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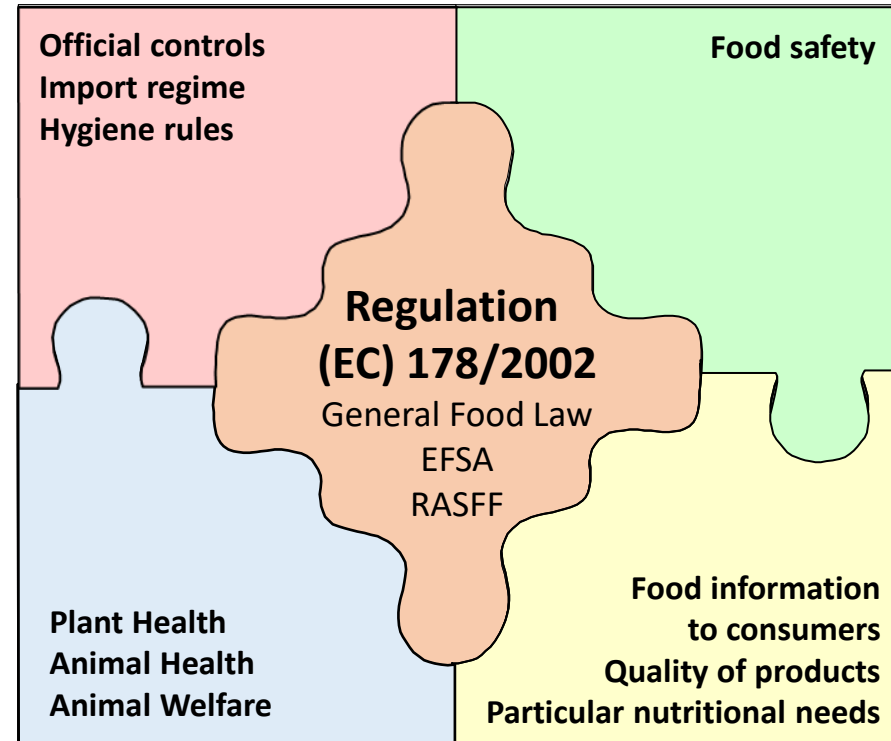
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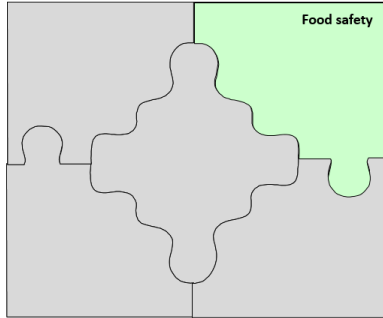
**"Overview of the EU Food Legislation"**

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# EU Food Law



## Food Safety



### Food improvement agents

- Additives
- Flavourings
- Enzymes



### Residues

- Pesticides
- Veterinary medicines
- Hormones



### Contaminants

- Mycotoxins
- Heavy metals
- Dioxin and PCBs

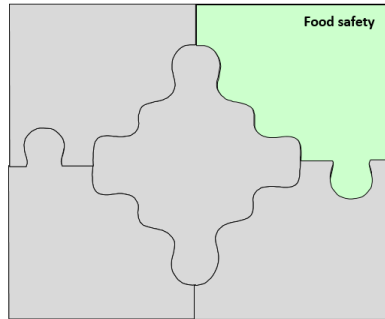


### Microbiological criteria

- Listeria
- Campylobacter
- Salmonella



## Food Safety (Continued)



### ❑ Food contact materials

- Plastic materials
- Ceramics/Cellulose
- Paper/Inks/Metals



### ❑ Processes

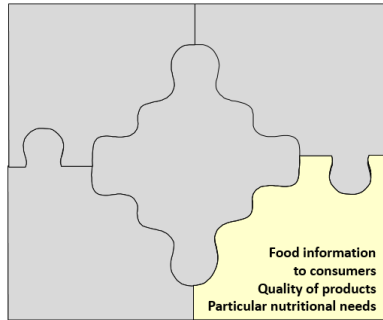
- Novel food
- GM food
- Irradiation
- Radioactive contamination



