



Department  
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Food & Rural Affairs

## Watercress: traditional speciality guaranteed (TSG)

Decision to register Watercress as a TSG under the UK geographical indications scheme.

The Secretary of State has decided to register Watercress as a traditional speciality guaranteed (TSG) on the UK geographical indications (GI) register.

See the [approved product specification](#) for Watercress.

### Legal basis of the decision

The Secretary of State was satisfied that the application met the conditions of the UK GI protected food name scheme under Article 49 of Regulation 1151/2012 (as amended). The Secretary of State published the product specification for Watercress.

Anyone with a legitimate interest had the opportunity to lodge a notice of objection with the Secretary of State to object to the registration of Watercress as a TSG.

The Secretary of State did not receive any notices of objection.

As no notice of objection was lodged with the Secretary of State under Article 51 of Regulation 1151/2012, the Secretary of State, in accordance with Article 52(2) of Regulation 1151/2012, has decided to register the name Watercress as a TSG. The Secretary of State will enter the name onto the register maintained under Article 22 of Regulation 1151/2012. In accordance with Article 14(1) of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 668/2014 laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs, the Secretary of State will enter the name on the register on 21 September 2021. This is the 20th day after the decision notice was published.

The entry of the name on the register will grant the protection provided for in Article 24 of Regulation 1151/2012. That protection will take effect as soon as the product name is added to the register.

### Appeal against the decision

If you disagree with this decision, you have until midnight on 29 September 2021 to [appeal to the First-tier Tribunal](#).

A successful appeal may mean the Secretary of State decides to remove Watercress from the register.