



Department
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NOTICE

Published under Article 6(4m) of assimilated Regulation (EU) No 664/2014 of 13 June 2014 laying down rules for the application of assimilated Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs ("Regulation (EU) No 664/2014").

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to Article 6(4m) of Regulation (EU) No 664/2014, the Secretary of State has approved a temporary amendment to the Product Specification for "Scotch Beef", a protected geographical indication for beef produced in Scotland.

Reason for the decision

The Secretary of State has examined an application submitted under Article 6(4) of Regulation (EU) No 664/2014 to temporarily amend the specification for "Scotch Beef" and, having scrutinised the application, is satisfied that the proposed change fulfils the requirements of paragraph 4e of that Regulation.

The temporary amendment permits cattle meeting all other requirements of the Scotch Beef product specification to be slaughtered and dressed at the Sawley abattoir in England whilst essential repairs are undertaken at the storm-damaged Saltcoats facility in Scotland. This means that such product will be considered exempt from the requirement in the specification to be handled at an abattoir in Scotland during the period of the amendment.

The temporary amendment will apply for 10 weeks, from 15 September 2026 to 23 November 2026 inclusive.

Appeal against the decision

An appeal against the Secretary of State's decision can be made to the First-tier Tribunal in accordance with the Tribunal Procedure (First-tier Tribunal) (General Regulatory Chamber) Rules 2009 (S.I. 2009/1976), as amended (the 2009 Rules). The appropriate notice to complete is form GRC1, which can be found on the GOV.UK website.

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 Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs.

The address of the respondent is that of the Government Legal Service, whose postal address is:

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Westminster
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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.

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 5 p.m. on 12 October 2026 (Rule 22(1) and 22(6)(h) of the 2009 Rules)