

Food Offences - Harm Categories:**Organisations and individuals:**

Category 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serious adverse effect(s) on human health requiring medical treatment and/or having a widespread impact • High risk* of a serious adverse effect on human health 	Comment [C1]: Para 3.8, Q6
Category 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adverse effect on human health (not amounting to Category 1) • Medium risk* of adverse effect on human health • Regulator and / or legitimate industry substantially undermined by offender's activities • Relevant authorities unable to trace products in order to investigate risks to health, or are otherwise inhibited in identifying or addressing risks to health • Consumer misled regarding food's compliance with religious or personal beliefs 	Comment [C2]: Additional factor, para 3.8
Category 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • low risk* of an adverse effect on human health • Public misled about the specific food consumed, but little or no risk of adverse effect on human health 	Comment [C3]: Move medium risk to Category 2 per para 3.6

* The level of risk should be assessed with reference to the potential number of consumers exposed, the type of consumer exposed and the nature of the offence.