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ANIMAL FEEDING STUFFS	Chemical Tests *Indicates analysis performed under Food Standards Agency designation as Official Laboratory in accordance with retained Regulation (EU) 2017/625	Documented In-House Methods:
	*Aflatoxins - B ₁ , B ₂ , G ₁ , G ₂ (small sample size)	Method FVU 329 using HPLC with immuno-affinity column and fluorescence detector
	*Aflatoxins - B ₁ , B ₂ , G ₁ , G ₂ Ochratoxin A (small sample size)	Method FIH072 using HPLC with immuno-affinity column and fluorescence detector
	*Ash	F/IH/004 using gravimetry
	*Acid insoluble ash	F/IH/31 using gravimetry
	*Crude Fibre	FVU223 using Foss Fibertec
	*Oil/Fat	F/IH/005 using acid digestion and soxhlet extraction
	*Moisture	F/IH/006 using gravimetry
	*Nitrogen	Method FVU 013 using digestion block
	*Protein	F/IH/007, calculation based on Method FVU 013
	*Arsenic, *Cadmium, *Cobalt, *Copper, *Lead, *Mercury, *Selenium and *Zinc	FIH073 using ICP-MS
	*Vitamins A, and E	FIH064 using HPLC with UV/PDA detection

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	Isolation and confirmation of:	
	*Salmonella spp.	Method M/018 using enrichment based on BS EN ISO 6579:2002 + A1:2007
FOODS and FOOD PRODUCTS	Chemical Tests	Documented In-House Methods:
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- Alcoholic beverages	*Alcoholic strength	Method FVU 163 by obscuration
	*Alcoholic strength	F/IH/020 using distillation and density measurement
- Alcoholic beverages (cont'd)	*Sugars: *Fructose *Glucose *Sucrose	Method FIH053 using HPLC with pulsed amperometric detection
- Dairy products	*Nitrogen	FVU 013 using digestion block followed by steam distillation and titration of the distillate
- Cheese	*Water content	Method FVU 294
- Cream	*Protein	F/IH/007, calculation based on Method FVU 013
	*Fat	FVU 108 using the Rose-Gottlieb method
	*Fat	FVU 216 using the Gerber method

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- Milk	*Antibiotic residues and other inhibitory substances	Method FVU 260 using Delvotest SP kits
	*Fat	FVU 004 using the Rose-Gottlieb method
	*Fat	FVU 008 using the Gerber method
	*Freezing point depression	Method FVU 147 using Thermistor Cryoscope
Milk and Milk Products	*Milk-solids - non-fat	F/IH/008, calculation based on results of accredited tests
	*Phosphatase activity	Method FIH067 using Fluorophos Instrument
Milk	*Titratable acidity	Method FVU 131 using titrimetry
- Fats and oils	*Fatty acid composition	FVU 291 using capillary gas chromatography
	*Free fatty acids	Method FVU 010 using titrimetry
	*n-Butyric acid	Method FVU 289 using GC/FID
	*Peroxide value	Method FVU 009 using titrimetry
- Fish and fish products	*Fish content	F/IH/010, a calculated result based on accredited moisture fat, protein and carbohydrate test results
	*Identification of species	FIH059 using DNA extraction, PCR- RFLP with detection of DNA fragments using the Agilent 2100 Bioanalyser
	*Total volatile nitrogen	Method FVU 157 using titration

