

## Two die in Torremolinos from the Ice Rink

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Court investigation continues into Legionnaires outbreak in Benalmádena last year which killed two Britons By m.p. Feb 24, 2008 - 9:31 PM

The court investigation into the outbreak of Legionnaire's Disease at the Benalmádena ice rink in June last year continues at Instruction Court No. 2 in Torremolinos, where 23 people have been called to give evidence in the case. Europa Press said they include those who were taken ill and their families, with the first statements to be taken this Tuesday, to continue through until 28th March. Eighteen people were taken ill in the outbreak which was traced to the ice rink's refrigeration tower last year. Three of them died - a Spaniard from Oviedo and two people from Britain who never recovered.

The investigation came after the Málaga prosecution detected evidence of a possible crime after studying information supplied by the Junta de Andalucía and a complaint from the Patients Rights Association – El Defensor del Paciente – which is acting for the majority of those who were taken ill.

The Málaga chief prosecutor decided to open an informative investigation after information from the Junta de Andalucía that the company which runs the ice rink complex previously knew about the Legionnaires infection, with concerns also of reported maintenance deficiencies and the lack of an opening licence for the complex.