

Regulatory Audit

Part of our job is to evaluate the effectiveness of the official controls system in England, Wales and NI. To do this we plan and carry out audit programmes in each country.

The official controls audited cover a diverse range of activities from primary production on farms, eggs, dairy, slaughterhouses, cutting plants, animal feed, shellfish and fishery products, through to the retail sector such as supermarkets, butchers, restaurants.

The official controls system is operated by food and feed enforcement officers from competent authorities including, local authority, port health authority, the FSA itself, either directly or through contracts or service level agreements with other organisations such as the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA) in Northern Ireland.

Shared Focused Audits

Focused audits look at specific aspects of local authority enforcement work.

[Local Authority Recovery Plan Assurance Assessment: Summary Report \(England, Wales and Northern Ireland\) February 2023](#)