



EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR): Clarifications April 2025

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Annex to the Communication to the Commission: Approval of the updated content of a draft Commission Notice on the Guidance Document for Regulation (EU) 2023/1115 on Deforestation-Free Products (C/2024/6789)

<u>Frequently Asked Questions</u>: Implementation of the EU Deforestation Regulation, Version 4 – April 2025 [download]

<u>Draft</u> Commission Delegated Regulation amending Regulation (EU) 2023/1115 as regards the list of relevant commodities and relevant products and Annex [download]

What is changing and why?

To simplify the implementation of the European Union (EU) Deforestation (EUDR, Regulation 2023/1115), the European Commission has published:

- Updated Guidance
- Updated Frequently Asked Questions
- Draft Regulation proposing some simplifications.

These changes and clarifications are a response to issues raised by stakeholders both in the EU and in non-EU countries, and are particularly aimed at reducing the administrative costs for operators and authorities.

Clarifications of particular relevance to agri-food exporters in low- and middle-income countries include:

- requirements in relation to livestock feed
- legality requirements
- the EU's benchmarking of countries according to their deforestation risk
- which products do not fall under the scope of the EUDR (samples exported for testing; products such as babassu oil that fall under customs codes for "palm oil products" but are not made of palm oil).

In May 2025 the Commission adopted Regulation 2025/1093, which classifies countries according to three levels of deforestation risk (low, standard, and high) in relation to the commodities covered by the EUDR: cattle, cocoa, coffee, oil palm, rubber, soya, and wood. For





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more details on the listing of countries and the benchmarking process, see <u>EU Deforestation</u> <u>Regulation: Engagement with non-EU countries</u>.

(Note that AGRINFO does not include information relating specifically to timber and rubber.)

Actions

The EU's Have Your Say consultation closed on 13 May 2025.

Timeline

This Regulation, simplifying some aspects of the EUDR, is likely to be adopted in the second or third quarter of 2025.

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