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To: Lead Food Officers

cc: SFELC, REHIS

## The Genetically Modified Food and Feed (Authorisations) (Scotland) Regulations 2022 have come into force

Dear Colleague,

Local authorities (LAs) will wish to be aware that <u>The Genetically Modified Food and</u> <u>Feed (Authorisations) (Scotland) Regulations 2022</u> came into force on 31 May 2022.

The Regulations allow nine genetically modified organisms (GMOs) (five new and four renewal authorisations) for food and feed uses to be placed and available on the market in Scotland. Details of the products can be found in Annex 1. Separate legislation has also come into force in England and Wales on 20 May 2022. The GMOs are already authorised for use in the European Union (EU). Due to the Northern Ireland Protocol (NIP), EU legislation continues to apply in Northern Ireland.

The Regulations provide the terms of authorisation under which the nine GMOs may be used in Scotland. The terms of authorisation in Scotland are the same as those in England and Wales, and substantively the same as those under which the GMOs may be marketed in the EU and NI. The Regulations across GB do not allow for cultivation of the GMOs in Scotland, England, or Wales.

The GMO authorisations can be expected to be updated into the <u>GM register</u> from this date.

If there are any queries regarding this letter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours Sincerely,

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## Annex 1 – Named Genetically Modified Organisms

Product	Authorisation Type
MIR604 maize	Renewal
MZIR098 maize	New
MON 87427 x MON 89034 x MIR162 x NK603 maize and its sub-combinations	New
MON 87427 x MON 89034 x MIR162 x MON 87411 maize and its sub-combinations	New
MON 87751 x MON 87701 x MON 87708 x MON 89788 soybean	New
Bt11 maize	Renewal
MON 87427 x MON 87460 x MON 89034 x MIR162 x NK603 and its sub-combinations	New
MON 88017 maize	Renewal
MON 89034 maize	Renewal