



## **Gene Technology Amendment (2019 Measures No. 1) Regulations 2019**

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I, General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Ret'd), Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, make the following regulations.

Dated 04 April 2019

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## 1 Name

This instrument is the *Gene Technology Amendment (2019 Measures No. 1) Regulations 2019*.

## 2 Commencement

- (1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

Commencement information		
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provisions	Commencement	Date/Details
1. Sections 1 to 4 and anything in this instrument not elsewhere covered by this table	The day after this instrument is registered.	9 April 2019
2. Schedule 1	The day after the end of the period of 6 months beginning on the day this instrument is registered.	8 October 2019
3. Schedule 2	1 July 2020.	1 July 2020
4. Schedule 3	The day after the end of the period of 18 months beginning on the day this instrument is registered.	8 October 2020

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

- (2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

## 3 Authority

This instrument is made under the *Gene Technology Act 2000*.

## 4 Schedules

Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

## Schedule 1—Amendments commencing 6 months after registration

### *Gene Technology Regulations 2001*

#### **1 Regulation 3 (definition of *characterised*)**

Repeal the definition, substitute:

*characterised* means:

- (a) in relation to a nucleic acid—the nucleic acid has been sequenced and there is an understanding of potential gene products or potential functions of the nucleic acid; or
- (b) in relation to a genetic modification—the gene or genomic region which is modified has been sequenced and there is an understanding of:
  - (i) potential gene products or potential functions of the gene or genomic region; and
  - (ii) the likely effect of the genetic modification on the gene products or functions.

#### **2 Regulation 3**

Insert:

*host/vector system* has a meaning affected by subclause 2.1(3) of Schedule 2.

#### **3 Regulation 3 (definition of *non-vector system*)**

Repeal the definition, substitute:

*non-vector system* has the meaning given in Part 3 of Schedule 2.

#### **4 Regulation 3 (definition of *toxin-producing organism*)**

Omit “100 µg/kg”, substitute “100 micrograms per kilogram”.

#### **5 Regulation 3 (note)**

Omit “• GM product”.

#### **6 Regulation 4**

Omit “section 10”, substitute “subsection 10(1)”.

#### **7 After regulation 4**

Insert:

#### **4A Organisms that are genetically modified organisms**

For the purposes of paragraph (c) of the definition of *genetically modified organism* in subsection 10(1) of the Act, an organism is a genetically modified organism if an item in Schedule 1B applies to the organism.

#### **8 Regulation 5**

Repeal the regulation, substitute:

## **5 Organisms that are not genetically modified organisms**

For the purposes of paragraph (e) of the definition of *genetically modified organism* in subsection 10(1) of the Act, an organism is not a genetically modified organism if:

- (a) one or more items in Schedule 1 applies to the organism; and
- (b) the organism has not been modified by gene technology except for any modifications described in those items; and
- (c) the organism has not inherited any traits from an organism (the *initial organism*), being traits that occurred in the initial organism because of gene technology, except as described in item 9 in Schedule 1; and
- (d) none of the items in Schedule 1B applies to the organism.

## **9 Paragraph 9(f)**

Repeal the paragraph, substitute:

- (f) that part of the Department known as the Therapeutic Goods Administration.

## **10 Paragraph 12(1)(a)**

Repeal the paragraph, substitute:

- (a) it is a dealing of a kind mentioned in Part 1 or 2 of Schedule 3; and
- (aa) it is not a dealing of a kind mentioned in Part 3 of Schedule 3; and

## **11 Paragraph 13(1)(d)**

Repeal the paragraph, substitute:

- (d) the dealing is only undertaken no later than the day 5 years after the date of the assessment; and

## **12 Paragraph 13(1)(e)**

After “is mentioned in”, insert “, or is in a class of persons mentioned in,”.

## **13 Paragraph 13(1)(f)**

Repeal the paragraph, substitute:

- (f) subject to subregulation (3), the dealing is undertaken in facilities that:
  - (i) are mentioned in, or are in a class of facilities mentioned in, the Institutional Biosafety Committee’s record of assessment as being appropriate for the dealing; and
  - (ii) are facilities in which subregulation (2) permits the dealing to be undertaken; and

## **14 Paragraph 13(1)(h)**

Omit “dealing; and”, substitute “dealing.”.

