

Newsletter – December 2024

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Announcement on new UK Government measures



UK Government On 16 December, the Deputy Prime Minister announced plans to make devolution the default approach for English regions, empowering local leaders with greater control over housing, infrastructure, transport, and skills.

The [English Devolution White Paper](#) aims to enhance regional growth, improve living standards, and create strategic authorities to streamline governance. The proposals build on the UK Government's ongoing commitment to decentralise power from Whitehall, ensuring that decisions are made by those with local knowledge and a vested interest in their communities.



National Audit Office

NAO Defra overview

The National Audit Office (NAO) has published its 2023-24 [overview of the Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs \(Defra\)](#), detailing the department's role and key priorities.

The report highlights Defra's focus on enhancing agricultural sustainability, improving environmental quality, reducing flood risks, minimising waste, raising animal welfare standards, boosting carbon storage for net-zero goals, and ensuring clean water supplies. It also outlines Defra's regulatory responsibilities and delivery mechanisms for these objectives.

Food safety

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FSA December Board meeting

The Food Standards Agency (FSA) held its last [Board meeting](#) of the year on 11 December, at which a range of issues were discussed. These included the National Level Regulation (NLR) programme, the proposed reforms to the market authorisation process, the regulatory sandbox on cell cultivated products, risk assessment of Cannabidiol (CBD) and the costs of FSA meat inspections. The [meeting papers](#) and a [recording](#) of the event are available to view.



Department
for Environment
Food & Rural Affairs

UK Food Security Report 2024

On 11 December, Defra published the [UK Food Security Report 2024](#), providing an analysis of data related to food security in the UK, and examining past, current and future trends related to food security. It covers the period 2021-2024.

Topics covered include global food availability, UK food supply sources (including potatoes), food supply chain resilience, food security at household level (including ultra-processed foods (UPF)), food safety and consumer confidence.



NFCU Fraud Resilience Tool update

The FSA's National Food Crime Unit (NFCU) has updated its [Food Fraud Resilience Self-Assessment Tool](#), offering new content, advice, and useful links based on industry feedback. This free tool takes just 20 minutes to complete and helps businesses assess their resilience to food fraud, evaluate risks, and strengthen their defences.



Food Authenticity Network newsletter

The December edition of the [Food Authenticity Network \(FAN\) newsletter](#) is now available. The Network aims to help protect the global food supply from fraud.



Government Chemist

Government Chemical e-webinar on food sampling

An [e-seminar on food sampling](#), produced by the Joint Knowledge Transfer Framework for Food Standards and Food Safety Analysis, funded by the FSA, Defra, Food Standards Scotland (FSS) and the Department for Science Innovation and Technology (DSIT), has been made available to provide information to promote a better understanding of different sampling approaches that can be used in different situations.



EU One Health 2023 Zoonoses Report



On 10 December, the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) and the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) released the European Union [One Health 2023 Zoonoses Report](#), highlighting that campylobacteriosis and salmonellosis were the most reported zoonotic diseases in humans for 2023. The report notes an increase in cases compared to 2022 and underscores the need for continued monitoring and preventive measures to address these public health concerns.



ILSI Europe review on contaminants in food

A new ILSI Europe paper has been published, addressing the ambiguity of chemical contaminants.

The paper, titled '[The definition of chemical contaminants in food: Ambiguity and consequences](#)', was published on 10 December. It explores the varying definitions and interpretations of 'chemical contaminant' among regulatory bodies and stakeholders, highlighting the challenges stemming from the absence of a unified consensus on its meaning and the criteria for its classification.



Codex Alimentarius Commission 47th meeting

The 47th session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission ([CAC47](#)) took place from 25-30 November, in Geneva, Switzerland.

The meeting [draft report](#) has been published, along with the draft appendices (see [CAC47](#)), covering adopted and revoked standards, and approved and discontinued work. New texts adopted include the Guidelines for food hygiene control measures in traditional markets for food, a Code of practice for the prevention and reduction of ciguatera poisoning in foods and a revision of the Codex General Standard for the Labelling of Pre-packaged Foods (GSLPF), in relation to allergen labelling provisions.



New CAC Chairmanship

CAC47 also marked the end of the tenure for CAC Chair Steve Wearne and Vice-Chairs Allan Azegele, Diego Varela, and Raj Rajasekar. Allan Azegele has been elected as the [new Chair](#) and assumes his role following the conclusion of CAC47, along with the newly elected Vice-Chairs, Khalid Al Zhrani, Jing Tian, and Betul Vazgecer.

