

## Appendix 2 - Food Hygiene Rating Scheme (FHRS) 2023

As of 1 April 2023, there were 3606 food businesses operating within the Belfast City Council area; of these businesses approximately 3138 premises were included within the scope of the FHRS. Regulation 3 of the Food Hygiene Rating Regulations (2016) details the categories of establishments that are exempt and/or excluded from the scheme but still require an intervention:

- An establishment where the sale of food is not the primary activity and where the only food sold is shelf stable at ambient temperatures and delivered prepacked and remains sealed at all times e.g., chemist.
- Off licences selling food which is shelf stable at ambient temperatures and delivered prepacked and remains sealed at all times
- An establishment providing caring services but also used as a private dwelling e.g., childminder.
- Food manufacturing, packing, import or distribution premises that do not directly serve the public.

The table below represents a snapshot of the status of premises within the scope of the FHRS at a given point in time (9 May 2023).

Further information is available on the website at

<http://ratings.food.gov.uk/authority-search-landing/en-GB/807>

Hygiene Rating	Number of Premises	Percentage %
5 - Very good	2125	68%
4 - Good	514	16%
3 - Generally satisfactory	167	5%
2 - Improvement required	30	1%
1 - Major improvement required	22	0.6%
0 - Urgent improvement required	1	<0%
<b>Establishments with rating of 3 or better i.e., broadly compliant</b>	<b>2806</b>	<b>89%</b>