

ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

A	
ACAF	Advisory Committee on Animal Feedingstuffs
ACBS	Advisory Committee on Borderline Substances
ACCS	Assured Combinable Crops Standard
ACMSF	Advisory Committee on Microbiological Safety of Food
ACNFP	Advisory Committee on Novel Foods and Processes
ACR	Advisory Committee on Research
ACW	Advisory Committee for Wales
ADAS	Agricultural Development & Advisory Service
ADI	Acceptable Daily Intakes
AFS	Assured Food Standards
AGM	Annual General Meeting
AHA	Animal Health Agency
AIMS	Association of Independent Meat Suppliers
AOB	Any Other Business
APA	Association of Public Analysts
APHA	Association of Port Health Authorities
AFS	Assured Food Standards
APS	Assured Produce Scheme
ASA	Advertising Standards Authority
ASBOF	Advertising Standards Board of Finance
B	
BAS	Beef Assurance Scheme
BBSRC	Biotechnology & Biological Sciences Research Council
BERR	Department for Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform
BHA	British Hospitality Association
BMPA	British Meat Processors Association
BMA	British Medical Association
BNF	British Nutrition Foundation
BRAG	Better Regulation Advisory Group
BRE	Better Regulation Executive
BSE	Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy
C	
CAP	Committee of Advertising Practice
CCDHG	Consumer Choice and Dietary Health Group (FSA)
CCFL	Codex Committee on Food Labelling
CEFAS	Centre for the Environment, Fisheries and Aquatic Science
CIAA	Confédération des Industries Agro-Alimentaires de l'Union européenne (Confederation of Food & Drink Industries of the EU)
CIEH	Chartered Institute of Environmental Health
CMO	Chief Medical Officer
COC	Committee on the Carcinogenicity of Chemicals in Food, Consumer Products & the Environment
COI	Central Office of Information

COM	Committee on the Mutagenicity of Chemicals in Food, Consumer Products & the Environment
COMA	Committee on the Medical Aspects of Food Policy
COMS	Communications Division (FSA)
COT	Committee on the Toxicity of Chemicals in Food, Consumer Products & the Environment
CP	Corporate Plan
CPA	Crop Protection Association
CSA	Chief Scientific Advisor
CSL	Central Science Laboratory
CSM	Committee on Safety of Medicines
CVO	Chief Veterinary Officer
D	
DARD (NI)	Department for Agriculture & Rural Development (NI)
DCA	Diploma in Consumer Affairs
DCMS	Department of Culture, Media and Sport
Defra	Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
DG SANCO	Directorate General for Health & Consumer Protection (European Division)
DFID	Department for International Development
DH (DoH)	Department of Health
DHI	Dairy Hygiene Inspectorate
DHSSPS (NI)	Department of Health, Social Services & Public Safety (NI)
DNA	Deoxyribonucleic Acid
DPPW	Directors of Public Protection in Wales
DSP	Dietary Survey Programme
DWI	Drinking Water Inspectorate
E	
EA	Environment Agency
EC	European Commission
EEC	European Economic Community
EFRA	Environment Food & Rural Affairs
EFSA	European Food Safety Authority
EFS	Expenditure and Food Survey
EHO	Environmental Health Officer
ELG	Enforcement Liaison Group
EMS	Environmental Management Systems
EP	European Parliament
EPIC	European Prospective Investigation into Cancer and Nutrition
ERA-NET	European Research Area Network
ESRC	Economic & Social Research Council
EU	European Union
EVM	Expert Group on Vitamins and Minerals
F	
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations
FBO	Food Business Operator
FDF	Food and Drink Federation
FDA	Food and Drug Administration

FEPA	Food & Environment Protection Act
FFTF	Food Fraud Task Force
FHW	Food Hazard Warning
FMD	Foot & Mouth Disease
FNAO	Foods of Non-Animal Origin
FSA	Food Standards Agency
FSANI	Food Standards Agency, Northern Ireland
FSAI	Food Safety Authority Ireland
FSANZ	Food Safety Australia New Zealand
FSAS	Food Standards Agency, Scotland
FSEAG	Food Safety Education Advisory Group
FSPB	Food Safety Promotion Board (Northern Ireland)
FVO	Food & Veterinary Office of the European Union
G	
GACS	General Advisory Committee on Science
GM	Genetic Modification
GMO	Genetically Modified Organism
GP	General Practitioner
GPA	Government Partnership Award
H	
HACCP	Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point
HAS	Hygiene Assessment System
HEA	Health Education Authority
HET	Health Education Trust
HMRC	Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs
HPA	Health Protection Agency
HRD	Human Resources Division (FSA)
HSC	Health & Safety Commission
HSE	Health & Safety Executive
I	
IAH	Institute for Animal Health
ICM	Integrated Crop Management
IFM	Integrated Farm Management
liP	Investors In People
IPA	Integrated Policy Appraisal
IPM	Integrated Pest Management
IT	Information Technology
J	
JECFA	Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives
JHCI	Joint Health Claims Initiative
JIFSAN	Joint Institute for Food Safety and Nutrition
L	
LA	Local Authority
LABERG	Local Authority Better Regulation Group
LACA	Local Authority Caterers' Association
LACORS	Local Authorities Co-ordinators of Regulatory Services (previously LACOTS)
LAELG	Local Authority Enforcement Liaison Group

