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Committee on Import Licensing

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AGREEMENT ON IMPORT LICENSING PROCEDURES

NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 5.1 TO 5.4 OF THE AGREEMENT¹

UNITED KINGDOM

The following notification, dated 2 February 2012, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the United Kingdom.

	Category	Notification details
1	Notifying Member	United Kingdom
2	Title of new legislation/procedure	The Import and Export Licensing (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2021
3	Date of Publication	2 December 2021
4	Date of entry into force	23 December 2021
5	Website link/Official publication of the new regulation/procedure	https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2021/1358/made/data.pdf
6	Have you attached a copy of the regulation (PDF) to the Secretariat	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes. (Please attach a copy of the regulation to the notification.) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No.
7	Type of notification	<input type="checkbox"/> (a) New licensing regulation/procedure ² ; (please answer question 8 to 14) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (b) Changes to a regulation/procedure which has been previously notified in document: G/LIC/N/2/GBR/1 (please answer question 15 and 16)
8	List of products subject to licensing	Please provide the HS codes and detailed descriptions of the products. In case of a long list, please attach the list as an Annex in MS WORD document.
9	Nature of licensing	Automatic: <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Automatic: <input type="checkbox"/>
10	Administrative purpose/measure being implemented	(a) <input type="checkbox"/> Protect public morals; (b) <input type="checkbox"/> Protect human, animal or plant life and health; protect environment; (c) <input type="checkbox"/> Collect trade statistics or market surveillance; (d) <input type="checkbox"/> Protection of patents, trademarks and copyrights, and the prevention of deceptive practices; (e) <input type="checkbox"/> Pursue obligations under the UN Charter and other international treaties (i.e. CITES, Basel Convention, Rotterdam Convention, UNSC Resolutions etc.) (f) <input type="checkbox"/> Quota (including TRQ) administration;

¹ It is understood that the notifying Member has also completed its notification obligations under Article 1.4(a) and Article 8.2(b) regarding the relevant law/regulation/procedure notified for by filling this form in a full and complete manner.

² "New licensing regulation/procedure" is understood to refer to any newly introduced law, regulation or procedure, and those which are in force but being notified for the first time to the Committee.

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		(g) <input type="checkbox"/> Regulate imports of arms, ammunition or fissionable materials and safeguard national security; (h) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ (please specify)
11	Administrative body(ies) for submission of applications	Ministry/authority and Department: [] Address: [] Website: [] Telephone: [] E-Mail: []
12	Contact point for information on eligibility	Ministry/authority and Department: [] Address: [] Website: [] Telephone: [] E-Mail: []
13	Expected duration of licensing procedure	
14	A summary of the notification in one of the WTO official languages	
15	In the case of 7(b), please indicate the type of new change(s)	(a) <input type="checkbox"/> Termination (b) <input type="checkbox"/> Suspension (c) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Modification of specific details in existing procedures: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Product coverage; <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative purpose; <input type="checkbox"/> Automatic or Non-automatic; <input type="checkbox"/> Duration of licensing; <input type="checkbox"/> Change the nature of quantity/value restriction; <input type="checkbox"/> Eligibility of applicants; <input type="checkbox"/> Contact information on eligibility; <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative body(ies) for submission of application; <input type="checkbox"/> Documentation requirements (including application form); <input type="checkbox"/> Period for Application; <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative body(ies) to issue licence; <input type="checkbox"/> Processing time for issuing licence; <input type="checkbox"/> Licence fee/administrative charge; <input type="checkbox"/> Deposit/advance payment and relevant conditions; <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal regulations/procedures; <input type="checkbox"/> Validity of licence; <input type="checkbox"/> Other conditions of licence (extension, transferability, penalty of non-use etc.); <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign exchange requirements; <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ (please specify).
16	Please elaborate the changes in detail (in one of the WTO official languages)	<p>The Import and Export Licensing (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2021 revoke the requirement for general licences for imports of rice and ethyl alcohol of agricultural origin and export licences for rice, as set out in retained EU law in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No. 2016/1237 and Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No. 2016/1239.</p> <p>As a result, the following products no longer require a non-quota import licence, when imported into England, Wales and Scotland. Other arrangements apply in Northern Ireland by virtue of the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland.</p>

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		Product	Commodity Codes
		Husked, Milled or Broken Rice	1006 20, 1006 30 and 1006 40 00.
		Ethyl Alcohol of agricultural origin	2207 10, 2207 20, 2208 90 91 and 2208 90 99.
		Guidance on return of financial securities held by the Rural Payments Agency against existing licences can be found here – https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/notice-to-traders-10121-information-on-general-non-quota-importexport-licences	