Biotechnology Guidance and Resources

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Permits

Guides and Resources with Pending Revisions

- Guide for Submitting Confidential Business Information (315.59 KB)
- Permit User Guide (948.53 KB)
- BRS Permitting Assistant User Guide
- Guide to Submitting Data for Reports and Notices in APHIS eFile (892.55 KB)
    - Response to Comments for Guide to Submitting Reports and Notices
- DRAFT Guide for Submitting Permit Applications for Microorganisms
    - Response to Comments
- SOP Template for APHIS BRS Plant Permits
- SOP Template for APHIS BRS Modified Microbe Movement Permits

Additional Guides and Resources:

- Additional Regulatory Requirements for Authorizations (208.15 KB)
- APHIS eFile Training Resources
- BRS User’s Guide: General Document Preparation Guidelines for Submission to BRS

- Minimum Separation Distances to be used for Confined Field Tests of Certain Genetically Engineered Plants
- APHIS Recommendations for Best Management Practices for Authorized Field Trials of Regulated Herbicide-Resistant Crops
- List of Petunia Varieties

Download all BRS Permits and Notifications Data

- Download all BRS Permit and Notification data from APHIS eFile in csv file (2.01 MB)
- Download all BRS Permit and Notification data from ePermits in csv file (14.79 MB)

Paper Application

APHIS Form 2000 (67.52 KB)
Mail to: APHIS Biotechnology Regulatory Services, Permit Staff
4700 River Road, Unit 78
Riverdale, MD 20737

Apply Online

Notifications

- Notification Guide (686.74 KB)
- Guide for Submitting Confidential Business Information (315.59 KB)

Petitions

- Petition User Guide (194.58 KB)
- Guidance on Requests for Extensions of Non-Regulated Status (162.89 KB)
- Guide for Submitting Confidential Business Information (315.59 KB)

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Am I Regulated

- Am I Regulated (AIR) Process Guide for Submission of AIR Inquiries (165.96 KB) (165.96 KB)
- Am I Regulated Letters of Inquiry Table

- BRS User’s Guide: General Document Preparation Guidelines for Submission to BRS (150.13 KB) (150.13 KB)
- Guide for Submitting Confidential Business Information (315.59 KB) (315.59 KB)
- Questions and Answers (143.59 KB) (143.59 KB)

Suspended Processes

Exemptions and Confirmations

The regulations enabling the Exemptions and Confirmations process were vacated on Dec. 2, 2024, by a court order. Responses to confirmation requests issued before Dec. 2, 2024, remain valid.

- Table of Confirmation Letters
- Plant-Trait-Mechanism of Action (MOA) Table

Regulatory Status Reviews

The regulations enabling the Regulatory Status Review process were vacated on Dec. 2, 2024, by a court order. Responses to Regulatory Status Reviews issued before Dec. 2, 2024, remain valid.

- Table of Regulatory Status Reviews

Questions and Answers

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