

Summary of stakeholder responses: The draft Feed and Food (Miscellaneous Amendments and Revocations) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2025

The consultation sought views on the impact of draft amendments to six pieces of legislation, and the revocation of three Statutory Rules (SRs) which are no longer required.

Introduction

This consultation was issued on 23 September 2025 and closed on 4 November 2025.

The consultation sought views on the impact of draft amendments to six pieces of legislation. The amendments are necessary to ensure that the affected legislation is clear and up to date and, to ensure existing food and feed safety and standards requirements are enforceable in Northern Ireland. We are also proposing to revoke three Statutory Rules (SRs) which are no longer required. The proposed legislative changes are technical in nature.

Summary of stakeholder responses

To ensure broad receipt of the consultation, as well as publishing it on the FSA website, we sent it directly to interested parties and District Councils.

We received no responses from stakeholders to this consultation.

The consultation sought views on proposed legislation to amend the following existing Statutory Rules:

1. The Addition of Vitamins, Minerals and Other Substances Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007 (S.R. 2007 No. 301) – to extend the existing enforcement provisions outlined in the 2007 Regulations so that failure to comply with Article 8(2) in relation to substances listed in parts A and B of Annex III of Regulation (EC) No. 1925/2006 constitutes an offence.
2. The Food Safety (Information and Compositional Requirements) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016 (S.R. 2016 No. 251) - to provide for the enforcement of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/1798 relating to the specific compositional and information requirements for total diet replacement for weight control (TDR) products and provide clarity on the enforcement of specified EU provisions relating to infant and follow-on formula, Foods for Special Medical Purposes, TDR products and processed cereal-based foods.
3. The Food Hygiene Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006 (S.R. 2006 No. 3) - to revoke provisions which are no longer necessary, in relation to requirements placed on Northern Ireland food businesses regarding the form and application of health and identification marks for products of animal origin.

4. The Specified Sugar Products Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2003 (S.R. 2003 No. 301) - to correct a typographical error in Schedule 1.
5. The Animal Feed (Composition, Marketing and Use) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016 (S.R. 2016 No. 4) - to correct a typographical error in regulation 19.
6. The Caseins and Caseinates Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2016 (S.R. 2016 No. 415) - to correct a typographical error in Schedule 3.

The proposed legislation would revoke the following SRs:

1. The Foods Intended for Use in Energy Restricted Diets for Weight Reduction Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1997 (S.R. 1997 No. 2182) – are no longer required as they implement EU Regulations which are no longer in force.
2. The Food for Particular Nutritional Uses (Addition of Substances for Specific Nutritional Purposes) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2009 (S.R. 2009 No. 398) – are no longer required as they implement EU Regulations which are no longer in force.
3. The Salad Cream Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1966 (S.R. 1966 No. 192) – are no longer considered necessary as food information provisions ensure consumers can continue to make informed choices and to allow for technological advances allowing for example for reduced fat versions of products.

Next Steps

The FSA now intends to move ahead with seeking to implement the legislation as proposed.