



Genetic Technology (Precision Breeding) Act 2023

2023 CHAPTER 6

PART 2

PRECISION BRED ORGANISMS: RELEASE, MARKETING AND RISK ASSESSMENTS

Release

3 Restrictions on release of precision bred organism in England

- (1) A person who has a precision bred organism under their control must not release the organism in England unless—
 - (a) the following apply—
 - (i) the notification requirements are satisfied in relation to the release (see section 4),
 - (ii) the person is a person specified in the release notice under section 4(2), and
 - (iii) the release is carried out in accordance with the release notice, or
 - (b) the organism is—
 - (i) a marketable precision bred organism (see section 5(2)), or
 - (ii) the qualifying progeny of a marketable precision bred organism (see section 24).
- (2) For the purposes of this Act an organism is under a person’s “control” if the person keeps it contained by measures designed to—
 - (a) limit its contact with humans and the environment, and
 - (b) prevent or minimise the risk of adverse effects as regards the health of humans or the environment.
- (3) For the purposes of this section and section 4, a person “releases” an organism under their control by deliberately causing or permitting it to—

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- (a) cease to be under their control or the control of anyone else, and
- (b) enter the environment.