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Fishery Products	*Total Viable Basic Nitrogen TVB-N	FVU 216 using steam distillation and titration
- Nuts, nut products	*Aflatoxins - B ₁ , B ₂ , G ₁ , G ₂ (small sample size)	Method FVU 329 using immuno- affinity column/HPLC/fluorescence detector
- Nuts, nut products spices	*Aflatoxins - B1, B2, G1, G2 Ochratoxin A (small sample size)	Method FIH072 using immuno-affinity column/HPLC/ fluorescence detector
- Foods in general	*Acidity	Method F/IH/013 by titration
	*Alcohol content	Method F/IH/019 using GC/FID
	*Compositional Analysis, Additives, Colourings, Preservatives and related contaminants	Development and modification of methods for analysis using the Flexible Scope Procedures GP/501 using HPLC
	*Compositional Analysis, Additives, Colourings, Preservatives and related contaminants	Development and modification of methods for analysis using the Flexible Scope Procedures GP/601 using GC-FID
	*Compositional Analysis, Additives, Colourings, Preservatives and related contaminants	Development and modification of methods for analysis using the Flexible Scope Procedures GP/701 using UV Spectrophotometry
	*Compositional Analysis, contaminants, Allergens and Meat Species	Development and modification of methods for analysis using the Flexible Scope Procedures GP/1000 using ELISA test kits
	*Artificial colours (quantitative)	Method FVU 104 using HPLC with UV detection

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- Foods in general (cont'd)	*Arsenic, *Cadmium, *Mercury, *Lead, *Copper and *Zinc	FIH073 using ICP-MS
	*Additives and flavouring: *Acesulfame K *Aspartame *Benzoic acid *Caffeine *Saccharin *Sorbic acid	Method F/IH/028 by HPLC with UV detection
	*Ash	Method F/IH/004 using gravimetry
	*Acid insoluble ash	Method F/IH/031 using gravimetry
	*Butter fat	Method FVU 289 by calculation
	*Energy value *Kcal/100g *kJ/100g	Method FVU 381, a calculated result based on accredited protein, carbohydrate, fat and alcohol in food test results
	*Fat	F/IH/002 using Werner-Schmidt method
	*Identification of materials	Development and modification of methods for analysis using Flexible Scope Procedure GP/300 using light microscopy
	*Fat	Method F/IH/005 using acid digestion and Soxhlet extraction
	*Free fat and Moisture	Method F/IH/018 using Gravimetry and Soxhlet extraction
	*Moisture	Method F/IH/006 using gravimetry
	*Monosodium glutamate	Method F/IH/036 using HPLC with UV detection

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- Foods in general (cont'd)	*Nitrogen	Method FVU 013 using digestion block followed by steam distillation and titration of the distillate
	*pH	Method FVU 282
	*Protein	Method F/IH/007, calculation based on results of accredited tests
	*Soluble solids	Method FVU 247 using refractometer
	*Sugars	Method F/IH/014 using HPLC with refractive index detection
	*Sulphur dioxide	Method FVU 246 using iodine titration
- Foods in general (cont'd)	*Water activity	Method F/IH/021 using chilled mirror dew point technique
- Meats and meat products	8Hydroxyproline	FVU 092 using UV/VIS spectrophotometry
	*Meat content	Method F/IH/010, calculated result based on accredited test results
	*Identification of meat species	Flexible Scope Procedure GP/1000 using enzyme immunoassay test kits
- Meats and meat products (raw and cooked)	*Identification of meat species: *Horse *Pork	Method FPCR02 detection of equine and porcine Mitochondrial DNA using Real time qPCR technique with the Applied Biosystems OneStepPlus Real Time PCR
	*Nitrite	Method FVU 288 using UV/VIS spectrophotometry
	*Total volatile nitrogen	Method FVU 157 using titrimetry

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- Soya based sauces	*3-monochloropran1,2 -diol (3-MCPD)	Method FIH071 using GC-MS
- Spices and condiments	*Examination	Metho FVU 224 using optical microscopy
- Fruit products	*Drained weight	Method FVU 052 using gravimetry
- Honey	*Moisture content	Method FVU 265 using refractometer
	*Ash	Method FVU 122 using gravimetry
	*Water-insoluble solids	Method FVU 266 using gravimetry

