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European Commission - Press release

Brexit: European Commission receives mandate to begin negotiations with the United Kingdom on transitional arrangements

Brussels, 29 January 2018

The European Commission welcomes today's decision by the General Affairs Council (Article 50) to allow negotiations to begin on possible transitional arrangements following the United Kingdom's orderly withdrawal from the European Union.

These [negotiating directives](#) – which supplement the [negotiating directives from May 2017](#) and were based on the [Commission's Recommendation of 20 December 2017](#) – set out additional details on possible transitional arrangements. These include, in particular, the following:

- There will be **no "cherry picking"**: The United Kingdom will continue to participate in the Customs Union and the Single Market (with all four freedoms). The Union acquis will continue to apply in full to and in the United Kingdom as if it were a Member State. As a result, the United Kingdom should remain bound by the obligations stemming from agreements with third countries. Any changes made to the acquis during this time should automatically apply to the United Kingdom.
- **All existing Union regulatory, budgetary, supervisory, judiciary and enforcement instruments and structures will apply**, including the competence of the Court of Justice of the European Union.
- The United Kingdom will be a third country as of 30 March 2019. It will, therefore, **no longer be represented in Union institutions, agencies, bodies and offices**.
- The **transition period** needs to be clearly defined and precisely limited in time. It should not last beyond 31 December 2020. Consequently, the provisions on citizens' rights in the Withdrawal Agreement should apply as of the end of the transition period.



The Organic Products Regulations 2009

- Council Regulation (834/2007 on organic production and labelling
- The new organic regulation – in force 1 January 2021
- UK GOVT PRINCIPLES (1) avoid cliff edge (2) adjust once (customs)



The Organic Products Regulations 2009

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2009 No. 842

AGRICULTURE

The Organic Products Regulations 2009

Made

Laid before Parliament

Coming into force

31st March 2009

3rd April 2009

27th April 2009

The Products Containing Meat etc. (England) Regulations 2014

4. Legislative Context

4.1 The PMR 2014 will revoke and replace the MPR 2003. They will also revoke the Regulations and provisions of the other pieces of legislation that amended the MPR 2003. Some of the provisions contained in the MPR 2003 are now EU provisions contained in EU FIC and, in order to comply with EU law, will not be carried forward in the PMR 2014; other provisions in the MPR 2003 will be carried forward into the PMR 2014. In accordance with the Government's sunset policy, the PMR 2014 will cease to have effect on 13th December 2021 unless a further Statutory Instrument is made to continue them.



Some things don't change...

- Data protection (*GDPR – Data Protection Bill*)
- **Health and Safety at Work** (*HASWA 1974, sentencing guidelines*)
- **Animal sentience** (*Animal Welfare (Sentencing and Recognition of Sentience) Bill*)
- Employee holidays (*Working Time Regulations 1998*)



What do FBOs do to prepare?



Thank you for listening!

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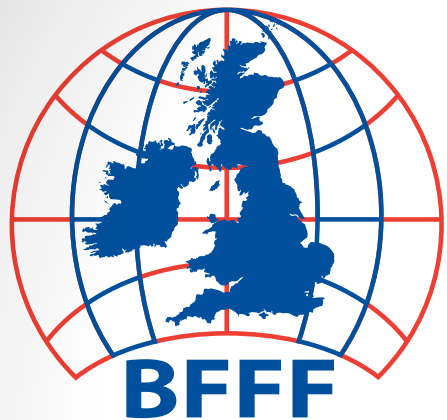
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