



## **Requirements to Sell, Manufacture or Commercialize Transgenics, Insecticides, Pesticides, Herbicides and Rodenticides**

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- 1. Is permission required from the government in order to plant, commercialize, import or export products that have been genetically modified or engineered ("GMOs")?**

In order to plant, commercialize, import and/or export GMOs, permission is required to authorize these transgenic events, first it needs to be filed with the Biodiversity Committee which emits a resolution for its approval, this committee is part of the Vice Ministry of Environment, Biodiversity, and Forest Resources, and is dependent of the Ministry of Rural Development, Farming and Environment.

- 2. Is local presence required in order to be considered a duly registered distributor where the GMO is going to be imported and sold?**

All natural persons and legal entities need to accredit their legal capacity and status and also need to be duly registered in order to perform distribution activities.

- 3. Which governmental authorities are involved in the determination of the regulations involving GMOs (for example, food and agriculture, environmental, health, safety)?**

Vice Ministry of Biodiversity, Environment and Forest Resource is in charge of the regulations concerning GMOs, and the Biodiversity Committee is in charge of receiving, evaluating and resolving the filings of transgenic events.

- 4. Are local performance and/or environmental safety studies required to obtain the permit to plant, commercialize, import or export GMOs, or are studies carried out in the country of origin of the GMO where it has already been certified, valid or accepted?**

In order to obtain a permit to plant, commercialize, import or export GMOs, they must come accompanied with the proper study and report from the country of origin and local authorities confirm in a local laboratory the authenticity of the technical report.

- 5. Does the permission granted by the Government authorize the consumption of GMOs by human beings? Are there specific rules for the consumption of GMOs?**

Permission for the human consumption of GMOs, is granted by the National Institute of Occupational Health (INSO), the Ministry of Health and the National Service of Farming Health and Nourishing (SENASAG), the latter is in charge of the registry of products.

- 6. Is governmental permission required for foreign companies to commercialize, import or export pesticides, insecticides, rodenticides and/or their consumables?**

All natural persons and legal entities need to accredit their legal capacity and status and need to be duly registered in order to perform distribution activities. They must obtain from SENASAG the due authorizations to import and commercialize GMOs for each individual product. Products for human consumption are not authorized by INSO.

- 7. Is local presence required in order to be a registered or authorized distributor where the pesticides, insecticides, rodenticides and/or their consumables are going to be imported and sold?**

Same as above.

- 8. Which governmental authorities are involved in the determination of the environmental health and safety of pesticides, insecticides, rodenticides?**

SENASAG, INSO and the Ministry of Health.

- 9. Are local performance and/or environmental safety studies required to obtain the authorization to market pesticides, plaguicides, rodenticides, insecticides, or are studies carried out in the country of origin of the products, valid or accepted?**

All products must come accompanied with the proper study and report from the country of origin and local authorities must confirm in a laboratories of their choice the authenticity of the technical report.

- 10. Is a prescription by a qualified professional required in the herbicides commercialization? If the answer is "YES", what is the professional that grants such prescription?**

A prescription from a qualified professional is not required to commercialize herbicides.