

Regulation (EC) No 1946/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council
of 15 July 2003 on transboundary movements of genetically modified organisms

CHAPTER IV

COMMON PROVISIONS

Article 15

Participation in the international information procedure

1 The Member States shall, without prejudice to the protection of confidential information in accordance with the provisions of the Protocol, inform the BCH and the Commission of:

- a national legislation and guidelines relevant to the implementation of the Protocol, in accordance with Article 11(5) and Article 20(3)(a) of the Protocol;
- b national contact points for notification of unintentional transboundary movements, in accordance with Article 17 of the Protocol;
- c any bilateral, regional and multilateral agreement and arrangements entered into by the Member State regarding intentional transboundary movements of GMOs, in accordance with Article 20(3)(b) of the Protocol;
- d any information concerning cases of unintentional or illegal transboundary movements pertaining to them, in accordance with Articles 17 and 25 of the Protocol;
- e any final decision taken by a Member State, on the use of GMOs within that Member State, including decisions:
 - on contained use classified in risk class 3 or 4 of GMOs which are likely to be subject to transboundary movements,
 - on the deliberate release of GMOs in accordance with part B of Directive 2001/18/EC,
 - or
 - on import into the Community of GMOs,in accordance with Article 11 and Article 20(3)(d) of the Protocol, within 15 days of the adoption of that decision;
- f any summary of risk assessments or environmental reviews of GMOs generated by the Community's regulatory process and carried out in accordance with Article 15 of the Protocol, including, where appropriate, relevant information regarding products thereof, namely, processed materials that are of GMO origin, containing detectable novel combinations of replicable genetic material obtained through the use of modern biotechnology, in accordance with Article 20(3)(c) of the Protocol;
- g any review of national decisions regarding an intentional transboundary movement, in accordance with Article 12 of the Protocol;
- h any decision taken by a Member State on safeguard measures under Article 23 of Directive 2001/18/EC or emergency measures taken by a Member State under Community legislation on genetically modified food and feed.

2 The Commission shall in accordance with the provisions of the Protocol inform, on behalf of the Community, the BCH of:

- a Community legislation and guidelines relevant for the implementation of the Protocol, in accordance with Article 11(5) and Article 20(3)(a) of the Protocol;

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- b any bilateral, regional and multilateral agreement and arrangements at Community level regarding intentional transboundary movements of GMOs, in accordance with Article 20(3)(b) of the Protocol;
- c any final decision taken at Community level regarding the use of a GMO within the Community, including decisions on the placing on the market or the importation of a GMO, in accordance with Article 11 and Article 20(3)(d) of the Protocol;
- d any summary of risk assessments or environmental review of GMOs generated by the Community regulatory process and carried out in accordance with procedures similar to those laid down in Annex II to Directive 2001/18/EC, including, where appropriate, relevant information regarding products thereof, namely, processed materials that are of GMO origin, containing detectable novel combinations of replicable genetic material obtained through the use of modern biotechnology, in accordance with Article 20(3)(c) of the Protocol;
- e any review of decisions at Community level regarding an intentional transboundary movement, in accordance with Article 12 of the Protocol;
- f any application of Community legislation instead of the procedures of the Protocol for intentional movements of GMOs within the Community and imports of GMOs into the Community in accordance with Article 14(3) and (4) of the Protocol;
- g reports submitted pursuant to Article 19 of this Regulation, including those on implementation of the advanced informed agreement procedure, in accordance with Article 20(3)(e) of the Protocol.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- Regulation words omitted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(15\)](#)
- Art. 15(1) words substituted in earlier amending provision [S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5\(10\)\(a\)\(i\)\(aa\)](#) by [S.I. 2020/1421 Sch. para. 3\(8\)\(a\)](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole legislation item and associated provisions

