

NOTICE

published under Article 52(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs of the decision to reject an application to register "Wiltshire Cured Ham/Bacon/Gammon" name as a Traditional Speciality Guaranteed

Notice is given to The British Meat Processors Association and to the public that, pursuant to Article 52(3)(b) of the assimilated Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 (EUR 2012/1151)("the Regulation"), the Secretary of State has decided to reject the application submitted by The British Meat Processors Association to register "Wiltshire Cured Ham", together with the alternative names "Wiltshire Cured Bacon" and "Wiltshire Cured Gammon", as a Traditional Speciality Guaranteed (TSG) under the UK Government's quality scheme for agricultural products and foodstuffs.

Reason for the decision

Following the scrutiny and opposition procedure and taking into account the results of the appropriate consultations carried out in accordance with Article 51(3) of the Regulation, the Secretary of State has decided not to register the name applied for because there is another traditional production method for producing "Wiltshire Cured Ham". The Secretary of State considers that the ground of opposition specified in Article 21(1)(b) of the Regulation has been made out in respect of the application because the use of the name is lawful, renowned and economically significant for similar agricultural products or foodstuffs and, as a result, registration of the name applied for would prevent other legitimate producers from using that name.

Appeal against the decision

An appeal against the Secretary of State's decision can be made to the First-tier Tribunal in accordance with Article 54a of the Regulation, as read with Annex IB to that Regulation, and rule 22 of the Tribunal Procedure (First-tier Tribunal) (General Regulatory Chamber) Rules 2009 (S.I. 2009/1976) (the 2009 Rules"). The appropriate notice to complete is form GRC1, which can be found on the www.gov.uk website.

An appeal must be made by sending or delivering a notice of appeal to the Tribunal so that it is received by the Tribunal before 5pm on **15 April 2025** and include the information specified in rule 22(2) of the 2009 Rules.

Rule 22(2) of the 2009 Rules specifies what the notice of appeal must include. This includes the name and address of the respondent (rule 22(2)(d) of the 2009 Rules).

The name of the respondent is the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs. This should be included in section 4.1 of the form (regulator's details).

The address given in section 4.2 of the form should be that of the Government Legal Service, whose postal address is:

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In accordance with rule 22(3) of the 2009 Rules, an appeal against the decision to which this notice relates must include a copy of this notice.