Health and wellbeing

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Department of Health & Social Care

New Regulation on LHF advertising restrictions published

On 3 December, the UK Government published [The Advertising \(Less Healthy Food Definitions and Exemptions\) Regulations 2024](#), laying down the specific provisions on advertising restrictions on TV and online for 'less healthy products' (LHF). The new Regulations, along with the provisions on advertising restrictions of LHF under the [Communications Act 2003](#), come into force across the UK on 1 October 2025.

The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) has also published [UK LHF advertising guidance](#) on the new regulations focussing on product categories in scope.



Department of Health & Social Care

CMO annual report 2024

On 12 December, the [Chief Medical Officer \(CMO\) annual report for 2024](#) was published. Titled 'Health in cities', the report highlights the unique health challenges and opportunities within England's cities. The CMO makes several recommendations, including targeted interventions in deprived areas to address obesity and other health risks, such as mandatory reporting on health metrics by large businesses, introduction of healthy sales targets for foods high in fat, salt and sugar (HFSS) and fiscal levers to incentivise reformulation.



Changes to EP ENVI Committee

On 18 December, the European Parliament (EP) Plenary approved the decision to convert the EP's sub-committee on Public Health (SANT), which was previously reporting to the EP Committee on Environment, Public Health and Food Safety (ENVI), into a new standing committee as of January 2025.

Food safety will remain under ENVI, but it is understood that SANT will be dealing with matters related to public health, such as cancer and non-communicable diseases.



US 2025 Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee report

On 13 December, the [2025 Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee](#) of the US Department of Agriculture (USDA) released its scientific report, recommending Americans increase consumption of beans, peas, and lentils, while reducing red and processed meats, starchy vegetables (incl. potatoes), added sugars, sodium, and saturated fats. The report emphasises plant-based diets and seafood, aiming to address diet-related health challenges. These recommendations will inform the 2025-2030 Dietary Guidelines for Americans, influencing nutrition policies nationwide.

Environment and sustainability

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EP and Council agreement to delay EU Deforestation Regulations

On 17 December, the EP and the Council provisionally agreed with the European Commission's (EC) proposal to grant a 12-month additional phase-in period for the [EU Deforestation Regulation \(EUDR\)](#). The law will become applicable on 30 December 2025 for large operators and traders and 30 June 2026 for micro- and small enterprises.

Agriculture

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UK Government announcement on agricultural investment

Department for Environment Food & Rural Affairs On 11 December, the UK Government [announced](#) an investment of over £343 million into the rural economy, benefiting more than 31,000 farmers. This includes payments of £223 million to Countryside Stewardship revenue customers and £74 million to Environmental Stewardship customers.

As part of a £5 billion farming budget, the Government is also introducing an improved Countryside Stewardship Higher Tier (CSHT) scheme, which will open in 2025 with new quarterly payments to support farmers' cashflow and a rolling application window. Additionally, the Government is expanding the Sustainable Farming Incentive (SFI) with new actions, intended to further enhance environmental benefits, and boosting food production sustainability.

Plant protection products

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Notification of EU draft Regulation on CIPC

On 16 December, the EC notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) of its [draft Regulation](#) which amends the current European temporary Maximum Residue Level (tMRL) for chlorpropham (CIPC). The regulation has yet to be voted on within the Standing Committee.



CIPC residue monitoring report 2023-2024

The European Potato Value Chain, has submitted its report on CIPC residue monitoring for the 2023-2024 season to the EC. As in previous years, the report outlines activities on the implementation of cleaning practices and provides an analysis of the results of the European monitoring database in the context of the temporary MRL regulation.

The report observes consistent improvements in the residue levels of CIPC, with a substantial decrease in residue levels. A small percentage of the samples (0.3%) did exceed the tMRL of 0,35mg/kg during the monitoring period. However, this is an improvement from the 1.3% of samples last year that exceeded the then 0,40mg/kg tMRL.

Statistical analysis shows that 74.3% of the values were below the Limit of Quantification (LOQ). There are still notable differences based on the type of storage, with a larger proportion of high values observed in box storage compared to bulk.



New Restrain/Crop Services partnership in Scotland



[Restrain](#) has announced a partnership with [Crop Services \(Scotland\) Ltd](#) to optimise potato storage solutions in Scotland.