## **15 Paragraph 13(1)(i)**

Repeal the paragraph.

## **16 Subregulation 13(1) (note)**

Repeal the note.

### **17 Paragraph 13(2)(b)**

Repeal the paragraph, substitute:

- (b) for a kind of dealing mentioned in clause 2.1 of Schedule 3 (but not clause 2.2)—in a facility certified by the Regulator to at least physical containment level 2 and that is appropriate for the dealing; or
- (ba) for a kind of dealing mentioned in clause 2.2 of Schedule 3—in a facility certified by the Regulator to at least physical containment level 3 and that is appropriate for the dealing; or

### **18 Subregulation 13(3)**

Repeal the subregulation, substitute:

- (3) If a notifiable low risk dealing involves the transportation, storage or disposal of a GMO, the transportation, storage or disposal may happen outside a facility that complies with paragraph (1)(f) and subregulation (2), if it is conducted in accordance with:
  - (a) the *Guidelines for the Transport, Storage and Disposal of GMOs*, as in force from time to time, that have been issued by the Regulator under paragraph 27(d) of the Act; or
  - (b) transportation, storage or disposal requirements that the Regulator has agreed in writing are appropriate for the containment of the GMO.

### **19 Regulation 13A**

Repeal the regulation.

### **20 Subregulation 21(2) (note)**

Omit all the words after “section 27B of that Act”.

### **21 Paragraph 26(1)(b)**

Omit “to whom paragraph 100(7A)(a) or (b) of the Act applies”, substitute “who is also a member of the Ethics and Community Committee”.

### **22 Paragraph 32(c)**

Repeal the paragraph, substitute:

- (c) the reference in paragraph 26(1)(b) to the Ethics and Community Committee were a reference to the Gene Technology Technical Advisory Committee or the Australian Health Ethics Committee; and

### **23 After Part 7**

Insert:



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## **Part 8—Application and transitional provisions**

### **Division 1—Amendments made by the Gene Technology Amendment (2019 Measures No. 1) Regulations 2019**

#### **41 Changed requirements for dealings**

##### *Former exempt dealings*

- (1) If:
- (a) a person was undertaking a dealing before the amending day; and
  - (b) the dealing was an exempt dealing under the old Regulations; and
  - (c) the dealing is not (apart from this provision) an exempt dealing under the new Regulations;
- then, despite the amendments, the dealing is an exempt dealing when undertaken by the person.
- (2) Subregulation (1) applies until:
- (a) the dealing is assessed, under the new Regulations, as a notifiable low risk dealing by an Institutional Biosafety Committee; or
  - (b) the person is issued a GMO licence for the dealing; or
  - (c) 1 year after the amending day if neither of the events in paragraphs (a) and (b) occurs before then.

##### *Former notifiable low risk dealings*

- (3) If:
- (a) a person was undertaking a dealing before the amending day; and
  - (b) the dealing was a notifiable low risk dealing under the old Regulations; and
  - (c) the dealing:
    - (i) is not (apart from this provision) a notifiable low risk dealing under the new Regulations; and
    - (ii) is not an exempt dealing;
- then, despite the amendments, the dealing is a notifiable low risk dealing when undertaken by the person.
- (4) Subregulation (3) applies until:
- (a) the person is issued a GMO licence for the dealing; or
  - (b) 1 year after the amending day if the person is not issued a GMO licence before then.

##### *Changed requirements for notifiable low risk dealings*

- (5) If a person was undertaking a notifiable low risk dealing before the amending day, the dealing is, for the purposes of section 37 of the Act, undertaken in accordance with the regulations if:
- (a) it is undertaken in accordance with the old Regulations; or
  - (b) it is undertaken in accordance with the new Regulations.
- (6) Subregulation (5) ceases to be in force 1 year after the amending day.

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*Definitions*

(7) In this regulation:

**amending day** means the day that Schedule 1 to the amending Regulations commences.

**amending Regulations** means the *Gene Technology Amendment (2019 Measures No. 1) Regulations 2019*.

**new Regulations** means these Regulations as amended by the amending Regulations.

**old Regulations** means these Regulations as in force immediately before the amending day.

**24 Schedule 1A (at the end of the table)**

Add:

- 11 Introduction of RNA into an organism, if:
- (a) the RNA cannot be translated into a polypeptide; and
  - (b) the introduction of the RNA cannot result in an alteration of the organism's genome sequence; and
  - (c) the introduction of the RNA cannot give rise to an infectious agent.

