RASFF notifications in February 2025

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43 AGRINFO partner countries received RASFF notifications in February 2025

RASFF Window

Update

This report summarises Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed (RASFF) notifications of products entering the European Union from low- and middle-income countries that occurred in February 2025:

- 177 notifications on food products
- three notifications on feed
- seven notifications on food contact materials

originating from 43 AGRINFO partner countries.

Notifications

Food products

177 notifications on food products originating from 43 AGRINFO partner countries (Table 1).

Feed products

Three notifications on feed entering the EU from China, India, and Turkiye (Table 2).

Food contact materials

Seven notifications on food contact materials originating from China (Table 3).

For more detail on these notifications, see the European Commission's RASFF Window using the references given in Tables 1–3.

Timeline

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What are the major implications for exporting countries?

RASFF notifications can have significant implications for producers and exporters. Notified food products may need to be recalled from the market or destroyed to prevent them from being sold and consumed. This can result in financial losses for producers, exporters, and other parties involved in the supply chain. Furthermore, if there are several interceptions due to contamination – by mycotoxins including aflatoxins, pesticide residues, pentachlorophenol and dioxins, microbiological contamination, Sudan dyes, Rhodamine B, and plant toxins – these can lead to increased controls and other measures. See Temporary increased official controls on food of certain origins.

Recommended Actions

To minimise RASFF notifications and ensure smooth trade with the EU market, producers and exporters from non-EU countries must take action to ensure the safety of their products. This involves implementing rigorous control measures at every stage of production, processing, and packaging to ensure adherence to EU standards and regulations; establishing comprehensive food safety management systems (such as Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points – HACCP) to identify and address potential risks across the supply chain; and maintaining meticulous documentation of all activities to enable traceability and provide evidence of compliance with EU regulations.

Background

The Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed (RASFF) was set up to allow EU food safety authorities to rapidly exchange information on health risks from food or feed, enabling them to take immediate action to avert the risk. RASFF provides a round-the-clock service to ensure that urgent notifications are sent, received, and responded to collectively and efficiently. Information exchanged through RASFF can lead to products being recalled from the EU market, averting risks before they can cause harm, from farm to fork.

The European Commission must inform non-EU countries if an exported product is subject to a notification, so that the country's authorities and exporters can take corrective measures.

The legal basis for RASFF is set out in Art. 50 of the EU General Food Law (Regulation 178/2002).

For further information see Official Controls Regulation – explained.

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Tables & Figures

Table 1
RASFF notifications for food in February 2025

Country/category	No. of alerts	Hazards	Reference
Afghanistan			
Fruits and vegetables	1	E220 - sulfur dioxide undeclared	2025.1021
Albania			
Fish and fish products	1	Histamine	2025.0749
Argentina			
Nuts, nut products and seeds	5	Aflatoxin B1,aflatoxin total	2025.1461; 2025.1453; 2025.1449; 2025.1442; 2025.1441
Armenia			
Fruits and vegetables	1	Azoxystrobin, bifenthrin, chlorpyrifos unauthorized substance, cypermethrin, dithiocarbamates, emamectin, hexaconazole unauthorised substance, lambda-cyhalothrin, penconazole, propargite, propiconazole, tebuconazole, tetraconazole, triadimefon, triadimenol	2025.1180
Bangladesh			
Herbs and spices	1	Acetamiprid, carbendazim unauthorised substance, chlorpyrifos, clothianidin, hexaconazole unauthorised substance, kresoxim-methyl, propiconazole, thiamethoxam, tolfenpyrad, tricyclazole unauthorised substance	2025.1456
	1	Ethion, tolfenpyrad	2025.0943
Belarus			
Nuts, nut products and seeds	1	Erucic acid too high content	2025.1320
Bolivia			
Nuts, nut products and seeds	1	Alternariol	2025.1058
Bosnia and Herzegovina			
Fruits and vegetables	3	Phosmet unauthorised substance	2025.1405; 2025.1228; 2025.1176
Brazil			
Poultry meat and poultry meat products	1	*Salmonella typhimurium*	2025.1162
	2	Chlorate unauthorised substance	2025.0900; 2025.0899
	2	*Salmonella* spp.	2025.0739; 2025.0718
Nuts, nut products and seeds	2	Aflatoxin B1	2025.0877; 2025.0751
Meat and meat products (other than poultry)	1	*Escherichia coli* shigatoxin-producing	2025.0722

