

# Food Safety Act 1990

# **1990 CHAPTER 16**

#### PART II

# MAIN PROVISIONS

# Regulations

### 19 Registration and licensing of food premises

- (1) The Ministers may by regulations make provision—
  - (a) for the registration by enforcement authorities of premises used or proposed to be used for the purposes of a food business, and for prohibiting the use for those purposes of any premises which are not registered in accordance with the regulations; or
  - (b) subject to subsection (2) below, for the issue by such authorities of licences in respect of the use of premises for the purposes of a food business, and for prohibiting the use for those purposes of any premises except in accordance with a licence issued under the regulations.
- (2) The Ministers shall exercise the power conferred by subsection (1)(b) above only where it appears to them to be necessary or expedient to do so—
  - (a) for the purpose of securing that food complies with food safety requirements or in the interests of the public health; or
  - (b) for the purpose of protecting or promoting the interests of consumers.