

Latest pesticide approvals, renewals, and extensions 2024

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Latest extensions, approvals, and renewals of pesticides for use in the EU

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) [2024/1749](#)

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) [2024/1718](#)

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) [2024/1206](#)

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) [2024/324](#)

Update

The EU has renewed the approval of metconazole as a candidate for substitution.

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What is changing?

The EU has recently renewed the approval of metconazole as a [candidate for substitution](#).

The EU has also amended the conditions of approval of the active substance metalaxyl-M. It is now restricted to use as a treatment for seeds intended to be sown in greenhouses.

Previously in 2024, the EU extended approval of the substances listed in Table 1. In addition, the EU has renewed the approval of trinexapac, and has approved magnesium hydroxide E528 as a basic substance.

Timeline

A comprehensive list of active substances, their legal status, and expiry dates can be found in the European Commission's [Active substances, safeners and synergists](#) database.

Recommended Actions

Suppliers to the EU market should monitor developments in EU approvals when considering longer-term strategies on agricultural practices that are in conformity with EU rules.

Background

Approvals

A plant protection product or pesticide contains one or several active substances. Active substances must meet the established approval criteria (Regulation [1107/2009](#), Art. 4), which include no harmful effects on human health or the environment.

Depending on their characteristics, some active substances can be approved as low-risk substances that fulfil certain criteria [Regulation [1107/2009](#), Annex II(5)]. Low-risk substances are approved for 15 years instead of the standard 10 years, and enjoy more favourable data protection (13 years). Authorisation procedures are generally also shorter.

Approval renewals

The Commission has established a series of work programmes to manage the renewal process. The current (fifth) [work programme](#) covers substances with approval expiring between 1 January 2022 and 31 December 2024. Each substance is allocated to an EU [Member State](#) for evaluation.

If no application is received for extension of approval, the initial expiry date will remain.

Extension of approvals

If an application for renewal cannot be fully evaluated before the expiry date, the approval can be extended to allow the evaluation to be completed.

Resources

Online resources from the European Commission:

- [Renewal of approval](#)
- [Approval of active substances](#)

Sources

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Table & Figures

Table 1 Extensions of approval 2024			
Active substance	Expiry date extended to:	Active substance	Expiry date extended to:
Regulation (EU) 2024/324		Regulation (EU) 2024/1206 (continued)	
Benzovindiflupyr	2 Aug 2026	Azadirachtin	31 Jan 2027
Bromuconazole	30 Apr 2027	Bupirimate	31 Jan 2027
Buprofezin	15 Dec 2025	Dithianon	31 Jan 2027
Cyflufenamid	30 Jun 2027	Dodine	15 Jul 2026
Fluazinam	15 Apr 2025	Fluometuron	15 Jul 2026
Fluopyram	30 Jun 2026	Hexythiazox	31 Jan 2027
Flutolanil	15 Jun 2025	Isoxaben	31 Jan 2027
Lambda-cyhalothrin	31 Aug 2026	Lime sulphur	31 Jan 2027
Mecoprop-P	15 May 2025	Orange oil	31 Dec 2026
Mepiquat	15 Oct 2025	Prosulfuron	15 Jun 2026
Metsulfuron-methyl	31 Aug 2026	Quinmerac	31 Dec 2026
Phosphane	15 Mar 2026	Sintofen	15 Jul 2026
Pyraclostrobin	15 Sep 2025	Sodium silver thiosulfate	31 Dec 2026
Regulation (EU) 2024/1206		Tau-fluvalinate	31 Jan 2027
1-Decanol	15 Jul 2026	Tebufenozide	31 Jan 2027
6-Benzyladenine	15 Jul 2026	Tembotrione	31 Dec 2026
Aluminium sulfate	15 Jul 2026	Zinc phosphide	31 Dec 2026

Source: based on Regulations (EU) [2024/324](#), [2024/1206](#)

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