### ❑ Animal nutrition

- Feed materials
- Feed additives
- Compound feed including pet food
- Medicated feed





## Food Information to Consumers

### Food labelling

- General principles
- Mandatory labelling
- Labelling modalities



### Nutrition labelling

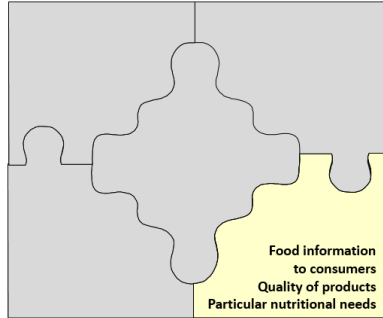
- Nutrition panel
- Front-of-pack labelling
- Alternative forms of presentation



### Nutrition and Health Claims

- Nutrition Claims
- Functional claims
- Claims relating to children's development
- Disease risk reduction claims





## Quality of Products

### ❑ The 'breakfast Directives

- Fruit juices
- Coffee extracts
- Sugars
- Dehydrated milks
- Jam and marmalades
- Honey
- Mineral waters



### ❑ Organic production

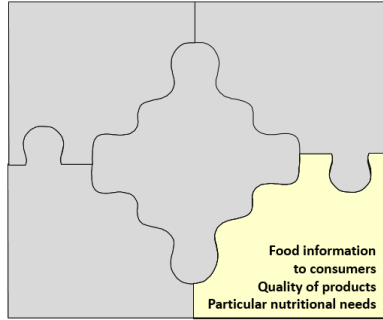
- Organic production and labelling of organic food
- Importation of biological products from non-EU countries
- Controls



### ❑ Geographic indications

- Protected Designation of Origin (AOP)
- Protected Geographical Indication (PGI)
- Geographical indications (GI) for spirit drinks and aromatized wines





## Particular nutritional needs

### ❑ Food for Specific Groups (FSG)

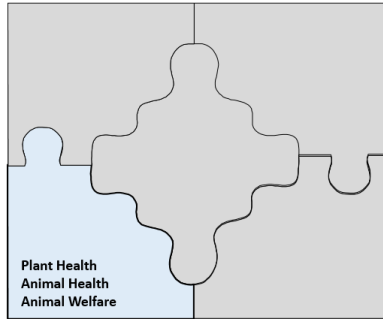
- Infant and follow-on formula
- Processed-cereal based food and other baby food
- Food for special medical purposes
- Total diet replacement for weight control



### ❑ Food fortification and food supplements (FSG)

- Addition of vitamins, minerals and other substances
- Food supplements





## Plant health, Animal health and Animal welfare

### ❑ Plant health

- Movement of plants and plant products within the EU
- Introduction of plants and plant products into the EU
- Eradication and containment measures in case of outbreaks



### ❑ Animal health

- Disease prevention and preparedness - biosecurity
- Intra-EU movements and entry into the EU of animal products
- Surveillance and emergency measures



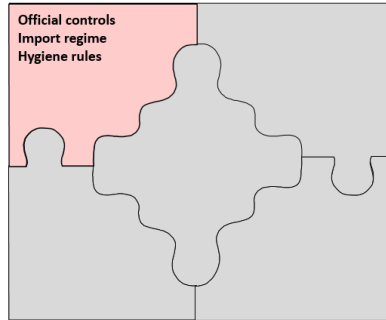
### ❑ Animal welfare

- On the farm
- During transport
- At the time of stunning and slaughter





## Controls – Hygiene



### ❑ Official controls

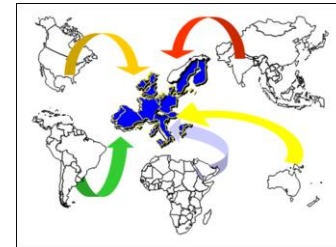
- EU legislation
- Enforcement by Member States
- European Commission audits

### ❑ Import regime

- Products of animal origin
- Products of plant origin
- Controls at imports

### ❑ Hygiene

- EU Legislation
- HACCP
- GAP, GMP, GDP



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