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	*Campylobacter spp.	Method M/023 using Preston enrichment broth incubated at 37°C for 48 h and plating onto CCDA and Chromogenic agar and incubated at 41.5°C for 48h with confirmation by morphology, motility, oxidase, Oxoid campy latex, and biochemical identification using API Campy test
	*Escherichia coli O157	Method M/041 using enrichment and immuno-magnetic separation based on BS EN ISO 16654:2001 + A2:2023
	*Listeria spp. and Listeria monocytogenes	Method M/019 using enrichment based on BS EN ISO 11290-1:2017 with identification using API Listeria
	*Salmonella spp.	Method M/018 using enrichment based on BS EN ISO 6579-1: 2017+A1:2020
	Enumeration of:	
	*Bacillus cereus	Method M/024 using plate count based on BS EN ISO 7932:1998 +A1:2020
	*Clostridium perfringens	Method M/022 using plate count based on BS EN ISO 15213-2:2023 with in-house confirmation using NMM and LG
	*Enterobacteriaceae	Method M/027 using plate count based on BS ISO 21528-2:2017

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	Enumeration:	
Raw Poultry	*Campylobacter spp	Method M/060 based on ISO 10272- 2:2017+A1:2023 with confirmation using Oxidase, Aerobic Growth Capability, Motility and Morphology
	*Enterococci faecalis	Method M/017 using plate count based on BS 4285-Part 3.11:1985
Shellfish (bivalve molluscan)	*Escherichia coli	Method M/047 using MPN based on BS EN ISO 16649-3: 2015
	*Escherichia coli	Method M/051 using selective medium, based on BS ISO 16649-2:2001
	*Listeria spp and Listeria monocytogenes	Method M/021 using enrichment and plate count based on BS EN ISO 11290-2:2017 with identification using API Listeria
	*Staphylococcus aureus	Method M/020 using plate count based on BS EN ISO 6888-1:2021
	*Total colony count at 30 °C	Method M/015 using pour plate count based on BS EN 4833-1:2013 +A1:2022
	*Yeast and moulds	Method M/045 using spread plate method based on BS EN ISO 21527- 1:2008 in products with water activity greater than 0.95
ENVIRONMENTAL SWABS	Total colony count at 30 °C	Method M/046 (preparation) followed by Method M/015 using plate count based on BS EN 4833-1:2013+A1: 2022

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Bean Sprouts / Sprouted Seeds	*Shiga Toxin Producing Escherichia coli DNA specific to stx1, stx2 and eae genes	MPCR09 by real time PCR of stx1, stx2 and eae target specific Probes and Primers following primary enrichment in Modified Tryptone Soya Broth
Dairy Products	*Shiga Toxin Producing Escherichia coli (STEC) DNA specific to stx1, stx 2 and eae genes	MPCR012 by real time PCR of stsx1, stx2 and eae target specific Probes and Primers, following primary enrichment in Modified Tryptone Soya Broth
Mince and Meat Products	*Shiga Toxin Producing Escherichia coli (STEC) DNA specific to stx1, stx 2 and eae genes	MPCR013 by real time PCR of stsx1, stx2 and eae target specific Probes and Primers, following primary enrichment in Modified Tryptone Soya Broth
FOODS and FOOD PRODUCTS, ANIMAL FEEDING STUFFS, ENVIRONMENTAL SAMPLES (soils and waters)	*Detection and Identification of Bacteria DNA using Specific Genomic Sequences	Development and modification of methods and analysis using the Flexible Scope Procedure GP1103 using Real Time PCR

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POLLUTANTS AND EFFLUENTS:	Chemical Tests	Documented In-House Method:
Atmospheric	Nitrogen dioxide (collected by diffusion tubes)	Method EA/017 based on Apling A J, et al, Warren Spring Laboratory, LR 311(AP), 1979 by spectrophotometry
WATERS		
Potable, surface, ground water	Alkalinity	Method W/010 based on SCA Method, 1981 (ISBN 011 75116015)
	Ammonia and ammonium ion	Method W/012 based on SCA Method, 1981 (ISBN 011 75116939)
	Colour	Method W/021 based on SCA Method, 1981, 1988 (ISBN 011 7519553, ISBN 011 7520837)
	Dry residue at 180 °C	Methods W/005 based on SCA Method, 1980 TDS (ISBN 011 751957X)
	Electrical conductivity	Method W/004 based on SCA Method, 1978 (ISBN 011 7514284)
	рН	Method W/003 based on SCA Method, 1978 (ISBN 011 7514284)
	Turbidity	Method W/022 based on SCA Method, 1981 (ISBN 011 7519553)
	Chloride Nitrate Sulphate	Method W/024 using ion chromatography
	Residual disinfectant	Method W/017 based on SCA Method, 1980 (ISBN 011 7514934)