- Annex 1(c) words substituted in earlier amending provision [S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5\(16\)\(a\)](#) by [S.I. 2020/1421 Sch. para. 3\(12\)\(a\)](#)
- Annex 1(m) words substituted in earlier amending provision [S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5\(16\)\(b\)](#) by [S.I. 2020/1421 Sch. para. 3\(12\)\(b\)](#)
- Annex 3(b) words substituted in earlier amending provision [S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5\(17\)](#) by [S.I. 2020/1421 Sch. para. 3\(13\)](#)
- Art. 1 word omitted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 1 words omitted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 1 words omitted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(2\)\(c\)](#)
- Annex 1(c) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(16\)\(a\)](#)
- Annex 1(m) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(16\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- Annex 1(m) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(16\)\(b\)\(i\)](#)
- Annex 3(b) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(17\)](#)
- Art. 3(10)(a) substituted by [S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5\(3\)\(a\)](#) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2019/759 reg. 12\(2\)](#)
- Art. 3(10)(a) substituted in earlier amending provision [S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5\(3\)\(a\)](#) by [S.I. 2020/1421 Sch. para. 3\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 3(10)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(3\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). [Reg. 5\(3\)\(a\)](#) substituted immediately before IP completion day by [S.I. 2019/759, regs. 1\(a\), 12\(2\)](#))
- Art. 3(11) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 3(11) words substituted in earlier amending provision [S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5\(3\)\(b\)](#) by [S.I. 2020/1421 Sch. para. 3\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 3(12) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- Art. 3(12) words substituted in earlier amending provision [S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5\(3\)\(c\)](#) by [S.I. 2020/1421 Sch. para. 3\(2\)\(c\)](#)
- Art. 3(14) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(3\)\(d\)](#)
- Art. 3(15) substituted by [S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5\(3\)\(da\)](#) (as inserted) by [S.I. 2020/1421 Sch. para. 3\(2\)\(d\)](#)
- Art. 3(19) substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(3\)\(e\)](#)
- Art. 3(19) words inserted in earlier amending provision [S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5\(3\)\(e\)](#) by [S.I. 2020/1421 Sch. para. 3\(2\)\(e\)](#)
- Art. 3(19A) inserted by [S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5\(3\)\(ea\)](#) (as inserted) by [S.I. 2020/1421 Sch. para. 3\(2\)\(f\)](#)
- Art. 3(20) substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(3\)\(f\)](#)
- Art. 3(20) words inserted in earlier amending provision [S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5\(3\)\(f\)](#) by [S.I. 2020/1421 Sch. para. 3\(2\)\(g\)](#)
- Art. 3(20A) inserted by [S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5\(3\)\(fa\)](#) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2020/1421 Sch. para. 3\(2\)\(g\)](#)
- Art. 3(22)(23) inserted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(3\)\(g\)](#)
- Art. 3(22) words substituted in earlier amending provision [S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5\(3\)\(g\)](#) by [S.I. 2020/1421 Sch. para. 3\(2\)\(h\)\(i\)](#)

- Art. 3(23) word inserted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5(3)(g) by [S.I. 2020/1421 Sch. para. 3\(2\)\(h\)\(ii\)\(aa\)](#)
- Art. 3(23) words substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5(3)(g) by [S.I. 2020/1421 Sch. para. 3\(2\)\(h\)\(ii\)\(bb\)](#)
- Art. 3(24) inserted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5(3)(g) by [S.I. 2020/1421 Sch. para. 3\(2\)\(h\)\(iii\)](#)
- Art. 5(2) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(4\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 5(5) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 6 heading words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(5\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 6 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(5\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 6 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(5\)\(c\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 6 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(5\)\(c\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 9(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(6\)\(a\)\(i\)\(aa\)](#)
- Art. 9(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(6\)\(a\)\(i\)\(bb\)](#)
- Art. 9(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(6\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 9(3) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(6\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 9(4) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(6\)\(c\)](#)
- Art. 10(3) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(7\)](#)
- Art. 12(2) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(8\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 12(5) word omitted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(8\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 14(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(9\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 14(2) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(9\)\(b\)\(i\)\(aa\)](#)
- Art. 14(2) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(9\)\(b\)\(i\)\(bb\)](#)
- Art. 14(2)(a) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(9\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 15(1) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(10\)\(a\)\(i\)\(bb\)](#)
- Art. 15(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(10\)\(a\)\(i\)\(aa\)](#)
- Art. 15(1)(c) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(10\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 15(1)(e) substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(10\)\(a\)\(iii\)](#)
- Art. 15(1)(e) words omitted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5(10)(a)(iii) by [S.I. 2020/1421 Sch. para. 3\(8\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 15(1)(e) words substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5(10)(a)(iii) by [S.I. 2020/1421 Sch. para. 3\(8\)\(b\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 15(1)(f) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(10\)\(a\)\(iv\)](#)
- Art. 15(1)(f) words substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5(10)(a)(iv) by [S.I. 2020/1421 Sch. para. 3\(8\)\(c\)](#)
- Art. 15(1)(h) substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(10\)\(a\)\(v\)](#)
- Art. 15(1)(h) words omitted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5(10)(a)(v) by [S.I. 2020/1421 Sch. para. 3\(8\)\(d\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 15(1)(i) words substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/90, reg. 5(10)(a)(v) by [S.I. 2020/1421 Sch. para. 3\(8\)\(d\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 15(2) omitted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(10\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 16(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(11\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 16(4) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(11\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 17 heading word substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(12\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 17(1) omitted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(12\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 17(2) omitted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(12\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 17(3) substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(12\)\(c\)](#)
- Art. 18 omitted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(13\)](#)
- Art. 19(1) omitted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(14\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 19(2) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(14\)\(b\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 19(2) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/90 reg. 5\(14\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)