

Il Patio Fined for Pizza Shell

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Moscow City Court upheld on Thursday a district court's earlier decision to fine a restaurant chain 2.8 million rubles (\$100,000) over a mussel shell that crippled a contestant of a reality show.

Viktoria Karasyova, a former participant of the "Dom-2" television show, said she received an esophageal rupture after she was served the shell in a pizza at an Il Patio restaurant in Moscow in 2009, Infosud.ru reported.

She said she was left disabled despite four months of treatment and had to drop out of the show.

The chain's owner, Rosinter, said Karasyova never proved that the injury was caused by shell from the pizza, but the court ruled otherwise. The company may appeal but has not indicated whether it plans to do so.

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