

# **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 <u>RASFF Window</u> using the references given in Tables 1–3.

### Timeline

RASFF notifications in February 2025.





## 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 <u>Temporary increased official controls on food of certain origins</u>.

## **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.





## **Sources**

RASFF window (consulted 6 March 2025)

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# **Table & Figures**

	RASFF	Table 1 notifications for food in February 2	025
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; 2025.117
Brazil			
Poultry meat and poultry	1	Salmonella typhimurium	2025.1162
meat products	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	1	Escherichia coli shigatoxin-producing	2025.0722



		Table 1 Continued	
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	1	Incorrect labelling	2025.1156
seeds	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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Country/category	No. of alerts	Hazards	Reference
India		*	
Cereals and bakery products	1	Chlorpyrifos unauthorised substance, thiamethoxam	2025.1133
	1	Thiamethoxam, tricyclazole unauthorised substance	2025.0729
Dietetic foods, food	1	2-chloroethanol, ethylene oxide	2025.0837
supplements and fortified foods	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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Country/category	No. of alerts	Hazards	Reference
Kenya	-	2	
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	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.1391
seeds	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	3	Salmonella	2025.1322; 2025.1161; 2025.0788
seeds	1	Improper certificates	2025.1160
Pakistan			
Food additives and flavourings	2	Mineral oil	2025.1403; 2025.1401
Cereals and bakery	1	Chlorpyrifos	2025.1219
products	1	Ochratoxin A	2025.0879
	1	Chlorpyriphos-ethyl	2025.0731



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Country/category	No. of alerts	Hazards	Reference
Peru			
Fruits and vegetables	1	Famoxadone	2025.1462
	1	Fipronil unauthorised substance, lambdacyhalothrin	2025.1315
Soups, broths, sauces and condiments	1	Chlorfenapyr unauthorised substance, chlorpyrifos unauthorised substance, lambdacyhalothrin, phenthoate unauthorised substance, propiconazole, triazophos	2025.1105
Rwanda		*	•
Herbs and spices	1	Diafenthiuron unauthorised substance	2025.1375
Senegal		2	-
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		2	-
Other food product / mixed	3	Aflatoxin B1	2025.1267; 2025.0734; 2025.069
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			<del></del>
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	1	Sibutramine unauthorised substance	2025.1208
preparations, coffee and tea	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	1	Tenuazonic acid	2025.1460
seeds	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	1	Rupture of the cold chain	2025.0859
meat products	1	Salmonella infantis	2025.0725
Uruguay	-		
Nuts, nut products and	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.1437
seeds	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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Source: RASFF window



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	eed materials Permethrin unauthorised substance			
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Source: RASFF window

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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