



# Food Hygiene Rating (Wales) Act 2013

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## *Introduction*

### **1 Overview**

- (1) This Act establishes a food hygiene rating scheme for Wales.
- (2) The scheme provides for food authorities in Wales to inspect (section 2), and produce food hygiene ratings of (section 3), food business establishments in their areas.
- (3) A food hygiene rating is to be produced by scoring the food hygiene standards of an establishment against criteria published by the Food Standards Agency (“FSA”) (sections 3 and 4).
- (4) A food business establishment may appeal against its food hygiene rating and comment on it (sections 5 and 11).
- (5) A food authority must inform the FSA of the food hygiene rating of an establishment in its area, and the FSA must publish the rating (section 6).
- (6) A food business establishment must inform the public of its food hygiene rating (sections 7 and 8).
- (7) Failure to inform the public is a criminal offence, punishable by a fine or fixed penalty (section 9, sections 19 to 22 and the Schedule).
- (8) A food business establishment may in certain circumstances request a re-rating (section 12).
- (9) Powers and responsibilities of food authorities and the FSA, and responsibilities of operators of food business establishments are set out in sections 14 to 16.

#### **Commencement Information**

**II** [S. 1](#) in force at 28.11.2013 by [S.I. 2013/2617](#), [art. 3\(a\)](#)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Food Hygiene Rating (Wales) Act 2013,  
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