**25 After Schedule 1A**

Insert:

**Schedule 1B—Organisms that are genetically modified organisms**

Note: See regulation 4A.

**1.1 Genetically modified organisms**

For the purposes of regulation 4A, an organism is a genetically modified organism if an item in the following table applies to the organism.

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**Organisms that are genetically modified organisms**

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**Item Description of organism**

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| 1 | An organism that has had its genome modified by oligonucleotide-directed mutagenesis   |
| 2 | An organism modified by repair of single-strand or double-strand breaks of genomic DNA induced by a site-directed nuclease, if a nucleic acid template was added to guide homology-directed repair |
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**26 Schedule 1 (after table item 3)**

Insert:

- 4 An organism modified by repair of single-strand or double-strand breaks of genomic DNA induced by a site-directed nuclease, if a nucleic acid template was not added to guide homology-directed repair.

**27 Schedule 1 (at the end of the table)**

Add:

8	An organism that is descended from a genetically modified organism (the <i>initial organism</i> ), if none of the traits it has inherited from the initial organism are traits that occurred in the initial organism because of gene technology.
9	An organism that has inherited particular traits from an organism (the <i>initial organism</i> ), being traits that occurred in the initial organism because of gene technology, if: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the initial organism was not a genetically modified organism (because of the application of regulation 5); or</li> <li>(b) all such inherited traits are traits that occurred in the initial organism as a result of a modification described in an item in this Schedule.</li> </ul>
10	An organism that was modified by gene technology but in which the modification, and any traits that occurred because of gene technology, are no longer present.
11	<i>Agrobacterium radiobacter</i> strain K1026.
12	<i>Pasteurella multocida</i> strain PMP1.

**28 Part 1 of Schedule 2 (table item 4, column headed “Description of dealing”, subparagraph (2)(a)(ii))**

Omit “harm;”, substitute “harm; and”.

**29 Part 1 of Schedule 2 (table item 4, column headed “Description of dealing”, example)**

Omit “transmissibility; and”, substitute “transmissibility.”.

**30 Part 1 of Schedule 2 (table item 4, column headed “Description of dealing”, paragraphs (2)(b) and (c))**

Omit “100 µg/kg”, substitute “100 micrograms per kilogram”.

**31 Part 1 of Schedule 2 (table item 4, column headed “Description of dealing”, paragraph (2)(e))**

Repeal the paragraph, substitute:

- (e) if the donor nucleic acid includes a viral sequence—cannot give rise to infectious agents when introduced into any potential host species, without additional non-host genes or gene products that:
  - (i) are not available in the host cell into which the nucleic acid is introduced as part of the dealing; and
  - (ii) will not become available during the dealing; and
- (f) if the donor nucleic acid includes a viral sequence—cannot restore replication competence to the vector.

**32 Part 1 of Schedule 2 (table item 5, column headed “Description of dealing”)**

Omit “item 1 of”, substitute “items 1 to 6 of the table in”.

**33 Part 2 of Schedule 2**

Repeal the Part, substitute:

## Part 2—Host/vector systems for exempt dealings

### 2.1 Hosts and vectors

- (1) A reference to a host mentioned in this Part is a reference to a host mentioned in column 2 of an item of the table in this clause.
- (2) A reference to a vector mentioned in this Part is a reference to a vector mentioned in column 3 of an item of the table in this clause.
- (3) A reference to a **host/vector system** mentioned in this Part is a reference to any of the following:
  - (a) a system involving a host mentioned in column 2 of an item of the table in this clause and a vector mentioned in column 3 of the same item;
  - (b) a non-vector system involving a host mentioned in column 2 of an item of the table;
  - (c) a system involving a GMO mentioned as a vector in column 3 of an item of the table (except item 7), without a host.

Note: Column 1 of the table is included for information only.