LGA	Local Government Association
LGC	Laboratory of the Government Chemist
LI/NDNS	Low Income/National Diet and Nutrition Survey
LS	Legal Services (FSA)
LV	Lead Veterinarians
M	
MA	Magistrates' Association
MBM	Meat and Bone Meal
MCPD	MonoChloropropanols
MHI	Meat Hygiene Inspector
MHPF	Meat Hygiene Policy Forum
MHRA	Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency
MHS	Meat Hygiene Service
MHVD	Meat Hygiene and Veterinary Division (FSA)
MLC	Meat & Livestock Commission
MPA	Meat Processors Association
MRC	Medical Research Council
MRL	Maximum Residue Levels
MRM	Mechanically Recovered Meat
MS	Member States
N	
NAO	National Audit Office
NAW	National Assembly for Wales
NAWAD	National Assembly for Wales Agriculture Department
NCC	National Consumer Council
ND	Nutrition Division (FSA)
NDFAS	National Dairy Farm Assurance Scheme
NDNS	National Diet & Nutrition Survey (UK)
NDPB	Non-Departmental Public Bodies
NFFF	National Federation of Fish Fryers
NFS	National Food Survey (UK)
NFU	National Farmers' Union
NFWI	National Federation of Women's Institute
NGO	Non Government Organisation
NHS	National Health Service
NICE	National Institute for Clinical Excellence
NIFAC	Northern Ireland Food Advisory Committee
NIMEA	Northern Ireland Meat Exporters Association
NISP	Northern Ireland Scrapie Plan
NPRI	National Prevention Research Initiative
NOS	National Occupational Standards
NSP	National Scrapie Plan
NSTS	National Sprayer Testing Scheme
NTD	Neural Tube Defect
O	
OCD	Official Control of Foodstuffs Directive
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation & Development
Ofcom	Office of Communications

OFFC	Official Feed and Food Controls
OFSTED	Office for Standards in Education
OFT	Office of Fair Trading
OGD	Other Government Department
ONS	Office of National Statistics
OTM	Over Thirty Month (rule)
OVS	Official Veterinary Surgeons
P	
PAF	Policy Assessment Framework
PCB	Polychlorinated Biphenols
PDSB	Public Debate Steering Board
PGSS	Post Graduate Scholarship Scheme
PHA	Public Health Authority
PHLS	Public Health Laboratory Service
PIA	Poultry Inspection Assistant
POAO	Products of Animal Origin
PPN	Pesticides Policy Network
PPP	Plant Protection Products
PRC	Pesticide Residues Committee
PSD	Pesticides Safety Directorate
Q	
QCA	Qualifications and Curriculum Authority
QMS	Quality Meat Scotland
R	
R&D	Research & Development
RASFF	Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed
RDA	Research Development Agency
RDI	Recommended Daily Intake
REHIS	Royal Environmental Health Institute of Scotland
RIA	Regulatory Impact Assessment
RIPHH	Royal Institute of Public Health and Hygiene
Rol	Republic of Ireland
RRAC	Risk and Regulatory Advisory Council
S	
SACN	Scientific Advisory Committee on Nutrition
SCAN	Scientific Committee on Animal Nutrition
SAMW	Scottish Association of Meat Wholesalers
SCC	Scottish Consumer Council
SCDP	Scottish Community Diet Project
SCF	EC Scientific Committee for Food
SCIEF	Scottish Centre for Infection & Environmental Health
SDA	Service Delivery Agreement
SDAP	Scottish Diet Action Plan
SEAC	Spongiform Encephalopathy Advisory Committee
SEHD	Scottish Executive Health Department
SEERAD	Scottish Executive Environment and Rural Affairs Department
SFAC	Scottish Food Advisory Committee
SFELC	Scottish Food Enforcement Liaison Committee

SLA	Service Level Agreement
SME	Small and Medium Sized Enterprises
SP	Strategic Plan
SRM	Specified Risk Material
SSC	Scientific Steering Committee (EU)
SSRC	Social Science Research Committee
SVC	Standing Veterinary Committee
SVS	State Veterinary Service
T	
TDI	Tolerable Daily Intake
TMHS	Transformed Meat Hygiene Service
TSE	Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathy
TSI	Trading Standards Institute
TSO	Trading Standards Officer
U	
UKAS	United Kingdom Accreditation Service
V	
vCJD	variant Creutzfeldt–Jakob Disease
VLA	Veterinary Laboratories Agency
VMD	Veterinary Medicines Directorate (FSA)
VMHA	Veterinary Meat Hygiene Advisor
VPC	Veterinary Products Committee
VPHU	Veterinary Public Health Unit
VRC	Veterinary Residues Committee
W	
WCC	Welsh Consumer Council
WFAC	Welsh Food Advisory Committee
WHO	World Health Organisation
WPCC	Working Party on Chemical Contaminants in Food
WTO	World Trade Organisation