

International Regulatory Compliance

You operate as part of a global supply chain. In a growing global market. Issues that require your attention can happen anywhere, at any time.

Our international reach helps clients quickly respond to regulatory issues that transcend national borders. Our globally positioned lawyers and regulatory affairs specialists provide clients with counseling, document drafting and representation, and regulatory compliance. They also closely monitor developments in the European Commission, Council, and Parliament as well as initiatives of member country lawmakers and regulators.

We keep clients up to the minute on food safety law developments and new requirements for labeling and traceability of foods and food components derived from biotechnology.

Through this constant watch and the experience of our lawyers, which include the former EU ambassador to the United States, as well as a former U.S. trade representative and former secretary of the USDA, we act quickly when a client needs representation or advice regarding international food safety legislation.

Although much of our international work necessarily focuses on the EU, Canada, and Mexico, our lawyers and offices throughout the world are accustomed to providing similar counsel in Japan, China, Brazil, and Argentina.

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Practices

Food Law

Crisis Leadership Team

Representative experience

Advised the U.S. poultry industry during successful negotiation of a U.S.-Russia agreement on market access for U.S. chicken.

Convinced the Japanese government to conduct a science-based review of a proposed feed additive regulation and to not restrict imports of U.S. meat products treated with antibiotic feed additives.

Succeeded in persuading the U.S. International Trade Commission that imports of greenhouse tomatoes from Canada were not causing or threatening material injury to the U.S. industry.

Advise leading U.S. and international food companies on cutting-edge trade issues, including U.S. sugar and peanut quotas, dairy trade, U.S. imports of milk protein concentrate, biotechnology regulation, etc.

Latest thinking and events

Hogan Lovells Publications

The Regulatory Impact Analysis and the draft amendment of the Official Mexican Standard “General Labelling Specifications for Pre-packaged Foods and Non-Alcoholic Beverages”

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Regulation of cannabis in Italy: Use in food and cosmetics

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Approval of amendments to the General Health Law concerning front labeling of food and non-alcoholic beverages

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FDA Finalizes Guidance on How to Determine Whether a Company Meets the “Small Business” Definition under the FSMA Preventive Controls Regulations

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Germany: New guidelines for designating vegan and vegetarian products with meat related terms

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Brexit snapshot: Food & Beverage