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Defra survey of Local Authorities' provision of High Risk Food Not of Animal Origin certification for EU Exports

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Purpose

To notify FCCOs that Defra is conducting a short survey to determine which councils certify exports to the EU of High-Risk Food of Non-Animal Origin ([HRFNAO](#)).

Background

Presently, it can be difficult for exporters of HRFNAO goods to determine which Local Authorities (LAs) provide HRFNAO certification services for EU exports. Defra intends to publicly list the LAs which do, in order to provide a signposting resource for exporters.

Action

Please answer if your LA offers this service by completing this short [survey](#). The survey closes on 19 March.

Further Information

If you have any questions, please contact: sps.hrfnao@defra.gov.uk