Preventing introduction of fall armyworm into the EU

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Draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/1134 on measures to prevent the introduction into, establishment and spread within the Union territory of *Spodoptera frugiperda* (Smith), with regard to the species concerned and the period of application of certain provisions [download: scroll down to Ares(2025)8296549]

What is changing and why?

Measures introduced under Regulation 2023/1134 to prevent the introduction of fall armyworm currently apply to a list of specified products until 31 December 2025 (Art. 2(2)). This proposal will prolong the application of these measures to **31 December 2028**. The products affected include corn/maize, eggplant, African eggplant, Ethiopian eggplant, aubergine, Capsicum, bell peppers, chilli peppers, paprika, bitter gourd, and bitter melon. This proposal also removes plants of *Asparagus officinalis* from the products listed.

Actions

To ensure consignments are free from FAW, exporters must implement one of five alternative options listed in Art. 10 of Regulation 2023/1134. Both operators and National Plant Protection Organisations (NPPOs) must be involved to ensure that exports are free from FAW.

Listed plants must be accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate. Under the heading "**Additional Declaration**", reference must be made to Regulation 2023/1134, and text must be added to indicate which option has been applied, using the exact same words given in Art. 10 of the Regulation.

Timeline

The Regulation has been in force since 2023 and is proposed to apply until **31 December 2028**.

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