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Competent authorities

4.—(1) The competent authority for the purposes of the EU Hygiene Regulations is the Agency except where it has delegated competences as provided for in those Regulations.

(2) The competent authorities for the purposes of the provisions of Regulation 178/2002 specified in paragraph (3) are the Agency and each food authority in its area or district.

(3) The provisions of Regulation 178/2002 are —

- (a) Article 14(8) (power of competent authorities to take appropriate measures to impose restrictions on the placing of food on the market or to require its withdrawal from the market in certain circumstances);
- (b) Article 18(2) and (3) (competent authorities to which food business operators must make information available on demand as to the traceability of food); and
- (c) Article 19 (food business operators to inform and collaborate with competent authorities to avoid or reduce risks posed by a food).