

Consultation on the proposal to implement a ban on the use of bisphenol A (BPA) other bisphenols and bisphenol derivatives in food contact materials

Status: Open

Date launched: 2 October 2025

Closing date: 24 December 2025

This consultation will be of most interest to:

- Food businesses
- Food and packaging manufacturers
- Retailers and distributors
- Importers and exporters
- Consumer safety and health advocacy groups
- Scientific and academic experts
- General public
- Local and port health authorities
- District councils

Purpose of consultation

The purpose of this consultation is to support the implementation of a ban on bisphenol A (BPA), other bisphenols and derivatives in food contact materials. This consultation is not intended to revisit the scientific consensus on BPA's risks, but to gather any robust evidence that may justify an alternative approach for BPA and its analogues. The consultation will also help identify any practical considerations for implementation, including transition periods and potential exemptions while setting a high evidentiary threshold for any objections.

Consultation Pack

This consultation pack provides the background information and details you will need to know to respond to the questions in this consultation.

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PDF

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WORD

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How to Respond

Responses to this consultation should be submitted via this [online form](#).

If this is not possible, you can email a response to: FCM-BPA@food.gov.uk

Responses are required by close 24 December 2025 at 17:00. Please state, in your response, whether you are responding as a private individual or on behalf of an organisation/company (including any details of any stakeholders your organisation represents).

Publication of response summary

Within three months of a consultation ending we aim to publish a summary of responses received and provide a link to it from this page.

You can find information on how we handle data provided in response to consultations in our [Consultations privacy notice](#).

Further information

This consultation has been prepared in accordance with [HM Government Consultation Principles](#). If an Impact Assessment has been produced, this is included in the consultation documents. If no Impact Assessment has been provided, the reason will be given in the consultation document.