EU–Moldova Deep and Comprehensive Free Trade Area

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Decision No 1/2025 of the EU-Moldova Association Committee in Trade Configuration on the reduction and elimination of customs duties

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/2009 as regards the quantities that may be imported under certain tariff quotas following the amendment of the Association Agreement between the European Union and Moldova

What is changing and why?

The European Union (EU) and Moldova have reached agreement on expanding their trade relations. This provides greater access to the EU market for Moldovan apples, cherries, garlic, grapes, grape juice, plums, and tomatoes, as shown in Table 1.

The agreement includes a safeguard clause that allows the EU to reintroduce tariffs if imports cause social or economic disruption either across the EU or in any EU Member State. Moldova has agreed to align its national rules on pesticides with EU rules by the end of 2027.

To support the country's trade in the context of the Ukraine war, in 2022 the EU permitted imports of all agricultural products from Moldova at zero duty, but these measures expired in July 2025.

Timeline

The revised quotas in Table 1 apply from **4 October 2025**.

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Table 1
Improved market access to the European Union under the reviewed EU–Moldova DCFTA

Product	Quota order number[1]	DCFTA[2] tariff rate quotas (tonnes)	
		Current	Reviewed
Apples	09.6803	40,000	50,000
Cherries	09.6806	1,500	4,500
Garlic	09.6801	220	Full liberalisation[3]
Grape juice	09.6805	500	Full liberalisation[3]
Grapes, table	09.6802	20,000	40,000
Plums	09.6804	15,000	61,000
Tomatoes	09.6800	2,000	Full liberalisation[3]

1. Further details for each quota (listed by order number) can be found under Regulation 2020/1988, Annex I.
2. DCFTA: Deep and Comprehensive Free Trade Area.
3. Full liberalisation: zero duty for all imports, no quota.

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Source: Regulation 2025/2009

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