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Country/category	No. of alerts	Hazards	Reference
Cambodia			
Fruits and vegetables	1	Chlorpyrifos unauthorised substance, fenvalerate, hexaconazole unauthorised substance, permethrin unauthorised substance, profenofos unauthorised substance	2025.0888
China			
Cocoa and cocoa preparations, coffee and tea	1	Benzo(a)pyrene, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons sum of	2025.1353
Fish and fish products	1	Insufficient traceability	2025.1070
	1	Lack of official control at the border	2025.0934
Fruits and vegetables	2	Cadmium	2025.1434; 2025.1316
Nuts, nut products and seeds	1	Incorrect labelling	2025.1156
	2	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.1146; 2025.0829
Other food product / mixed	1	*Bacillus cereus*	2025.1182
Colombia			
Cereals and bakery products	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.1186
Dietetic foods, food supplements and fortified foods	1	Tadalafil unauthorised substance	2025.1071
Fruits and vegetables	1	Imidacloprid	2025.0728
Côte d'Ivoire			
Fats and oils	2	Sudan 4 unauthorised colour	2025.1420; 2025.1300
Ecuador			
Crustaceans and products thereof	1	Sulphite too high content	2025.1155

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Country/category	No. of alerts	Hazards	Reference
Egypt			
Cereals and bakery products	1	Illegal import of biscuits with milk ingredients	2025.1440
Cocoa and cocoa preparations, coffee and tea	1	Pyrrolizidine alkaloids	2025.1005
Fruits and vegetables	1	Oxamyl unauthorised substance, propamocarb	2025.1357
	1	Chlorpropham	2025.1282
	1	Chlorfenapyr, dimethoate	2025.1088
	1	Chlorpropham	2025.1085
	1	Dimethoate	2025.0917
	1	Phenthoate unauthorised substance	2025.0819
	1	Profenofos unauthorised substance	2025.0705
Herbs and spices	1	Propiconazole	2025.1117
	1	Pyrrolizidine alkaloids	2025.0881
	1	Ethylene oxide	2025.0782
Nuts, nut products and seeds	1	Aflatoxin B1	2025.1014
Ghana			
Nuts, nut products and seeds	1	*Bacillus cereus* presumptive, *Salmonella* spp., novel food ingredient	2025.1273
Herbs and spices	1	*Salmonella*	2025.0816

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India			
Cereals and bakery products	1	Chlorpyrifos unauthorised substance, thiamethoxam	2025.1133
	1	Thiamethoxam, tricyclazole unauthorised substance	2025.0729
Dietetic foods, food supplements and fortified foods	1	2-chloroethanol, ethylene oxide	2025.0837
	1	Ethylene oxide	2025.0758
Fruits and vegetables	1	Acephate unauthorised substance, bifenthrin, buprofezin, methamidophos unauthorised substance	2025.0757
Herbs and spices	1	Clothianidin, thiamethoxam	2025.1025
	1	Azoxystrobin, acetamiprid, carbendazim unauthorised substance, chlorpyrifos-methyl unauthorised substance, clothianidin, dinotefuran unauthorised substance, flonicamid, hexaconazole unauthorised substance, kresoxim-methyl, picoxystrobin unauthorised substance, propiconazole, thiamethoxam, tolfenpyrad, tricyclazole unauthorised substance	2025.0885
Nuts, nut products and seeds	1	Diflubenzuron, haloxyfop unauthorised substance	2025.1225
Indonesia			
Herbs and spices	1	Chlorpyrifos	2025.1075
Iran			
Nuts, nut products and seeds	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.1303
Fruits and vegetables	1	Allergens	2025.0987
	1	Sulphite undeclared	2025.0946
Jordan			
Prepared dishes and snacks	1	Foreign bodies	2025.0936