<b>Hosts and vectors</b>			
<b>Item</b>	<b>Column 1 Host class</b>	<b>Column 2 Hosts</b>	<b>Column 3 Vectors</b>
1	Bacteria	<i>Escherichia coli</i> K12, <i>E. coli</i> B, <i>E. coli</i> C or <i>E. coli</i> Nissle 1917—any derivative that does not contain: (a) generalised transducing phages; or (b) genes able to complement the conjugation defect in a non-conjugative plasmid	Any of the following: (a) non-conjugative plasmids; (b) lambda bacteriophage; (c) lambdoid bacteriophage; (d) Fd, F1 or M13 bacteriophage
2	Bacteria	<i>Bacillus</i> —asporogenic strains of the following species with a reversion frequency of less than $10^{-7}$ : (a) <i>B. amyloliquefaciens</i> ; (b) <i>B. licheniformis</i> ; (c) <i>B. pumilus</i> ; (d) <i>B. subtilis</i> ; (e) <i>B. thuringiensis</i>	Any of the following: (a) non-conjugative plasmids; (b) other plasmids and phages whose host range does not include <i>B. cereus</i> , <i>B. anthracis</i> or any other pathogenic strain of <i>Bacillus</i>
3	Bacteria	<i>Pseudomonas putida</i> strain KT2440	Non-conjugative plasmids
4	Bacteria	The following <i>Streptomyces</i> species: (a) <i>S. aureofaciens</i> ; (b) <i>S. coelicolor</i> ; (c) <i>S. cyaneus</i> ; (d) <i>S. griseus</i> ; (e) <i>S. lividans</i> ; (f) <i>S. parvulus</i> ; (g) <i>S. rimosus</i> ; (h) <i>S. venezuelae</i>	Any of the following: (a) non-conjugative plasmids; (b) plasmids SCP2, SLP1, SLP2, pIJ101 and derivatives; (c) actinophage phi C31 and derivatives
5	Bacteria	Any of the following:	Disarmed Ri or Ti plasmids

<b>Hosts and vectors</b>			
<b>Item</b>	<b>Column 1 Host class</b>	<b>Column 2 Hosts</b>	<b>Column 3 Vectors</b>
		(a) <i>Agrobacterium radiobacter</i> ; (b) <i>Agrobacterium rhizogenes</i> (disarmed strains only); (c) <i>Agrobacterium tumefaciens</i> (disarmed strains only)	
6	Bacteria	Any of the following: (a) <i>Allorhizobium</i> species; (b) <i>Corynebacterium glutamicum</i> ; (c) <i>Lactobacillus</i> species; (d) <i>Lactococcus lactis</i> ; (e) <i>Oenococcus oeni</i> syn. <i>Leuconostoc oeni</i> ; (f) <i>Pediococcus</i> species; (g) <i>Photobacterium angustum</i> ; (h) <i>Pseudoalteromonas tunicata</i> ; (i) <i>Rhizobium</i> species; (j) <i>Sphingopyxis alaskensis</i> syn. <i>Sphingomonas alaskensis</i> ; (k) <i>Streptococcus thermophilus</i> ; (l) <i>Synechococcus</i> species strains PCC 7002, PCC 7942 and WH 8102; (m) <i>Synechocystis</i> species strain PCC 6803; (n) <i>Vibrio cholerae</i> CVD103-HgR; (o) <i>Zymomonas mobilis</i>	Non-conjugative plasmids
7	Fungi	Any of the following: (a) <i>Kluyveromyces lactis</i> ; (b) <i>Neurospora crassa</i> (laboratory strains); (c) <i>Pichia pastoris</i> ; (d) <i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i> ; (e) <i>Schizosaccharomyces pombe</i> ; (f) <i>Trichoderma reesei</i> ; (g) <i>Yarrowia lipolytica</i>	All vectors
8	Slime moulds	<i>Dictyostelium</i> species	<i>Dictyostelium</i> shuttle vectors, including those based on the endogenous plasmids Ddp1 and Ddp2
9	Tissue culture	Any of the following if they cannot spontaneously generate a whole animal: (a) animal or human cell cultures (including packaging cell lines); (b) isolated cells, isolated tissues or isolated organs, whether animal or human; (c) early non-human mammalian embryos cultured <i>in vitro</i>	Any of the following: (a) plasmids; (b) replication defective viral vectors unable to transduce human cells; (c) polyhedrin minus forms of the baculovirus <i>Autographa californica</i> nuclear polyhedrosis virus (ACNPV)
10	Tissue culture	Either of the following if they are not intended, and are not likely without human	Any of the following: (a) Disarmed Ri or Ti plasmids

