

# Coronavirus Act 2020

# **2020 CHAPTER 7**

#### PART 1

#### MAIN PROVISIONS

# Food supply

# Meaning of "food supply chain" and related expressions

- (1) This section has effect for the purposes of sections 25 to 28.
- (2) A "food supply chain" is a supply chain for providing individuals with items of food or drink for personal consumption, where the items consist of or include, or have been produced to any extent using—
  - (a) anything grown or otherwise produced in carrying on agriculture, or
  - (b) anything taken, grown or otherwise produced in carrying on fishing or aquaculture.
- (3) The persons "in" a food supply chain are—
  - (a) the persons carrying on the agriculture, fishing or aquaculture ("producers"), and
  - (b) any persons in the supply chain between the producers and the individuals referred to in subsection (2) ("intermediaries").
- (4) The persons "closely connected" with a food supply chain are—
  - (a) persons supplying seeds, stock, equipment, feed, fertiliser, pesticides or similar items to producers for use in agriculture, fishing or aquaculture,
  - (b) persons providing goods or services to producers or intermediaries, where the goods or services relate to—
    - (i) the safety or quality of food or drink, or
    - (ii) the welfare of animals, and
  - (c) bodies representing persons in or closely connected with a food supply chain by virtue of the preceding provisions of this section.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

# (5) In this section—

"agriculture" includes any growing of plants, and any keeping of animals, for the production of food or drink;

"aquaculture" means the breeding, rearing, growing or cultivation of—

- (a) any fish or other aquatic animal,
- (b) seaweed or any other aquatic plant, or
- (c) any other aquatic organism;

"plants" includes fungi;

"seeds" includes bulbs and other things from which plants grow.