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Kenya			
Nuts, nut products and seeds	1	*Salmonella* spp.	2025.1035
Fruits and vegetables	1	Indoxacarb	2025.1115
	1	Sulfoxaflor	2025.1041
	1	Acephate unauthorised substance, methamidophos unauthorised substance	2025.1020
	1	Flutriafol	2025.0764
Lebanon			
Fruits and vegetables	1	E220 - sulfur dioxide undeclared	2025.0719
Madagascar			
Fruits and vegetables	1	Foreign bodies	2025.1167
Mexico			
Nuts, nut products and seeds	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.1391
	1	Aflatoxin B1	2025.1317
	1	Alternariol, alternariol monomethyl ether (AME)	2025.1073
Fish and fish products	2	Rupture of the cold chain	2025.1050; 2025.0709
Morocco			
Confectionery	1	Foreign bodies	2025.1369
Fish and fish products	1	Histamine	2025.1184
Fruits and vegetables	1	Abamectin	2025.0835
Nigeria			
Herbs and spices	1	Chlorpyrifos unauthorised substance, fipronil unauthorised substance, imidacloprid, thiamethoxam	2025.1158
Nuts, nut products and seeds	3	*Salmonella*	2025.1322; 2025.1161; 2025.0788
	1	Improper certificates	2025.1160
Pakistan			
Food additives and flavourings	2	Mineral oil	2025.1403; 2025.1401
Cereals and bakery products	1	Chlorpyrifos	2025.1219
	1	Ochratoxin A	2025.0879
	1	Chlorpyriphos-ethyl	2025.0731

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Peru			
Fruits and vegetables	1	Famoxadone	2025.1462
	1	Fipronil unauthorised substance, lambda-cyhalothrin	2025.1315
Soups, broths, sauces and condiments	1	Chlorfenapyr unauthorised substance, chlorpyrifos unauthorised substance, lambda-cyhalothrin, phenthoate unauthorised substance, propiconazole, triazophos	2025.1105
Rwanda			
Herbs and spices	1	Diafenthiuron unauthorised substance	2025.1375
Senegal			
Fruits and vegetables	4	Chlorpyrifos unauthorised substance	2025.1309; 2025.1210; 2025.1079; 2025.1003
	1	Chlorpyrifos unauthorised substance, etoxazole, oxamyl unauthorised substance	2025.1217
Serbia			
Other food product / mixed	3	Aflatoxin B1	2025.1267; 2025.0734; 2025.0699
Non-alcoholic beverages	1	Patulin	2025.0981
South Africa			
Fruits and vegetables	2	Ethephon	2025.1212; 2025.1024
Herbs and spices	1	Plastic pieces breaking off	2025.0806
Sri Lanka			
Fruits and vegetables	1	Carbofuran, metalaxyl	2025.0979
	1	Acetamiprid, fipronil unauthorised substance, thiophanate-methyl	2025.0747
Sudan			
Nuts, nut products and seeds	1	Incomplete certificates	2025.1107
Syria			
Other food product / mixed	1	Azoxystrobin, bifenthrin, chlorpyrifos, cypermethrin, dithiocarbamates, emamectin, hexaconazole unauthorised substance, lambda-cyhalothrin, penconazole, propargite, propiconazole, tebuconazole, tetraconazole, triadimefon, triadimenol	2025.1389

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Country/category	No. of alerts	Hazards	Reference
Thailand			
Meat and meat products (other than poultry)	2	Illegal import of animal products	2025.1465; 2025.1285
Herbs and spices	1	Chlorpyrifos, pyridaben	2025.1438
Nuts, nut products and seeds	1	Novel food unauthorised	2025.0843
Fruits and vegetables	1	Bifenthrin, buprofezin, carbaryl, dimethomorph, fluopicolide, lambda-cyhalothrin, prochloraz, pyraclostrobin	2025.0735
Tunisia			
Fruits and vegetables	1	Foreign bodies	2025.0995

