



GMO Regulations in Georgia

Regulation in Georgia

- ▶ GMOs/LMOs are regulated by the law on “Living Modified Organism”;

Aim of the law:

- ▶ Protect environment and human health from negative impact of GMO/LMO;
- ▶ To allow the access to the information regarding living modified organisms and ensure the participation involvement;
- ▶ Create legal basis for scientific research on GMO;
- ▶ Declare Georgia as GMO free territory.





Law regulation area

- ▶ Contained use of GMO;
- ▶ Introduction onto the environment; allowance on market;
- ▶ transport and transboundary movement.

The law doesn't extend:

- ▶ On the GMO products
- ▶ On the medicine which can contain or contains GMOs.

License for the contained use of GMO

- ▶ License is issued by the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources Protection of Georgia
- ▶ Request for license – necessary documentation
- ▶ Terms
- ▶ Import: not more than 5 kg of the same type of living modified organism





Transboundary movement of living modified organisms

- ▶ Written notification for the ministry
 - ▶ Transit
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Terms for transporting GMO/LMOs

- ▶ Decree of the Government of Georgia on “terms of safety, labeling, packaging and identification for transportation of GMO on the territory of Georgia” ;
- ▶ What documents should be together with GMO while its transportation:
 - Document clarifying that it's the GMO;
 - Concrete futures of the GMO and it's species;
 - Contact information of the importer and exporter;
 - Exact address of final destination.

Information sharing and accessibility for the society and their participation in decision making

- ▶ Accessibility on the information regarding living modified organisms are ensured by the legislation of Georgia and international agreements and treaties.



Control and supervision on living modified organisms

- ▶ Costume service of Georgia;
- ▶ Environmental Supervision Department;
- ▶ Penalty for breaking the law is determined by the legislation of Georgia.

Thank you

