensed veterinarian and for salmon sold in the United States, only drugs approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) are permitted to be used.

There are strict withdrawal periods which are monitored by government agencies including the FDA for salmon produced or consumed in the United States. These are designed to ensure that antibiotics in salmon harvested for food do not exceed permissible limits.

## Hormones

Hormones are not used in salmon grown for human consumption.