



# United Kingdom Internal Market Act 2020

## CHAPTER 27

### UNITED KINGDOM INTERNAL MARKET ACT 2020

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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 1 — Exclusions from market access principles

#### *Threats to human, animal or plant health*

- 1 (1) The United Kingdom market access principles do not apply...
- 2 (1) The mutual recognition principle for goods does not apply...
- 3 Where a decision is taken to exercise powers conferred by...
- 4 (1) In paragraphs 1 and 2, “responsible administration” is to...
- 5 (1) A relevant requirement is not to be taken to...

#### *Chemicals*

- 6 An authorisation under Chapter 2 of Title 7 of the...
- 7 The mutual recognition principle for goods does not apply to...
- 8 In paragraphs 6 and 7, “the REACH Regulation” means Regulation...

#### *Fertilisers and pesticides*

- 9 The mutual recognition principle for goods does not apply to...
- 10 The mutual recognition principle for goods does not apply to...

#### *Taxation*

- 11 The United Kingdom market access principles do not apply to...

#### *Provision having effect in more than one part of the United Kingdom*

- 12 (1) A relevant requirement is not to be taken indirectly...

#### *Single-use plastic items*

- 13 (1) The United Kingdom market access principles do not apply...

### SCHEDULE 2 — Services exclusions

#### PART 1 — SERVICES TO WHICH SECTION 19 (MUTUAL RECOGNITION) DOES NOT APPLY

#### PART 2 — SERVICES TO WHICH SECTIONS 20 AND 21 (NON-DISCRIMINATION) DO NOT APPLY

#### PART 3 — AUTHORISATION REQUIREMENTS TO WHICH SECTION 19 (MUTUAL RECOGNITION) DOES NOT APPLY

#### PART 4 — REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS TO WHICH SECTIONS 20 AND 21 (NON-DISCRIMINATION) DO NOT APPLY

### SCHEDULE 3 — Constitution etc of Office for the Internal Market panel and task groups

- 1 Schedule 4 to the Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act 2013...
- 2 (1) Paragraph 1 is amended as follows.
- 3 (1) Paragraph 3 is amended as follows.
- 4 (1) Paragraph 4 is amended as follows.
- 5 (1) Paragraph 6 is amended as follows.
- 6 In paragraph 9(2)— (a) omit “or” at the end of...
- 7 In paragraph 10(2)(b), at the end insert “ or the...
- 8 After Part 3 insert— PART 3A The OIM panel The...

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