The [press release](#) states that the new partnership will offer sustainable and cost-effective solutions to local farmers, by offering innovative, eco-conscious sprout suppression methods.

Partners

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UKIA Spring Conference

The UK Irrigation Association (UKIA) will be holding its Spring conference on 5 March 2025, titled 'Farmers are taking control to secure farm water'. Further details and programme will follow in the New Year.



FDF Sustainability Networking Breakfast – 12 February

The Food and Drink Federation (FDF) will be hosting a [Sustainability Networking Breakfast](#) at their headquarters in London on 12 February, from 8:30-10:30.

This event, themed 'Embedding and driving sustainability initiatives' is sponsored by ADAS and will provide a platform for discussion of sustainability strategies, and also how FDF's Ambition 2030 can help with progress. It will also feature guest speakers.



FDF State of Industry report Q3 2024

On 12 December, the Food and Drink Federation (FDF) published its [State of Industry Report Q3 2024](#). According to the report, business confidence remained steady -6% in Q3 and uncertainty over upcoming regulation is the leading factor constraining investment, while uncertainty about demand also remains a top concern.

The Binsted Lecture is a unique opportunity to meet and connect with experienced professionals in the food sector. Join us for a collaboration between the Institute of Food Science and Technology (IFST), the Institute of Food Technologists (IFT) and Campden BRI which will focus on the future of food science education.

For more information and to book, click [here](#).



GB Potatoes announces new chair

After two years at the helm of GB Potatoes as Chair, Mark Taylor has decided that it is time to step back from some of his industry work and take life a little easier. At the GB Potatoes on 12 December AGM Alex Godfrey was elected as the new Chair of the Organisation.

PPA committee meeting dates 2025

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PPA Board

2025 dates TBC	TBC	TBC
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Food Law and Consumer [FLC] committee

2025 dates TBC	TBC	TBC
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Primary Production Technical committee [PPTC] committee

2025 dates TBC	TBC	TBC
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PPA circulars issued in December 2024

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Historic PPA circulars from 2022 onwards are also stored online via the ‘SLACK’ system. If you would like access to this system, please inform the secretariat and we will grant you access to the system.

Food Law and Consumer Committee (FLC)

Date	Subject	Circular No.
02-Dec	PPA Monthly Members' News sheet: November 2024	454/24
02-Dec	RASFFs Week 48/2024	455/24
03-Dec	Doodle Poll for 2025 FLC meeting dates	456/24
03-Dec	Secondary legislation on HFSS advertising restrictions published	457/24
03-Dec	EFFA Statement on Traceability in relation to 'use of GMMs for the production of natural flavourings'	458/24
04-Dec	European Court of Auditors special report on food labelling in the EU + EP ENVI Committee and EC reply	459/24
04-Dec	Draft Defra Technical Guidance on BFR	460/24
04-Dec	Defra labelling priorities	461/24
05-Dec	Agenda of next Commission Working Group meeting – 4 December	462/24
05-Dec	Explanatory notes on the EFSA opinion & Joint Statement of the EU MS in the SCOPAFF by the German “Joint Project Group MOH Benchmark Values”	463/24
06-Dec	Provisional agreement on 12-month delay on EU Deforestation Regulation	464/24
06-Dec	Meeting notes from IGD meeting 05/12	465/24
09-Dec	RASFFs Week 49/2024	466/24

11-Dec	FoodDrinkEurope overview on the FOP nutrition labelling schemes and initiatives in the EU Member States	467/24
11-Dec	DRAFT EC Implementing Reg. amending Implementing Reg. (EU) 2019/1793 on the temporary increase of official controls & emergency measures (11th amendment)	468/24
11-Dec	UPDATE DRAFT EC Implementing Reg. amending Implementing Reg. (EU) 2019/1793 on the temporary increase of official controls & emergency measures (11th amendment)	469/24
13-Dec	Draft guidance on the assessment of negligible exposure to an active substance, safener or synergist in a plant protection product under realistic conditions	470/24
13-Dec	Informal summary report of the meeting of Commission Working Group on Additives – 11-12 November	471/24
16-Dec	RASFFs Week 50/2024	472/24
16-Dec	Final draft CIPC residue monitoring report 2023-2024	473/24
17-Dec	FoodDrinkEurope Fall-back option on mandatory country of origin labelling (on hold)	474/24
19-Dec	EC Implementing Reg. (EU) 2024/3153 of 18 December 2024 amending Implementing Reg. (EU) 2019/1793 on the temporary increase of official controls & emergency measures (11th amendment)	475/24
20-Dec	Monthly digest of EU legislation (December 2024)	476/24
20-Dec	POSITION PAPER – EUPPA VIEWS ON NGTs AND THE EU NGT PROPOSAL	477/24
20-Dec	Plant protection products and biocides log – December 2024	478/24
20-Dec	CIPC residue monitoring report 2023-2024	479/24
20-Dec	PPA Monthly Members' News sheet: December 2024	480/24

