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EU NEWS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF “ACQUIS COMMUNAUTAIRE”

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Hygiene of foodstuffs – guidance for foodstuffs operators

1) GENERAL FOOD LAW REQUIREMENTS – GUIDANCE DOCUMENT




A guidance document on the implementation of the General Food law main requirements has been developed by a working group of Member State experts. These requirements are ***traceability of food and feed products, responsibility of operators, withdrawal of unsafe food or feed from the market and notification to the competent Authorities.***




Their implementation from 1st January 2005 has given rise to numerous questions in particular from EU food chain operators and third country trading partners. The guidance document aims to assist all players in the food chain to better understand and to apply correctly and in a uniform way the Regulation.

Implementation Guidance Document   

2) FOOD HYGIENE – GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

In order to assist Member States and food business operators to better understand the new food hygiene rules, the following guidance documents were prepared:

- Guidance document   on the implementation of certain provisions of Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 on the hygiene of foodstuffs. 

- [Guidance document](#) [de](#) [fr](#) on the implementation of certain provisions of Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 on the hygiene of food of animal origin.  pdf
- [Guidance document](#) [de](#) [fr](#) on the implementation of procedures based on the HACCP principles, and on the facilitation of the implementation of the HACCP principles in certain food businesses.  pdf
- [Guidance document](#) - Key questions related to import requirements and the new rules on food hygiene and official food controls.  pdf