



## GB F-Gas Update 18/05/26

DEFRA have now published their response to the recent F Gas consultation. Their statement is as below;

**Based on an assessment of the 137 consultation responses, we have concluded that further work is required on changes to the HFC phasedown.**

**To give industry clarity ahead of 2027, we confirm that we will not legislate in 2026 to change the phasedown steps from 1 January 2027.**

**For 2027, this means that the relevant HFC phasedown step in Annex 5 of the F gas Regulation will continue to apply.**

**We remain committed to introducing ambitious reform to the HFC phasedown. We intend to publish a report summarising responses and an outline of next steps later this year.**

FETA has made it clear that industry should be aware that under the *existing* GB F-Gas regulation, there is a reduction in the quota value of 7% in January 2027 from 31% to 24% of baseline values. **This represents a 22.6% drop in refrigerant availability.**

Under the *existing* regulation there will be a further 12.5% drop in quota in 2030.

**The RACHP industry should remember that the existing F Gas regulation applies in GB only.**

Northern Ireland comes under the new EU F Gas regulation. This means a drop in quota to 13.1% of baseline in 2027. The product bans under the 2024 EU regulation also apply in NI.