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Diamond Pet Foods has issued a voluntary recall of limited batches of their dry dog and cat food formulas manufactured between December 9, 2011, and April 7, 2012 due to Salmonella concerns. Although none of the products being recalled have tested positive for Salmonella, the company is pulling them from store shelves as a precaution.

Brands included in the recall include:

- * Chicken Soup for the Pet Lover's Soul
- * Country Value
- * Diamond
- * Diamond Naturals
- * Premium Edge
- * Professional
- * 4Health
- * Taste of the Wild

To determine if your pet food is recalled, check the production codes on the back of bags. Any production codes that have a number "2" or a "3" in the 9th or 10th digit and an "X" in the 11th digit in the production code should be discarded. The best before dates are December 9, 2012, through April 7, 2013.

The Kirkland Signature products included in the recall include:

- * Kirkland Signature Super Premium Adult Dog Lamb, Rice & Vegetable Formula (Best Before December 9, 2012 through January 31, 2013)
- * Kirkland Signature Super Premium Adult Dog Chicken, Rice & Vegetable Formula (Best Before December 9, 2012 through January 31, 2013)
- * Kirkland Signature Super Premium Mature Dog Chicken, Rice & Egg Formula (Best Before December 9, 2012 through January 31, 2013)
- * Kirkland Signature Super Premium Healthy Weight Dog Formulated with Chicken & Vegetables (Best Before December 9, 2012 through January 31, 2013)
- * Kirkland Signature Super Premium Maintenance Cat Chicken & Rice Formula (Best Before December 9, 2012 through January 31, 2013)
 - * Kirkland Signature Super Premium Healthy Weight Cat Formula (December 9, 2012 through January 31, 2013)
- * Kirkland Signature Nature's Domain Salmon Meal & Sweet Potato Formula for Dogs (December 9, 2012 through January 31, 2013)

Pet owners who are unsure if the product they purchased is included in the recall, or who would like replacement product or a refund, may contact Diamond Pet Foods via a toll free call at 1-866-918-8756, Monday through Sunday, 8 am – 6pm EST. Consumers may also go to www.diamondpet.com/information/ for more information. The company is working with distributors and retailers to ensure all affected product is removed from shelves.

Salmonellosis is a zoonotic bacterial disease, meaning it can be transmitted to humans. Symptoms commonly seen in cats include:

- * Fever
- * Lethargy
- * Diarrhea
- * Vomiting

- * Inappetence
- * Weight loss
- * Dehydration
- * Mucus in stool
- * Abnormally fast heart rate
- * Swollen lymph nodes

To confirm a diagnosis of salmonellosis, your veterinarian will examine your cat. Treatment includes symptomatic treatments for vomiting and diarrhea, along with antibiotics.f you have any questions or concerns, please call our office 248-540-3390.