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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>UNITED KINGDOM</u>
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- **2. Agency responsible:** The UK Food Safety Authorities comprising of the Food Standards Agency (FSA) and Food Standards Scotland (FSS)
- 3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): List of regulated products: Feed additives; Food additives; Food enzymes; Flavourings; Food contact materials (FCMs); Food or feed containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified organisms (GMOs); Novel foods; Smoke flavourings
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
 - [X] All trading partners
 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- **5. Title of the notified document:** Notice of Regulated products reform notification of changes made by The Food and Feed (Regulated Products) (Amendment, Revocation, Consequential and Transitional Provision) Regulations 2025. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 105
- **6. Description of content:** The UK Food Safety Authorities are notifying members of the intention to bring into force legislation that:
 - Removes requirements for the periodic renewal of authorisations for food or feed produced from, consisting of, or containing, GMOs, feed additives and smoke flavourings; and
 - Allows authorisations to come into effect following ministerial decisions in England, Wales and Scotland, and then be published in an official public register or list maintained by the FSA and FSS, rather than being prescribed by statutory instrument.

These changes apply to the food and feed regulated product regulatory regimes covering feed additives; food additives, enzymes and flavourings; food contact materials (FCMs); food or feed containing, consisting of or produced from GMOs; novel foods; and smoke flavourings.

The United Kingdom is signposting Members to the regulated products authorisation lists where the authorised feed additives, food additives, enzymes, flavourings, food contact materials, GMOs, novel foods and smoke flavourings accepted for use in Great Britain are contained. The lists can be found here: Regulated products authorisations lists.

Any lists/registers not currently available will be published prior to the entry in to force. Any relevant future authorisation decisions will be notified as required.

7. Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.

- 8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
 - [X] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):
 - CXG 62-2007, Working Principles for Risk Analysis for Food Safety for Application by Governments
 - CXG 80-2013, Guidelines on the Application of Risk Assessment for Feed
 - [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):
 - [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
 - [] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[X] Yes [] No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: FSA original consultation on proposed reforms to the regulated products authorisation process (03/04/2024-05/06/2024)

FSA summary of responses to consultation on proposed reforms to the regulated products authorisation process (03/04/2024-05/06/2024) (available in English)

10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 29 January 2025

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 29 January 2025

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 April 2025
 - [X] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 18 April 2025

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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13. Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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