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Legislation review with developments in food and feed law

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Summary

This is a summary of UK legislation in food and feed law and related scientific and regulatory issues for the period from 1 October to 31 December 2024. Other relevant technical updates are listed thereafter.

Primary GB legislation.

No updates.

Secondary GB legislation.

[The Nutrition and Health Claims \(Wales\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2024](#) provide for the enforcement and execution of EC Regulation 1924/2006 in Wales. Also available in [Welsh](#).

[The Feed Additives \(Authorisations\) and Uses of Feed Intended for Particular Nutritional Purposes \(Amendment of Commission Regulation \(EU\) 2020/354\) \(England\) Regulations 2024](#) make an amendment to the feed for particular uses Regulations, and authorise / re-authorise a number of feed additives in England. Similar Regulations apply in Scotland [The Feed Additives \(Authorisations\) and Uses of Feed Intended for Particular Nutritional Purposes \(Miscellaneous Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024](#) and in Wales [The Feed Additives \(Authorisations\) and Uses of Feed Intended for Particular Nutritional Purposes \(Amendment of Commission Regulation \(EU\) 2020/354\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2024](#) and in [Welsh](#).

[The Official Controls \(Import of High Risk Food and Feed of Non-Animal Origin\) Amendment \(Scotland\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2024](#) make amendments to the list of foods and analytes which are subject to temporary increase in official controls at point of entry to the UK. Equivalent Regulations apply to England [The Official Controls \(Import of High-Risk Food and Feed of Non-Animal Origin\) \(Amendment of Commission Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2019/1793\) \(England\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2024](#) and Wales [The Official Controls \(Import of High-Risk Food and Feed of Non-Animal Origin\) \(Amendment of Commission Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2019/1793\) \(No. 2\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2024](#) and in [Welsh](#).

[The Food Safety \(Sampling and Qualifications\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2024](#) makes amendments to the list of specified states with regard to the recognition of professional qualifications.

The Bread and Flour (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2024 adds the definitions 'common wheat' and 'wholemeal flour' and makes amendments to the essential ingredients including the mandatory addition of folic acid. Equivalent Regulations apply to Northern Ireland [The Bread and Flour \(Amendment\) Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2024](#), and Scotland [The Bread and Flour Amendment \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024](#).

[The Free-Range Egg Marketing Standards \(Amendment\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2024](#) makes amendment to the requirements for marketing eggs as 'free range'.

EU Legislation

[Commission Regulation \(EU\) 2024/3190 of 19 December 2024 on the use of bisphenol A \(BPA\) and other bisphenols and bisphenol derivatives with harmonised classification for specific hazardous properties in certain materials and articles intended to come into contact with food, amending Regulation \(EU\) No 10/2011 and repealing Regulation \(EU\) 2018/213](#)

Amendments to novel foods legislation

[Commission Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2024/2694 of 17 October 2024 authorising the placing on the market of magnesium L-threonate as a novel food and amending Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2017/2470](#)

[Commission Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2024/2682 of 16 October 2024 amending Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2017/2470 as regards the specifications of the novel food vitamin D2 mushroom powder](#) Amendments to maximum residue levels can be found [here](#).

Agriculture

Amendments and additions to feed additive authorisations can be found [here](#).

The Guide is intended for use by all who are involved in the design, implementation or monitoring of school programmes and policies and most particularly, for those interested in taking legislative action (law making or law reform) to develop or strengthen national legislation to improve food security and nutrition in schools as well as community development.

In particular, the Guide is intended for:

- Policy makers
- Parliamentarians
- Legal advisers
- Law practitioners
- Advocates for improved food security and nutrition in schools.