

Revision of permitted substances for use in organic production

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Regulation

[Draft](#) Commission Implementing Regulation authorising certain products and substances for use in organic production and establishing their lists

[Draft](#) Annexes

What is changing and why?

The European Commission proposes to add some new substances to the list that can be used in organic production (see Table 1). In the case of animal production, replacement of the current list of permitted cleaning and disinfection products (Regulation [889/2008](#), Annex VII), which was due at the end of 2023, is now postponed to the end of 2025. And the description of permitted fertilisers covering “composted or fermented mixture of household waste” is widened to include general “composted or fermented biowaste”.

Actions

If you have any comments or concerns about the proposal, you can share them with the [National TBT notification authority](#) of your country until **1 October 2023**.

Timeline

The new rules are expected to apply from **1 January 2024**.

For more information see the [full record](#) on the AGRINFO website – where you can also view the latest [AGRINFO Update](#) newsletters and [search](#) the database.

Tables & Figures

Table 1 Additions to the lists of substances permitted for use in organic production*			
Substance	Category	Notes	
Sodium hydrogen carbonate	Low-risk active substance (Annex I, 2)	Already in Annex I list (1), but now also listed as a “low-risk” substance	
Other low-risk substances from plant or animal origin	Low-risk active substance (Annex I, 2)	Herbicidal uses not allowed	
Selenium	Authorised fertilisers, soil conditioners and nutrients (Annex II)	Only in case of deficiency in the soil used for animal rearing or for the production of feed crops	
Calcium chloride	Authorised products and substances for use as feed or in feed production (Annex III)	To be used as feed materials	
Algal oil			
Propylene glycol; [1,2-propanediol]; [propane-1,2-diol]			
Iron (II) chelate of protein hydrolysates		Compounds of trace elements	
Copper (II) chelate of protein hydrolysates			
Manganese chelates of protein hydrolysates			
Zinc chelate of protein hydrolysates			
Selenised yeast <i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i> CNCM I-3060, inactivated			
Ascorbic acid			Food additives (Annex IV, A)
Lecithins			On animal and plant products, only from organic production
Potassium tartrates, sodium tartrates and potassium sodium tartrates		On plant products (only from organic production from 1 January 2027)	
* For details on specific conditions and limits, see Draft Annexes to the Regulation.			
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