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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1992 No. 3217**

**HEALTH AND SAFETY**

**The Genetically Modified Organisms  
(Contained Use) Regulations 1992**

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**THE GENETICALLY MODIFIED ORGANISMS  
(CONTAINED USE) REGULATIONS 1992**

PART I

INTERPRETATION AND GENERAL

1. Citation and commencement
2. Interpretation
3. Application
4. Meaning of “work” “at work”
5. Modification of section 3(2) of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974

PART II

NOTIFICATION OF AND CONSENT FOR  
ACTIVITIES INVOLVING GENETIC MODIFICATION

6. Prohibition of certain work with genetically modified organisms outside containment
7. Risk assessment
8. Notification of the intention to use premises for activities involving genetic modification for the first time
9. Notification of individual activities involving genetic modification
10. Additional provisions relating to notifications and consents
11. Establishment of a genetic modification safety committee

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### PART III

#### CONDUCT OF ACTIVITIES INVOLVING GENETIC MODIFICATION

12. Standards of occupational and environmental safety and containment
13. Emergency plans
14. Notification of accidents

### PART IV

#### DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION NOTIFIED AND PUBLICITY

15. Disclosure of information notified
16. Register of notifications

### PART V

#### ADDITIONAL DUTIES PLACED ON THE EXECUTIVE

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### PART VI

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20. Exemption certificates
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#### SCHEDULE 1 — DEFINITION OF GENETIC MODIFICATION

##### PART I — **Examples of techniques constituting genetic modification**

1. Examples of the techniques which constitute genetic modification which are...

##### PART II — **Techniques which are not considered to result in genetic modification**

2. The following techniques are not considered to result in genetic...

##### PART III — **Techniques to which these Regulations do not apply**

3. These Regulations shall not apply to the following techniques of...

#### SCHEDULE 2 — CRITERIA FOR THE CLASSIFICATION OF ORGANISMS

##### PART I — **Criteria as applicable for classification of micro-organisms in Group I**

1. Recipient or parental organism
2. Vectors/Insert
3. Genetically modified micro-organisms
4. Other genetically modified micro-organisms that could be included in Group I if they meet the conditions in paragraph 3

**PART II — Guidelines as applicable for classification of micro-organisms in Group I**

5. Characteristics of the recipient or parental organism(s)
6. Characteristics of the vector
7. Required characteristics of the insert
8. Required characteristics of the genetically modified micro-organism
9. Other genetically modified micro-organisms that could be included in Group I if they meet the conditions in paragraph 8 above

**PART III — Criteria for the classification of organisms other than micro-organisms**

10. An organism which satisfies the criteria of this Part is...

**SCHEDULE 3 — PARAMETERS TO BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN RISK ASSESSMENTS, AS FAR AS THEY ARE RELEVANT, UNDER REGULATION 7**

1. Characteristics of the donor, recipient or (where appropriate) parental organism
2. Characteristics of the modified organism
3. Health considerations
4. Environmental considerations

**SCHEDULE 4 — INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR A NOTIFICATION UNDER REGULATION 8(1)**

**SCHEDULE 5 — INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR A NOTIFICATION UNDER REGULATION 9**

**PART I — Information required under regulation 9(3)**

1. A notification required for the purposes of regulation 9(3) shall...

**PART II — Additional information required under regulation 9(4)**

2. In addition to the information required under Part I a...

**PART III — Additional information required under regulation 9(5)**

3. In addition to the information required under Parts I and...
4. If it is not technically possible, or if it does...
5. The additional information required is— (a) information about the genetically...

**SCHEDULE 6 — CONTAINMENT MEASURES FOR MICRO-ORGANISMS OF GROUP II**

1. The containment measures for Type B operations using micro-organisms from...
2. Type B operations shall be considered in terms of their...

Explanatory Note