Primary Production Technical Committee (PPTC)

Date	Subject	Circular No.
02-Dec	PPA Monthly Members' News sheet: November 2024	230/24
10-Dec	Pesticide Residues Monitoring Programme - 2024 Q1 report published	231/24
13-Dec	Draft guidance on the assessment of negligible exposure to an active substance, safener or synergist in a plant protection product under realistic conditions	232/24
16-Dec	Final draft CIPC residue monitoring report 2023-2024	233/24
19-Dec	Updates from Potato Stakeholder meeting, 19 December 2024	234/24
20-Dec	Monthly digest of EU legislation (December 2024)	235/24
20-Dec	POSITION PAPER – EUPPA VIEWS ON NGTs AND THE EU NGT PROPOSAL	236/24
20-Dec	Plant protection products and biocides log – December 2024	237/24
20-Dec	CIPC residue monitoring report 2023-2024	238/24
20-Dec	PPA Monthly Members' News sheet: December 2024	239/24

Upcoming events

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- 9-12 January 2025 [Potato Expo 2025, Orlando, USA](#)
- 16 January 2025 [UK Export Academy webinar: Routes to Market for a Food and Drink Exporter, online](#)
- 29 January 2025 [UK Export Academy webinar: Navigating Export Requirements and Customs Documentations to Saudi, the UAE, and Qatar for Key Sectors, online](#)
- 29 January 2025 [WTA/FDF webinar: Understanding International Logistics to emerging markets, online](#)
- 30 January 2025 [IFST Binsted Lecture: The Future of Food Science Education, London](#)

30 January 2025	UK Export Academy webinar: Market Access (Part 1) Requirements for a UK Food and Drink Exporter, online
2-5 February 2025	Confectionery Trade Show, Cologne, France
4 February 2025	UK Export Academy webinar: Market Access (Part 2) Requirements for a UK Food and Drink Exporter, online
7 February 2025	SACAPP Potato Conference 2025, Dundee, Scotland
12 February 2025	FDF Networking Breakfast, London
17-21 February 2025	Gulfoods Trade Show, Dubai, UAE
4-5 March 2025	PSI 2-day residential Store Manager's Course, TBC
5 March 2025	UKIA Spring Conference: Securing resilient water resources for agriculture, TBC
5-12 May 2025	National Plant Health Week 2025
27 May 2025	EUPPA, ESA and Europatat joint event on the 'International Day of Potato', Brussels, Belgium
27-28 March 2025	Nutrition for Growth (N4G) Summit, Paris
12-14 May 2025	World Retail Congress, London
3-4 September 2025	Potato Europe, Lelystad, The Netherlands
9-5 November 2025	Agritechnica, Hanover, Germany
19-20 November 2025	British Potato 2025, Harrogate, Yorkshire

Industry meetings

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9 January 2025	Potato Stakeholder Group, online
13 January 2025	PPA/Action on Salt meeting, online
14 January 2025	EUPPA preparatory meeting for EFSA 2024 call for data collection, online (TBC)
15 January 2025	Stakeholder Engagement with Defra, FPSA and GB Potatoes
16 January 2025	NI-GB Food Supply Chain Forum, online
16 January 2025	PPA/EUPPA meeting, online
20 January 2025	CIPC Residues Management Group (CRMG), online
21 January 2025	BExG Food Standards & Labelling Claims Sub-Group, online
23 January 2025	FDF Corporate Affairs Group (CAG), hybrid
26 January 2025	Potato Stakeholder Group, online
28 January 2025	BExG Food Standards & Labelling Group, online
29 January 2025	FSA Food Industry Liaison Group meeting, online
30 January 2025	NI-GB Food Supply Chain Forum, online

Documents to note

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Government position/policy papers/guidance and related resources

