EU procedure on listing high-risk plants and plant products

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Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2026/1195 as regards the procedure to conduct the listing of high-risk plants, plant products or other objects

What is changing and why?

The European Union (EU) has formalised and standardised how plants and plant products for import into the EU are classified as “high-risk”. Previously the decision-making process did not have a single, clear, and transparent procedure.

Through this new Regulation, the EU is introducing a structured, evidence-based, and more efficient process to identify products that may present an unacceptable phytosanitary risk. Decisions will be based on documented evidence such as interception data, pest presence in exporting countries, trade patterns, and the effectiveness of existing mitigation measures. Listing products as high-risk will be supported by a preliminary assessment carried out by experts from EU Member States, the European Food Safety Authority, and the European Commission.

Timeline

The Regulation applies from **3 September 2026**.

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