<b>Hosts and vectors</b>			
<b>Item</b>	<b>Column 1 Host class</b>	<b>Column 2 Hosts</b>	<b>Column 3 Vectors</b>
		intervention, to vegetatively propagate, flower or regenerate into a whole plant: (a) plant cell cultures; (b) isolated plant tissues or organs	in <i>Agrobacterium radiobacter</i> , <i>Agrobacterium rhizogenes</i> (disarmed strains only) or <i>Agrobacterium tumefaciens</i> (disarmed strains only);  (b) non-pathogenic viral vectors

### 34 Clause 1.1 of Schedule 3

Omit “13(3)(b)”, substitute “subregulation 13(3)”.

### 35 Paragraph 1.1(c) of Schedule 3

Repeal the paragraph, substitute:

- (c) a dealing involving virions of a replication defective vector derived from *Human adenovirus* or from *Adeno-associated virus*, either without a host or with a host mentioned in item 9 of Part 2 of Schedule 2, if the donor nucleic acid:
- (i) cannot restore replication competence to the vector; and
  - (ii) does not confer an oncogenic modification or immunomodulatory effect in humans.

### 36 Clause 2.1 of Schedule 3

Omit “13(3)(b)”, substitute “subregulation 13(3)”.

### 37 Paragraph 2.1(d) of Schedule 3

Omit “host and vector not mentioned as a host/vector system”, substitute “host/vector system not mentioned”.

### 38 Subparagraphs 2.1(d)(ii) and (iii) of Schedule 3

Omit “donor nucleic acid”, substitute “genetic modification”.

### 39 Paragraph 2.1(d) of Schedule 3 (example)

Omit “Donor nucleic acid”, substitute “A genetic modification”.

### 40 Subparagraph 2.1(e)(i) of Schedule 3

Repeal the subparagraph, substitute:

- (i) is characterised, and the characterisation shows that it may increase the capacity of the host or vector to cause harm; or

### 41 Paragraph 2.1(h) of Schedule 3

Omit “item 1 of”, substitute “items 1 to 6 of the table in”.

### 42 Paragraph 2.1(i) of Schedule 3

Omit “the introduction”, substitute “virions”.

### 43 Paragraph 2.1(i) of Schedule 3

Omit “into”, substitute “and”.

**44 Paragraph 2.1(j) of Schedule 3**

Repeal the paragraph, substitute:

- (j) a dealing involving virions of a replication defective non-retroviral vector able to transduce human cells, either without a host or with a host mentioned in Part 2 of Schedule 2, if:
  - (i) the donor nucleic acid cannot restore replication competence to the vector; and
  - (ii) the dealing is not a dealing mentioned in paragraph 1.1(c);

**45 Paragraph 2.1(k) of Schedule 3**

Omit “the introduction”, substitute “virions”.

**46 Paragraph 2.1(k) of Schedule 3**

Omit “into”, substitute “and”.

**47 Subparagraph 2.1(k)(ii) of Schedule 3**

Repeal the subparagraph, substitute:

- (ii) the donor nucleic acid does not confer an oncogenic modification or immunomodulatory effect in humans;

**48 Paragraph 2.1(l) of Schedule 3**

Omit all the words before subparagraph (i), substitute:

- (l) a dealing involving virions of a replication defective retroviral vector able to transduce human cells, either without a host or with a host mentioned in Part 2 of Schedule 2, if:

**49 Subparagraph 2.1(l)(i) of Schedule 3**

Omit “into a virion”, substitute “new virions”.

**50 Paragraph 2.1(m) of Schedule 3**

Omit “the introduction”, substitute “virions”.

**51 Paragraph 2.1(m) of Schedule 3**

Omit “into a host”, substitute “and a host”.

**52 Subparagraph 2.1(m)(i) of Schedule 3**

Repeal the subparagraph, substitute:

- (i) the donor nucleic acids does not confer an oncogenic modification or immunomodulatory effect in humans; and

**53 Subparagraph 2.1(m)(ii) of Schedule 3**

Omit “into a virion”, substitute “new virions”.

