

CTSI Professional Competency Framework (CPCF) written examination

Unit 4: FOOD

September 2022

Guidance for this examination

Please ensure that you indicate clearly, at the top of the answer booklet, the law viewpoint from which you will be answering: English, Scottish or Welsh.

The examiners may expect candidates to show knowledge of legislation which is in place but not in force (i.e. has been enacted) and regulations which have been made but are not yet in force, if they are directly relevant to the subject-matter of the examination.

Examination structure

There are two sections to the examination paper:

Section A Consists of six questions.
Candidates should attempt to answer four questions.
Total allocation of marks is 40 marks.
Suggested time allocation is 30 minutes.

Section B Consists of four questions.
Candidates should attempt to answer two questions.
Total allocation of marks is 60 marks.
Suggested time allocation is 60 minutes.

Total time allowed – one hour 30 minutes (plus ten minutes' reading time).

Note:

The Food paper is a **closed book**; no materials are permitted to be taken into the examination room.

*The examination paper has **three** pages, including this front sheet.*

Exam: Unit 4: Food

Exam cycle: September 2022

Date: 13 September 2022

Reading time: 10 minutes

Time: 14:00 – 15:30

Max: 100 marks

Section A

Candidates should attempt to answer four questions.

Each question carries ten marks.

Total: 40 marks.

1. Describe the requirements under The Retained EU Regulation 1169/2011 Food Information Regulation for the labelling of beverages with high caffeine content, or foods with added caffeine.

(10 marks)

2. Using examples, explain the scope of the terms 'food business' and 'food business operator' under food law.

(10 marks)

3. Explain the provisions of Section 2 of the Food Safety Act 1990 for the extended meaning of sale, etc.

(10 marks)

4. The Kava-kava in Food (England) Regulations 2002 [in Wales, The Kava-kava in Food (Wales) Regulations 2006; in Scotland, The Kava-kava in Food (Scotland) Regulations 2002] were introduced to control the use of kava-kava as a food.

Explain the powers available to the Secretary of State, under the Food Safety Act 1990, to introduce such regulations for food safety and consumer protection.

(10 marks)

5. Answer both parts:
 - (a) What is a food supplement?

(4 marks)

 - (b) What information must be labelled for a food supplement ready for delivery to the ultimate consumer under Retained EU Regulation 2002/46?

(6 marks)

(total: 10 marks)

6. What is a food contaminant? In explaining your answer, provide four examples of contaminants for which maximum legal levels have been established.

(10 marks)

Section A total of 40 marks.

End of Section A.

Section B
Candidates should attempt to answer two questions.
Each question carries 30 marks.
Total: 60 marks.

7. Answer both parts:

- (a) You receive intelligence that a new wholesaler in your local authority area is selling cans of carbonated soft drinks, imported from the United States of America, that may contain unauthorised additives and excessive levels of authorised additives.

Explain the powers available under the Food Safety Act 1990 and describe, with reasoning, the action you will take.

(20 marks)

- (b) You subsequently confirm that the drinks do contain unauthorised additives and excessive levels of authorised additives. What action can you take to ensure product compliance?

(10 marks)

(total: 30 marks)

8. You have been asked by your manager to provide a briefing, for the management team, on food hygiene at primary production. This should explain the scope of primary production, the areas to be inspected and the factors to consider for determining the level of interventions.

(30 marks)

9. Food labelling requirements ensure that consumers with food allergies can make informed decisions about the food they eat. Discuss this statement.

(30 marks)

10. Discuss how the controls on food additives and labelling for additives in pre-packed food ensure food safety and consumer choice.

(30 marks)

Section B total of 60 marks.

END OF EXAMINATION PAPER.