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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 25 June to 30 September 2025. Other relevant technical updates are listed thereafter.

Primary GB legislation

[Agriculture Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2025](#) makes amendments to the CMO regulation in relation to aid in the fruit and vegetable sector in Northern Ireland.

Secondary GB legislation

[The Sheep Carcase \(Classification and Price Reporting\) \(England\) Regulations 2025](#) make provisions for the mandatory classification and price reporting of sheep carcasses at larger slaughterhouses.

[The Cosmetic Products \(Restriction of Chemical Substances\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2025](#) made amendments to the Cosmetic Regulations to ensure the safe use of benzophenone-3.

[The Animal Health \(Import Controls\) \(Wales\) Order 2025](#) prohibits the importation into Wales of products from susceptible animals which are intended for personal consumption or use. The prohibition applies to imports arriving from territories which are subject to special transitional import arrangements, and are also available in [Welsh](#). Equivalent Regulations are in place in [Scotland](#).

[The Free-Range Poultrymeat Marketing Standards \(Amendment\) \(England\) Regulations 2025](#) amend legislation relating to the marketing of poultrymeat as free-range in the event of measures being adopted which restrict continuous daytime access of poultry to open-air runs in order to protect public and animal health

EU Legislation

[Commission Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2025/1560 of 30 July 2025 authorising a health claim made on foods, other than those referring to the reduction of disease risk and to children's development and health, and amending Regulation \(EU\) No 432/2012](#)

[Commission Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2025/1549 of 30 July 2025 correcting Implementing Regulations \(EU\) 2023/2210 and \(EU\) 2022/1365 as regards the conditions of use of the novel foods 3-Fucosyllactose produced by a derivative strain of Escherichia coli K-12 DH1 and Schizochytrium sp. oil rich in DHA and EPA](#)

[Commission Regulation \(EU\) 2025/1891 of 17 September 2025 amending Regulation \(EU\) 2023/915 as regards maximum levels of inorganic arsenic in fish and other seafood](#)

[Commission Regulation \(EU\) 2025/1377 of 15 July 2025 amending and correcting Regulation \(EU\) No 142/2011 as regards certain requirements for the placing on the market and imports of animal by-products and derived products not intended for human consumption](#)

Two changes to genetically modified organism's authorisations:

[Commission Implementing Decision \(EU\) 2025/1898 of 22 September 2025 authorising the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified maize DP51291 pursuant to Regulation \(EC\) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council \(notified under document C\(2025\) 6319\)](#)

[Commission Implementing Decision \(EU\) 2025/1321 of 4 July 2025 authorising the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified soybean MON 87705 × MON 87708 × MON 89788 pursuant to Regulation \(EC\) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council \(notified under document C\(2025\) 4349\)](#)

Amendments to **novel foods** legislation:

[Commission Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2025/1509 of 25 July 2025 amending Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2017/2470 as regards the specifications of the novel food phytosterols/phytosteranols](#)

[Commission Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2025/1530 of 30 July 2025 authorising the placing on the market of potassium magnesium trichloride hexahydrate as a novel food and amending Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2017/2470](#)

[Commission Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2025/1515 of 28 July 2025 authorising the placing on the market of Schizochytrium limacinum \(ATCC-20889\) oil as a novel food and amending Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2017/2470](#)

[Commission Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2025/1528 of 30 July 2025 authorising the placing on the market of Cyperus esculentus \(tiger nut\) oil as a novel food and amending Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2017/2470](#)

[Commission Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2025/1513 of 28 July 2025 amending Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2017/2470 as regards the conditions of use and the additional labelling requirements of the novel food Calanus finmarchicus oil](#)

[Commission Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2025/1537 of 29 July 2025 amending Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2017/2470 as regards the conditions of use of the novel food 3-Fucosyllactose produced by a derivative strain of Escherichia coli BL21 \(DE3\)](#)

[Commission Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2025/1263 of 30 June 2025 authorising the placing on the market of roasted seeds of Dipteryx alata Vogel \(baru\) as a traditional food from a third country and amending Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2017/2470](#)

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.