EU exit

[Check if you need to declare goods you bring into or take out of the UK](#)

[DBT Research and analysis: Retained EU law and assimilated law dashboard](#) (last updated 23 July 2024)

[COLLECTION: Customs, VAT and excise UK transition legislation from 1 January 2021](#) (last updated 8 October 2024)

[DIT/DBT Guidance: UK trade agreements in effect](#) (last updated 22 October 2024)

[COLLECTION: Withdrawal Agreement Joint Committee](#) (last updated 14 November 2024)

[COLLECTION: REUL \(Revocation and Reform\) Act 2023 statutory instruments](#) (last updated 16 October 2024)

Windsor Framework

[Policy paper: Update on 'not for EU' labelling for retail products across Great Britain](#) (first published 30 September 2024)

[Defra Guidance: Labelling requirements for certain products moving from GB to retail premises in NI under NIRMS](#) (last updated 30 September 2024)

[APHA: Move goods under the NI Retail Movement Scheme: General Certificate](#) (last updated 31 May 2024)

[Defra Guidance: Movement Assistance Scheme: get help with moving agrifood goods to NI](#) (last updated 13 September 2024)

[Defra Policy Paper: Financial support to help businesses meet labelling requirements under the Windsor Framework and extension of Movement Assistance Scheme](#) (last updated 4 April 2024)

[NI-GB Trader Support Service](#)

UK Imports

[Defra Guidance: Import food and drink from the EU to GB](#) (last updated 27 August 2024)

[Defra Guidance: Import plants and plant products from the EU to GB](#) (last updated 27 August 2024)

[Defra Guidance: Import plants and plant products from non-EU countries to GB](#) (last updated 12 November 2024)

[Defra Guidance: Import compound products from the EU to GB](#) (last updated 27 August 2024)

[Defra Guidance: Countries GB will accept validated PDF GB health certificates from](#) (last updated 1 May 2024)

[APHA guidance: BTOM risk categorisations \(EU and non-EU plant and plant products\)](#)

[Defra/APHA Guidance: Check risk categories for animal and animal product imported from the EU to GB](#) (last updated 20 November 2024)

[Defra Guidance: BTOM risk categories and inspection rates for animal and animal product imports from non-EU countries to GB: summary tables](#) (last updated 9 August 2024)

[Defra/APHA: Fees for Plant Health Import Inspections in England and Wales 30 April 2024](#)

[Defra guidance: Import high-risk food and feed not of animal origin from the EU to GB](#) (last updated 27 August 2024)

[Defra guidance: Importing and exporting fresh fruit and vegetables](#) (last updated 13 September 2024)

[Defra Collection: Border control posts and charges](#) (first published 12 April 2024)

[Defra Guidance: Sanitary and phytosanitary \(SPS\) checks at border control posts \(BCPs\)](#) (first published 30 April 2024)

[Guidance: Import of products, animals, food and feed system \(IPAFFS\)](#) (last updated 30 April 2024)

[Defra Guidance: IPAFFS: upload commodity details using a CSV file](#) (last updated 14 May 2024)

[APHA Guidance: IPAFFS for Plants Guidance](#)

[APHA IPAFFS FAQs](#) (last updated 11 June 2024)

[APHA IPAFFS – How to locate commodity codes](#)

[HMRC Guidance: Importing SPS controlled goods that interact with ALVS](#) (last updated 23 October 2024)

[HMRC Guidance: HMRC email updates, videos and webinars about importing and exporting](#) (last updated 16 April 2024)

[HMRC Notice: Notices made under the Customs \(Import Duty\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2018](#) (last updated 27 November 2024)

[DBT/HM Treasury/HMRC Guidance: UK Trade Tariff: duty suspensions and autonomous tariff quotas](#) (last updated 30 October 2024)

[Defra: EU and EFTA countries approved to export animals and animal products to GB](#) (last updated 28 November 2024)

[HMRC Guidance: Goods Vehicle Movement Service - service availability and issues](#) (last updated 13 November 2024)

[Defra: Non-EU countries approved to export animals and animal products to GB](#) (last updated 22 October 2024)

[Defra Guidance: Check import risk categories, inspection rates and related rules for animals and animal products imported from non-EU countries to GB](#) (last updated 9 August 2024)

[Defra Guidance: Check plant health information and import rules](#) (last updated 23 October 2024)

