

Organic products: controls of high-risk products

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Regulation

[Draft](#) Commission Delegated Regulation as regards the import into the Union of high-risk organic and in-conversion products [[scroll down to Download](#)]

What is changing and why?

The EU has notified the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (WTO TBT) Committee that it will establish a list of high-risk organic products (taking into account products that have frequently been non-compliant with EU rules, and the countries from which they come). High-risk products require more frequent controls by organic control authorities/ control bodies and EU Member State competent authorities. Under today's rules, all consignments of products identified as high-risk have to undergo controls.

The Commission recognises that controls of 100% of consignments is not necessary to ensure compliance. This draft Regulation introduces flexibility that would allow the Commission to set a frequency of checks that is below 100%, when appropriate. It also allows a different share to be set for control authorities/ bodies and for Member State competent authorities.

Actions

Comments on the proposal can be submitted via the [National TBT notification authority](#) of the country concerned to the [EU TBT Enquiry Point](#) until **3 September 2024**.

Timeline

The new rules on controls will apply on the date when the Regulation adopting a list of high-risk organic products is applied.

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