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# Authorisation of genetically modified maize DP51291

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Commission Implementing Decision (EU) <u>2025/1898</u> of 22 September 2025 authorising the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of or produced from genetically modified maize DP51291 pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council (notified under document C(2025) 6319)

#### **Update**

The European Union (EU) has authorised DP51291 as a genetically modified (GM) maize. The authorisation concerns the use of genetically modified organisms (GMOs) in food, food ingredients, feed, and products for any other uses except for cultivation.

### Impacted products

Maize, and derived food and feed products

# What is changing?

The EU has authorised the sale of genetically modified maize DP51291. The authorisation concerns the use of this GM maize in food, food ingredients, feed, and products for any other uses. This maize may not be grown in the European Union.

Feed, and products other than food and food ingredients, that contain this maize must be clearly labelled that it is "not for cultivation".

## Why?

Following a review, the European Food Safety Authority has concluded that GM maize DP51291 is safe under the applicant's proposed conditions of use (EFSA 2024).





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#### **Timeline**

This authorisation is valid for a period of 10 years (until 22 September 2035).

## What are the major implications for exporting countries?

Suppliers of food or feed containing or consisting of this genetically modified maize have long-term legal security for the export of these products to the EU market.

### **Background**

A list of all authorised GM products can be found on the EU Register of authorised GMOs.

The authorisation of GM crops normally requires sufficient support from EU Member States (a <u>qualified majority</u>) to authorise or reject applications. In recent years, there has generally been insufficient support for a decision to either authorise or reject applications. In such cases, as here for GM maize, the European Commission is permitted to authorise these products if EFSA has given a positive risk assessment.

#### Resources

EFSA (2024) <u>Assessment of genetically modified maize DP51291 (application GMFF-2021-0071)</u>, EFSA Journal, 22(11): 9059.

Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 on genetically modified food and feed

Regulation (EC) No <u>1830/2003</u> concerning the traceability and labelling of genetically modified organisms and the traceability of food and feed products produced from genetically modified organisms and amending Directive 2001/18/EC

#### **Sources**

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