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WATERS (cont'd)	Microbiological Tests	Documented In-House Methods
	Detection and confirmation of:	
Potable waters	Salmonella spp	Method M/006 using enrichment based on The Microbiology of Drinking Water (2006) Part 9, including additional secondary enrichment in MKTTn and isolation on XLD and BGA agars
	Enumeration of:	
Potable, surface, ground water	Total viable colony count at 22 °C and 37 °C	Method M/001 based on The Microbiology of Drinking Water (2020) Part 7
Potable waters	Legionella spp	1) Method M/008 based on ISO 11731:1998 (Withdrawn)
		2) Method M/058 based on ISO 11731-2:2004 (Withdrawn)
Potable, surface, ground water	Total coliforms and Escherichia coli	Method M/049 using Colilert based on The Microbiology of Drinking Water (2016) Part 4D
		Method M/042 using membrane filtration and chromogenic medium
	Enterococci	Method M/004 using membrane filtration based on The Microbiology of Water (2012) Part 5A
	Pseudomonas aeruginosa	Method M/010 using membrane filtration based on the Microbiology of Drinking Water (2015) Part 8

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WATERS (cont'd)	Chemical Tests	Documented In-House Methods:
Potable, surface, ground water, closed hot and cold water systems water and spa bath water (excluding cooling tower and high bio-burden waters)	Detection and quantification of: Legionella species DNA	Method MPCR01 using RT-PCR
Potable waters (including Public and Private Water Supplies)	Analysis for the purpose of enforcement of: - The Water Supply (Water Quality) (Scotland) Regulations 2014 - The Private Water Supplies (Scotland) Regulations 2017 (SSI2017/281)	Methodology meeting the requirements of The Drinking Water Testing Specification
	Ammonia and ammonium ions	Method W/012 using UV Spectrophotometry
	Colour	Method W/021 using UV Spectrophotometry
	Electrical conductivity	Method W/004 using conductivity meter
	Turbidity	Method W/022 using Turbidity Meter
	Anions: Fluoride Chloride Nitrate Nitrite Phosphate Sulphate	Method W/024 using ion chromatography
	Antimony Arsenic Lead Selenium	Method W042 using ICP-MS

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SWIMMING POOL WATERS	Chemical Tests	Documented In-House Methods:
	рН	Method W/003 based on SCA Method 1978 B
	Conductivity	Method W/004 based on SCA Method 1978 A
	Calcium	Method W/008 based on SCA Method 1981
	Alkalinity	Method W/010 based on SCA Method 1978 A
	Residual disinfectant; Free residual chlorine Monochloramine Dichloramine Combined Chlorine Total Residual Chlorine	Documented In-House Method W/017 based on SCA Method, 1980 (ISBN 011 7514934)
	Turbidity	Method W/022 based on SCA Method, 1981 (ISBN 011 7519553)
	Microbiological Tests	Documented In-House Methods based on The Microbiology of
	Enumeration of:	Drinking Water 2002
	Total aerobic colony count at 22°C and 37°C	Method M/001 based on the Microbiology of Drinking Water (2020) Part 7
	Total coliforms and Escherichia coli	M/042 using membrane filtration and chromogenic medium
	Pseudomonas aeruginosa	Method M/010 using membrane filtration based on the Microbiology of Drinking Water (2015) Part 8
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