Biotechnology Contacts

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BRS Organization Chart

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Not sure who to contact? We can help!

Select an option from the list below.

I want to...

- get help using APHIS eFile to apply for a biotechnology permit
- ask about the biotechnology permit process or requirements, or check on the status of a biotechnology permit application
- ask a question about regulatory requirements for modified microorganisms
- obtain a “Letter of No Permit Required”
- ask about the inspection process, report a compliance incident, or submit a required report
- ask general questions about the regulation of modified plants, plant pests, or biocontrol organisms
- obtain a permit or ask questions about importing, exporting, or licensing animal products or biologics

- obtain a permit or ask questions about plants, plant products, or plant pests that are not modified using genetic engineering
- contact BRS headquarters

APHIS eFile

Contact the BRS eFile support staff if you're a biotechnology permit applicant and have questions about using the APHIS eFile system.

BRS Support Staff

Email: brs.efile@usda.gov

Phone: 301-851-3877

Hours of Operation:

9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Eastern Time

Biotechnology Permit and Notification Status

Contact us to ask about the permitting and notification processes for importation, interstate movement, or environmental release of modified organisms or to check on the status of your permit application or request labels.

BRS Permits Staff

Email: brspermits@usda.gov

Phone: 301-851-3951

Alt-Phone: 301-851-3874

Modified Microorganism Permitting Requirements

Contact us if you have questions about whether your modified microorganism requires a BRS permit.

Biotech Microbes

Email: biotechmicrobes@usda.gov

Letter of No Permit Required

Contact us to request a "Letter of No Permit Required."

BRS Letter of No Permit Required

Email: brsnopermitrequired@usda.gov

Compliance Questions, Incident Reporting, and Report Submission

Contact us to learn about the compliance and inspection process, report a compliance incident, or submit a required report.

BRS Compliance

Email: brscompliance@usda.gov

Phone: 301-851-3935

Fax: 301-734-8910

Am I Regulated

Contact us if you want to learn whether your modified organism meets the definition of a regulated article as described in 7 CFR part 340 (2019).

Am I Regulated

Email: AIRinquiry@usda.gov

Regulation of Modified Organisms

Contact us if you have general questions about APHIS' regulation of biotechnology plants or plant pests.

Regulation of Modified Organisms

Email: biotechquery@usda.gov

All Animal Products and Veterinary Biologics

Contact APHIS Veterinary Services for importing, exporting, or licensing animal products or biologics (including those that are genetically modified).

For general requests, such as permit applications and import requirements:

Animal Product Import and Export Team

Email: apie@usda.gov

Phone: 301-851-3300

Note:

Email is preferred.

For CVB-related questions, including policy, evaluation, and licensing as well as inspection and compliance:

Center for Veterinary Biologics

Email: cvb@usda.gov

Phone: 515-337-6100

To report an adverse event:

- USDA Adverse Event Reporting

Mailing Address:

1920 Dayton Ave.

P.O. Box 844

Ames, IA 50010

To report an adverse event:

- USDA Adverse Event Reporting

Plants and Plant Products That Are Not Modified Using Genetic Engineering

Contact APHIS Plant Protection and Quarantine if you have questions about plants, plant products, or plant pests that are not genetically modified.

For general questions:

Plant Permits Team

Email: plantproducts.permits@usda.gov

Phone: 877-770-5990

For questions about CITES (endangered plant species)

CITES Team

Phone: 301-851-2347

For questions about permits for regulated organisms and soil:

Pest Permits Team

Email: pest.permits@usda.gov

Phone: 301-851-2285

Alt-Phone: 866-524-5421

Biotechnology Regulatory Services Headquarters

Contact the BRS main office for general questions or information.

APHIS BRS Headquarters

Phone: 301-851-3877

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