**54 Clause 2.2 of Schedule 3**

Repeal the clause, substitute:

**2.2 Kinds of dealing suitable for at least physical containment level 3**

- (1) A kind of dealing that:

- (a) is a kind mentioned in clause 2.1; and
  - (b) involves a micro-organism that satisfies the criteria in AS/NZS 2243.3:2010 for classification as Risk Group 3; must be undertaken, unless paragraph 13(2)(c) or subregulation 13(3) applies, in facilities certified to at least physical containment level 3 and that are appropriate for the dealings.
- (2) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(b), a genetically modified micro-organism is taken to satisfy the criteria in AS/NZS 2243.3:2010 for classification as Risk Group 3 if the unmodified parent micro-organism satisfies those criteria.
- (3) However, subclause (2) does not apply in relation to a replication defective retroviral vector that meets the criteria in paragraph 2.1(l) or (m).

### **55 Part 3 of Schedule 3 (note 2 to Part heading)**

Repeal the note, substitute:

Note 2: If a dealing is not a notifiable low risk dealing, or an exempt dealing, as provided by these Regulations, a person undertaking the dealing must be authorised by a GMO licence unless the dealing is within one of the other exceptions to licensing provided by the Act: see section 32 of the Act.

### **56 Clause 3.1 of Schedule 3**

Before “A dealing”, insert “(1)”.

### **57 Paragraphs 3.1(a) and (b) of Schedule 3**

Omit “100 µg/kg”, substitute “100 micrograms per kilogram”.

### **58 Paragraph 3.1(d) of Schedule 3**

Repeal the paragraph, substitute:

- (d) a dealing involving virions of a replication defective viral vector and a host not mentioned in Part 2 of Schedule 2, if:
  - (i) the donor nucleic acid confers an oncogenic modification or immunomodulatory effect in humans; and
  - (ii) the dealing is not a dealing mentioned in paragraph 2.1(i);

### **59 Paragraph 3.1(e) of Schedule 3**

Omit all the words after “if the”, substitute “genetic modification confers an oncogenic modification or immunomodulatory effect in humans;”.

### **60 Sub-subparagraph 3.1(f)(ii)(B) of Schedule 3**

Omit “donor nucleic acid”, substitute “genetic modification”.

### **61 Subparagraph 3.1(f)(ii) of Schedule 3 (example)**

Omit “Donor nucleic acid”, substitute “A genetic modification”.

### **62 At the end of clause 3.1 of Schedule 3**

Add:

- ; (q) a dealing involving a micro-organism that satisfies the criteria in AS/NZS 2243.3:2010 for classification as Risk Group 3 and that is not undertaken:
  - (i) in a facility that is certified by the Regulator to at least physical containment level 3 and that is appropriate for the dealing; or



- (ii) in a facility that the Regulator has agreed in writing is a facility in which the dealing may be undertaken;
- (r) a dealing involving a GMO capable of sexual reproduction, the sexual progeny of which are, as a result of the genetic modification, more likely to inherit a particular nucleotide sequence or set of nucleotide sequences (when compared to inheritance from the unmodified parent organism);
- (s) a dealing involving a viral vector that can modify an organism capable of sexual reproduction, so that the sexual progeny of the organism are more likely to inherit a particular nucleotide sequence or set of nucleotide sequences (when compared to inheritance from the unmodified parent organism).

Note: A modification that increases the likelihood of inheritance of a nucleotide sequence or sequences, as described in paragraphs (r) and (s), is generally known as an engineered gene drive.

- (2) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(p), a genetically modified micro-organism is taken to satisfy the criteria in AS/NZS 2243.3:2010 for classification as Risk Group 4 if the unmodified parent micro-organism satisfies those criteria.
- (3) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(q), a genetically modified micro-organism is taken to satisfy the criteria in AS/NZS 2243.3:2010 for classification as Risk Group 3 if the unmodified parent micro-organism satisfies those criteria.
- (4) However, subclause (3) does not apply in relation to a replication defective retroviral vector that meets the criteria in paragraph 2.1(l) or (m).

