# EU Health and food audits and analysis programme 2025

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European Commission: Health and food audits and analysis programme – July to December 2025

## What is changing and why?

The European Commission performs "controls" (audits and remote assessments) of European Member States and non-EU countries to ensure they have systems in place to guarantee that food put on the EU market meets EU rules for food safety and plant and animal health.

The Commission has now updated the 2025 audit programme, refining its plans for the second half of the year (July to December) to reflect new priorities.

**Planned audits July to December 2025**

The following audits of non-EU countries are planned for the second half of 2025, each focusing on specific sectors/topics:

- Argentina: poultry meat safety for human consumption
- Brazil: microbiological safety (plant origin) and residues (animal origin)
- China: poultry and rabbit meat safety
- Egypt: pesticide residues in foods of plant origin
- Libya: safety of fishery products
- Morocco: residue control in food of animal origin
- Montenegro: import controls pre-accession to the EU
- Albania: general assessment pre-accession to the EU
- Türkiye: pesticide residues in food of non-animal origin
- Ukraine: residues and contaminants in foods of animal origin.

The audit process involves detailed pre-audit questionnaires, site visits, and reports with recommendations for addressing non-compliances. In addition, the EU uses questionnaires to assess compliance with EU standards, particularly regarding residue control plans.

**Remote assessments**

From July to December, remote assessments of fishery products are planned for five non-EU countries with small exports to the EU (countries to be confirmed). Remote assessments are


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based on comprehensive questionnaires.

Residue control plans in all non-EU exporting countries must be checked at least once every 5 years. The current 5-year cycle ends in 2025, so non-EU countries that have not yet been checked can expect remote assessments this year.

## Actions

Exporting countries must prepare for audits by maintaining detailed and organised records. This means documenting all procedures, controls, and corrective actions taken to meet EU requirements, and collecting clear evidence of system improvements, training logs, health and safety checks, and traceability.

## Timeline

This list of audits covers the period July–December 2025.

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.

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