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Country/category	No. of alerts	Hazards	Reference
Türkiye			
Cocoa and cocoa preparations, coffee and tea	1	Sibutramine unauthorised substance	2025.1208
	1	Allergens	2025.0803
Confectionery	1	Unauthorised food additive E10	2025.1395
	2	Sesame undeclared	2025.1312; 2025.1248
	1	Acrylamide high level	2025.1163
Fruits and vegetables	1	Acetamiprid	2025.1450
	1	Acetamiprid, cymoxanil	2025.1339
	1	Acetamiprid, cymoxanil, difenoconazole, dimethomorph, penconazole, proquinazid, pyriofenone, tebuconazole	2025.1100
	7	Aflatoxin B1	2025.1192; 2025.0763; 2025.1427; 2025.1242; 2025.1205; 2025.0768; 2025.0745
	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total, ochratoxin A	2025.1384
	1	Azoxystrobin, boscalid, difenoconazole, dithiocarbamates, famoxadone, flutriafol, lambda-cyhalothrin	2025.1277
	1	Chlorothalonil	2025.1335
	1	Chlorpyrifos-methyl unauthorised substance	2025.0947
	1	Dimethoate, ethion	2025.0737
	1	Formetanate	2025.1229
	1	Formetanate	2025.1122
	1	Methoxyfenozide, phosmet unauthorised substance	2025.1065
	3	Ochratoxin A	2025.1354; 2025.0999; 2025.0890
	1	Prochloraz	2025.1279
Herbs and spices	1	Allergens	2025.1141
	2	Pyrrolizidine alkaloids	2025.0925; 2025.0772
Nuts, nut products and seeds	1	Tenuazonic acid	2025.1460
	1	Peanut undeclared, sesame undeclared	2025.1404
	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.1377
	1	Gluten presence	2025.1258
	4	*Salmonella* spp.	2025.1198; 2025.0914; 2025.1325; 2025.1319
	1	Aflatoxin B1	2025.0897
	1	Aflatoxin, aflatoxin B1	2025.0753
	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.0748
Other food product / mixed	1	Azoxystrobin, acetamiprid, boscalid, cyprodinil, dimethomorph, dithiocarbamates, fenvalerate, flubendiamide, fluopyram, iprovalicarb unauthorised substance, pyrimethanil, tebuconazole, trifloxystrobin	2025.1144

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Country/category	No. of alerts	Hazards	Reference
Ukraine			
Cereals and bakery products	1	Foreign bodies	2025.1301
Nuts, nut products and seeds	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.1288
Prepared dishes and snacks	1	Acrylamide high level	2025.1094
Fruits and vegetables	1	Chlorpyrifos unauthorised substance	2025.0854
Poultry meat and poultry meat products	1	Rupture of the cold chain	2025.0859
	1	*Salmonella infantis*	2025.0725
Uruguay			
Nuts, nut products and seeds	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.1437
	1	Aflatoxin B1	2025.1435
Uzbeistan			
Fruits and vegetables	1	Ochratoxin A	2025.0769
Vietnam			
Crustaceans and products thereof	1	Nitrofuran (metabolite) furazolidone (AOZ) prohibited substance	2025.1222
	1	Egg undeclared	2025.0800
Nuts, nut products and seeds	1	Novel food unauthorised	2025.1002
Fish and fish products	1	High content of E 300	2025.0930
	1	E 300 - ascorbic acid too high content	2025.0860
Fruits and vegetables	1	Lead high content	2025.1030
	1	Forchlorfenuron, dithiocarbamates, propiconazole, thiamethoxam	2025.0767

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Table 2 RASFF notifications for feed products in February 2025		
Country/category	Hazards	Reference
China		
Pet food	Lack of official control at the border control post	2025.1237
India		
Pet food	*Salmonella*	2025.1134
Türkiye		
Feed materials	Permethrin unauthorised substance	2025.1034
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Table 3 RASFF notifications for food contact materials in February 2025	
Country/hazard	Reference
China	
Glass splintering	2025.1413
Primary aromatic amines migration	2025.1332
Unauthorised use of pulp cellulose	2025.1287
Primary aromatic amines migration	2025.1223
Primary aromatic amines migration	2025.1221
Phthalate DBP - dibutyl migration	2025.1174
Formaldehyde migration	2025.0847
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