

Figure 1 - Division of responsibility for official food controls - at a glance


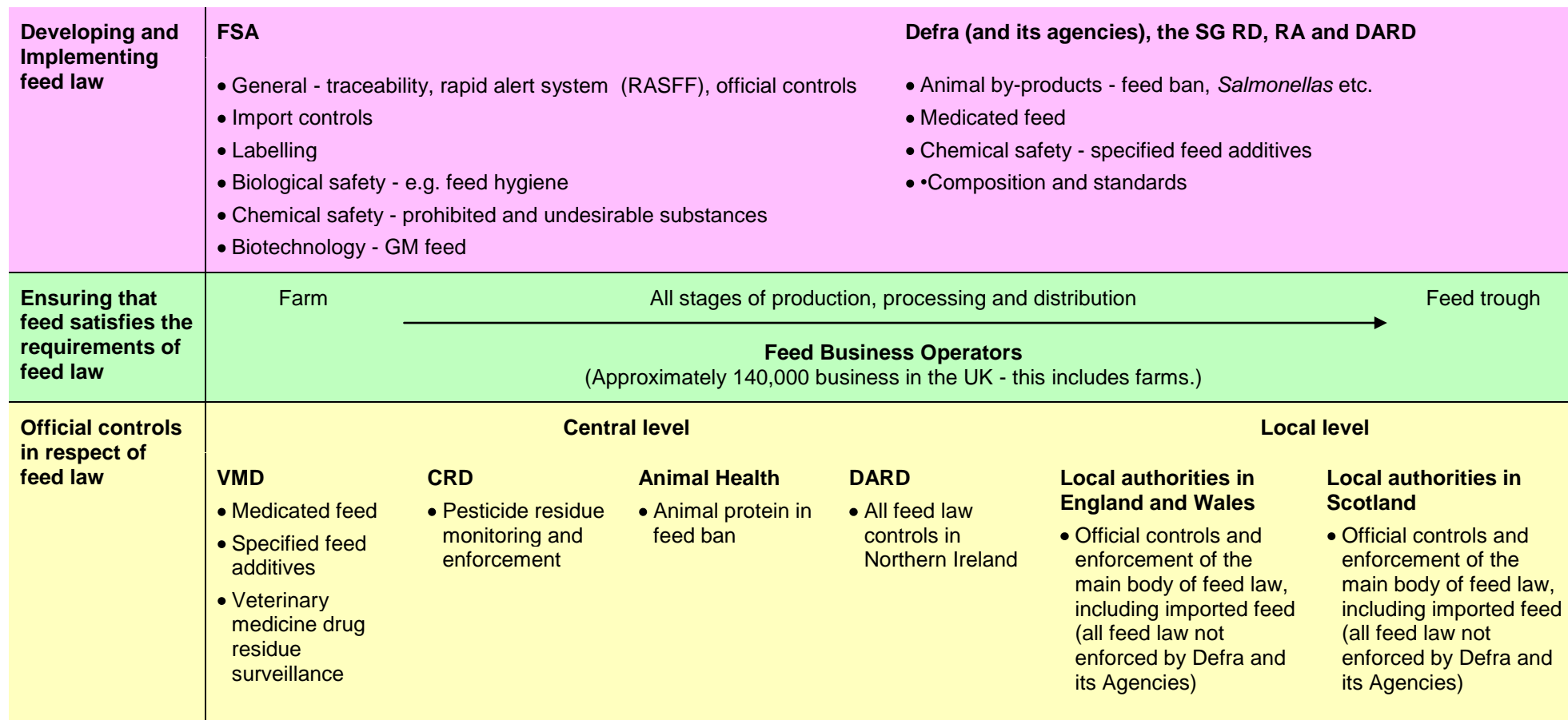
<p>Developing and Implementing food law</p>	<p>FSA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General - traceability, rapid alert system (RASFF), delivery of official controls • Import controls - public health aspects, fish/fishery products and products of non-animal origin • Labelling – food safety aspects • Biological safety - e.g. food hygiene, TSEs. • Chemical safety - e.g. additives, contaminants, food contact materials, • Radiological safety – Irradiation of food • Novel and GM foods 		<p>Defra (and its agencies), the SG RD, RA and DARD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Imports controls - animal health aspects for products of animal origin • Labelling – general, beef labelling and protected food names • Composition and standards - organic produce, bottled waters, fat spreads, chocolate, • Biological safety - certain rules relating to TSEs • Residues of pesticides • Residues of veterinary products (VMD) 		<p>DH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Composition and standards - foods for particular nutritional use • Labelling - nutritional, health claims 			
<p>Ensuring that food satisfies the requirements of food law</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Farm All stages of production, processing and distribution Fork</p> <p style="text-align: center;">  </p> <p style="text-align: center;">Food Business Operators (Approximately 600,000 establishments, plus approximately 195,000 holdings at primary production level.)</p>							
<p>Delivery of Official controls in respect of food law</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Central level</p> <p>FSA (on UK wide basis)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inspection and approval of food irradiation facilities • Approval of fresh meat premises • Classification of shellfish harvesting areas • Hygiene controls - fresh meat • SRM controls <p>AHDH (on behalf of the FSA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hygiene controls - milk production holdings <p>AHEM/SGRPID (on behalf of the FSA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hygiene controls - egg production units 		<p>Defra (on UK-wide basis)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organisation of protected food names scheme • Overseeing system for certification of organic produce • Policy on general labelling • Recognition of natural mineral waters from non-EEA countries <p>VMD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Veterinary medicine drug residue surveillance <p>HSE (CRD)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pesticide residue monitoring and enforcement <p>RPA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beef labelling for England & Wales 	<p>DARD (on behalf of FSA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hygiene controls primary production • fresh meat, milk production holdings/liquid milk premises, egg production units/packing stations <p>DARD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SRM controls • Overseeing system for certification of organic produce • Beef labelling 	<p>SG RD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beef labelling 	<p>Local authorities in England and Wales</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official controls and enforcement of the main body of food law, including imported food controls (all food law except that enforced by the central Departments and their Agencies) 	<p>Local authorities in Scotland</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official controls and enforcement of the main body of food law, including imported food controls (all food law except that enforced by the central Departments and their Agencies) • AHDH/DARD role - hygiene controls at milk production holdings 	<p>District Councils in Northern Ireland</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official controls and enforcement of the main body of food law (all food law except that enforced by DARD)

Figure 2 - Division of responsibility for official feed controls - at a glance

**ABBREVIATIONS**

AHDH - Animal Health Dairy Hygiene	RA - Welsh Assembly Government Department, for Rural Affairs
AHEM - Animal Health Egg Marketing	RASFF - Rapid Alert System for Feed and Food
CRD - Chemical Regulations Directorate (agency of HSE)	RPA - Rural Payments Agency
DARD - Department for Agriculture and Rural Development for Northern Ireland	SG RD - Scottish Government Rural Directorate
Defra - Department for Environment Food and Rural Affairs	SGRPID - Scottish Government Rural Payments and Inspections Directorate
DH - Department of Health	SRM - Specified Risk Material
FSA - Food Standards Agency	TSE - Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies
HSE - Health and Safety Executive	VMD - Veterinary Medicines Directorate