[HMRC Guidance: Safety and security requirements on imports and exports](#) (last updated 20 November 2024)

[Defra Guidance: Animals, animal products and HRFNAO imports: authorised border control posts in the UK](#) (last updated 17 December 2024)

Exports

[APHA Find an Export Health Certificate website](#)

[APHA Plant Health Portal](#)

[Defra Guidance: Export or move food, drink and agricultural products](#) (last updated 30 April 2024)

[HMRC Notice: Notices made under the Customs \(Export\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019](#) (last updated 27 November 2024)

[DBT/DIT Guidance: UK trade agreements in effect](#) (last updated 22 October 2024)

[HMRC Guidance: Search the register of customs agents and express operators](#) (last updated 26 November 2024)

[Defra Guidance: Businesses approved to export to the EU](#) (last updated 29 November 2024)

[HMRC Guidance: Safety and security requirements on imports and exports](#) (last updated 20 November 2024)

Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) and Plastic Packaging Tax (PPT)

[Defra Guidance: Packaging data: what to collect for extended producer responsibility](#) (last updated 17 October 2024)

[Defra Guidance: Extended producer responsibility for packaging: generate a packaging data file](#) (last updated 8 August 2024)

[Defra/EA Guidance: Packaging data: how to create your file for extended producer responsibility](#) (last updated 15 August 2024)

[Defra Guidance: Organisation details: how to create your file for extended producer responsibility \(EPR\) for packaging](#) (last updated 15 August 2024)

[Defra/EA Guidance: Extended Producer Responsibility: who is affected and what to do](#) (last updated 17 October 2024)

[Defra Guidance: Extended Producer Responsibility for packaging: how to assess household and non-household packaging](#) (last updated 8 November 2024)

[Defra Guidance: Find large producers on the 'report packaging data' service](#) (first published 11 October 2024)

[Defra Research and analysis: Extended producer responsibility for packaging: illustrative base fees](#) (last updated 30 September 2024)

[HMRC Policy Paper: Annex A: rates and allowances](#) (last updated 11 October 2024)

[Defra Guidance: Simpler recycling: workplace recycling in England](#) (first published 29 November 2024)

Other

[Food Data Transparency Partnership](#)

[Defra Collection: Protected geographical food and drink names: applications, objections and decisions](#) (last updated 9 August 2024)

[AHDB Horticulture and Potatoes Archive website](#)

[Defra Collection: Fertiliser usage](#) (last updated 18 July 2024)

[Environmental management: Water: detailed information](#)

[EA Licence: Abstract water \(England\)](#)

[EA Licence: Impound water \(England\)](#)

[Defra Guidance: SFI Handbook for the SFI 2023 offer](#) (last updated 1 November 2024)

[Defra/RPA/FC Guidance: Funding for farmers, growers and land managers](#) (last updated 18 November 2024)

[Defra/RA Guidance Delinked payments: replacing the Basic Payment Scheme](#) (last updated 20 November 2024)

[Defra Guidance: Basic Payment Scheme](#) (last updated 11 April 2024)

[Defra Collection: Sustainable Farming Incentive: guidance for applicants and agreement holders](#) (last updated 19 June 2024)

[EA Research and analysis. Water situation: area monthly reports for England 2024](#) (last updated 13 November 2024)

[EA Research and analysis: Rainfall and river flow: weekly reports for England](#) (last updated 28 November 2024)

[BESNZ/DBT Collection: Net Zero Innovation Portfolio](#) (last updated 24 April 2024)

[DfE Guidance: School food standards: resources for schools](#) (last updated 19 September 2024)

[DBT Guidance: UK Sustainability Reporting Standards](#) (last updated 25 November 2024)

[Defra Statistical data set: Family food datasets](#) (last updated 17 October 2024)

[Defra Guidance: Integrated Pest Management \(IPM\) in farming](#) (first published 18 November 2024).

Current consultations

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EA consultation: [‘Drought: how it is managed in England’](#) (closes 10 January 2025).

EC targeted consultation: Draft guidance on ‘the assessment of negligible exposure to an active substance, safener or synergist in a plant protection product under realistic conditions of use’ (closes 17 January 2025).

CMA: [Consultation on Unfair Commercial Practices guidance](#) (closes 22 January 2025).

FSA: [Consultation on Market Authorisation of 10 Regulated Food and Feed Products December 2024](#) (closes on 19 February 2025)

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