

EU–Mercosur Interim Trade Agreement: management of tariff rate quotas

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Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) [2026/996](#) regarding the creation, amendment and management of certain tariff quotas following the Interim Agreement on Trade between the European Union, of the one part, and the Common Market of the South, the Argentine Republic, the Federative Republic of Brazil, the Republic of Paraguay and the Oriental Republic of Uruguay, of the other part

Notice of the European Commission [[2026/874](#)] [Quota Authorisation Certificate]

What is changing and why?

The Interim Trade Agreement (ITA) between the European Union and the Mercosur States (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay), which provisionally applies from 1 May 2026, establishes tariff rate quotas (TRQs) for certain agri-food products.


This Regulation sets out the rules that allow these quotas to be opened and managed. The certificate that must be used to accompany products imported under TRQ arrangements can be found in Notice [2026/874](#).

Timeline

The quotas and the system for managing them apply from **1 May 2026**.


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Table 1 Mercosur quotas subject to import licences		
Tariff rate quota order number	Description of product	Origin
09.4910	Maize, sorghum	Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay
09.4915	Sugar for refining	Brazil
09.4920	Fresh beef	Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay
09.4925	Frozen beef including processing	Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay
09.4930	Milk powders	Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay
09.4935	Cheese	Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay
09.4940	Pigmeat (fresh and chilled, frozen and prepared)	Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay
09.4945	Pigmeat (fresh and chilled, frozen and prepared)	Paraguay
09.4950	Eggs	Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay
09.4955	Egg albumen	Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay
09.4960	Poultry meat (boneless) including poultry preparations	Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay
09.4965	Poultry meat (bone-in)	Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay
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Table 2 Mercosur quotas subject to the “first-come, first-served” principle		
Tariff rate quota order number	Description of product	Origin
09.0878	Rice	Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay
09.0879	Sugar for refining	Paraguay
09.0880	Other sugars	Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay
09.0881	Honey	Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay
09.0882	Sweetcorn	Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay
09.0883	Maize starch and manioc starch	Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay
09.0884	Starch derivatives	Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay
09.0885	Garlic	Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay



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