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## Preliminary remarks on the objectives and proposed use of this document

This briefing paper sets out the **administrative steps** to be followed by insect producers intending to submit an application for **authorisation of an insect/insect product as novel food** within the European Union. It is intended to be used as a practical guide to the EU legislative texts that are applicable to their activities, namely Regulation (EU) 2015/2283 on novel foods and its implementing measures (see section I.1 for further information).

This briefing paper may also serve as guidance for other stakeholders, including all food business operators using insect products (i.e. by incorporating the insect raw material into food preparations) for final sale to consumers.

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