

Corporate report: APHA regulatory and compliance policy

Updated: The APHA regulatory and compliance policy has been updated.

The document outlines the APHA's regulatory functions, the principles of Better Regulation which guide these functions and our policy on achieving compliance.

We are the national regulator in Great Britain responsible for the delivery of government policies on animal health and welfare on behalf of the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra), Scottish Government and Welsh Government.

We are the designated UK Management Authority under the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES) and work on behalf of the Food Standards Agency in relation to the Food Hygiene Regulations.

We implement and enforce plant and bee health policy and the release and marketing of genetically modified organisms (GMOs) in England, and in Wales on behalf of the Welsh Government. We also enforce compliance with egg marketing standards.