## Schedule 2—Amendments commencing 1 July 2020

### *Gene Technology Regulations 2001*

#### **1 Paragraph 13(1)(b)**

Repeal the paragraph, substitute:

- (b) the Institutional Biosafety Committee has assessed the dealing to be a kind of dealing mentioned in Part 1 or 2 of Schedule 3, and not mentioned in Part 3 of Schedule 3; and

#### **2 Subparagraph 13B(a)(i)**

Omit “proposing to undertake the dealing”, substitute “that submitted the proposal”.

#### **3 Subparagraphs 13B(a)(iii) and (iv)**

Repeal the subparagraphs, substitute:

- (iii) its assessment whether the dealing is a kind of dealing mentioned in Part 1 or 2 of Schedule 3, and not mentioned in Part 3 of Schedule 3;
- (iv) if the Committee has assessed the dealing as being a kind of dealing mentioned in Part 1 or 2 of Schedule 3 (and not mentioned in Part 3 of Schedule 3)—which kind of dealing in those Parts that the dealing is;

#### **4 Subparagraph 13B(a)(vii)**

After “dealing”, insert “, having regard to the requirements of subregulation 13(2)”.

#### **5 Subparagraph 13B(a)(x)**

Omit “the name of the person or accredited organisation”, substitute “the person or persons”.

#### **6 Subregulations 13C(1) and (2)**

Repeal the subregulations, substitute:

- (1) A person or accredited organisation that has been given a copy of a record of assessment by an Institutional Biosafety Committee under paragraph 13B(b) must, if the dealing has been assessed by the Committee as a notifiable low risk dealing, give the Regulator a record of the dealing.
- (2) A record of a dealing for the purposes of subregulation (1) must include:
  - (a) the particulars, prescribed under regulation 39 in relation to the dealing, to be included in the Record of GMO Dealings; and
  - (b) the name of the Committee that assessed the proposal relating to the dealing; and
  - (c) the name of the person or accredited organisation that submitted the proposal to the Committee for assessment.
- (2A) The record must be given to the Regulator:
  - (a) in a form approved by the Regulator; and
  - (b) no later than 30 September in the financial year following the one in which the Institutional Biosafety Committee made the assessment.

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- (2B) An accredited organisation that is required, as a condition of accreditation, to give an annual report to the Regulator, must:
- (a) include the record in the annual report for the year in which the Institutional Biosafety Committee made the assessment; or
  - (b) certify in the annual report that the record has previously been given to the Regulator.

## **7 Subregulation 13C(3)**

After “Institutional Biosafety Committee”, insert “under paragraph 13B(b)”.

## **8 Regulation 39**

Repeal the regulation, substitute:

### **39 Record of GMO Dealings**

For the purposes of subsection 138(4) of the Act, the following particulars are prescribed in relation to a notifiable low risk dealing that is notified to the Regulator:

- (a) the person or persons that proposed to undertake the dealing, as recorded by the Institutional Biosafety Committee that assessed the dealing as a notifiable low risk dealing;
- (b) the kind of notifiable low risk dealing, in terms of Part 1 or 2 of Schedule 3;
- (c) the identifying name given to the dealing by the person or accredited organisation that submitted the dealing to the Institutional Biosafety Committee for assessment;
- (d) the date of assessment by the Institutional Biosafety Committee that the dealing is a notifiable low risk dealing.

## **9 At the end of Division 1 of Part 8**

Add:

### **42 Previous assessment by an Institutional Biosafety Committee**

- (1) This regulation applies if:
  - (a) before 1 July 2020, an Institutional Biosafety Committee assessed a dealing as being a notifiable low risk dealing mentioned in Part 1 or 2 of Schedule 3; and
  - (b) the record of the Committee’s assessment does not indicate that the Committee assessed whether the dealing is of a kind mentioned in Part 3 of Schedule 3.
- (2) The Committee is taken to have assessed the dealing as being a kind of dealing that is not mentioned in Part 3 of Schedule 3.

### **43 New requirements for giving records to Regulator apply to notifiable low risk dealing assessed in previous financial year**

Regulation 13C as amended by Schedule 2 to the *Gene Technology Amendment (2019 Measures No. 1) Regulations 2019* applies in relation to a dealing that has been assessed by an Institutional Biosafety Committee as a notifiable low risk dealing on or after 1 July 2019.

## **Schedule 3—Amendments commencing 18 months after registration**

### *Gene Technology Regulations 2001*

#### **1 Schedule 1 (table item 1)**

Repeal the item.