UK Food Hygiene Rating data API

UK Food Hygiene Rating data is available via an application programming interface (API) in XML and JSON formats. This is a free service and there is no need to register to use it. Terms and conditions apply, and guidance for developers is available.

About the data

The data provides the food hygiene rating or inspection result given to a business and reflect the standards of food hygiene found on the date of inspection or visit by the local authority. Businesses include restaurants, pubs, cafés, takeaways, hotels and other places consumers eat, as well as supermarkets and other food shops.

The data are held on behalf of local authorities participating in either the Food Standards Agency's:

- national Food Hygiene Rating Scheme (FHRS) in England, Northern Ireland and Wales, or
- the Food Hygiene Information Scheme (FHIS) in Scotland

Data are only available for local authority areas running either of these schemes.

Get the data

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API guidance for developers

The API allows developers access to the underlying food hygiene rating data. Developers can query XML files to return the geocoded data (longitude and latitude data are provided for food businesses). The XML data are updated daily and can be found below, grouped by local authority. Wales's local authority data can be output in English or Welsh.

The API can also be used to query the live system (the data are automatically updated as local authorities upload and publish data) and return data in XML and JSON formats.

Examples of how to use the API and information about the API can be found in the guidance document for developers:

England, Northern Ireland and Wales

PDF
View FHRS API V1 guidance for developers as PDF(Open in a new window) (537.23 KB)

API V2 guidance for developers

Images

A set of hygiene rating images is available to be used with the API data. The images must only be used in accordance with the FHRS/FHIS Brand Standard and the terms and conditions

Examples of hygiene rating images, and the sizes available, that can be used with the API data.

Terms and conditions

Read the terms and conditions of using the data and images.