RASFF notifications in January 2025

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42 AGRINFO partner countries received RASFF notifications in January 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 January 2025:

- 145 notifications on food products
- 6 notifications on feed
- 7 notifications on food contact materials

originating from 42 AGRINFO partner countries.

January 2025 RASFF notifications

Food products

145 notifications on food products originating from 40 AGRINFO partner countries (Table 1).

Feed products

Six notifications on feed entering the EU from Belarus, Brazil, India, and Nigeria (Table 2).

Food contact materials

Seven notifications on food contact materials originating from China, Türkiye, and Pakistan (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 January 2025

Category	No. of alerts	Hazards*	Reference
Afghanistan			
Fruits & vegetables	1	E220 – sulfur dioxide undeclared	2025.0018
Albania			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Chlorpyrifos	2025.0261
Argentina			
Nuts, nut products, seeds	2	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.0558; 2025.0218
Fruits & vegetables	1	Chlorate [U]	2025.0317
Azerbaidjan			
Nuts, nut products, seeds	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.0473
Bangladesh			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Dimethoate, fenpropathrin [U], omethoate	2025.0356
Brazil			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Acephate [U], methamidophos [U]	2025.0171
Poultry meat & products	1	*Salmonella* spp.	2025.0115
Nuts, nut products, seeds	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.0080
Burkina Faso			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Dimethoate, metalaxyl	2025.0091
China			
Food additives & flavourings	1	Ethylene oxide	2025.0296
Food contact materials	1	Primary aromatic amines migration	2025.0315
Fruits & vegetables	1	E220 – sulfur dioxide undeclared	2025.0615
	1	2,4,6-trichloroanisole (TCA), procymidone	2025.0476
Herbs & spices	1	Buprofezin, chlorpyrifos, dinotefuran [U], prochloraz, pyraclostrobin, tebuconazole	2025.0650
	1	Ochratoxin A	2025.0386
	1	Ethephon	2025.0316
	1	Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (sum of)	2025.0085
Nuts, nut products, seeds	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.0578
Other food product/mixed	1	Chlorpyriphos-ethyl, dinotefuran, lambda-cyhalothrin, tolfenpyrad	2025.0251
Colombia			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Prochloraz	2025.0413
	2	Chlorothalonil	2025.0288; 2025.0067
	1	Methomyl	2025.0287
Costa Rica			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Chlorpyrifos	2025.0305
Ecuador			
Crustaceans & products	1	E220 – sulfur dioxide [H]	2025.0254
Egypt			
Fruits & vegetables	2	Profenofos [U]	2025.0496; 2025.0100
	1	Buprofezin, chlorfenapyr, chlorpyrifos, dimethoate	2025.0088
	1	Imidacloprid	2025.0003
Herbs & spices	2	Pyrrolizidine alkaloids	2025.0589; 2025.0217
Nuts, nut products, seeds	3	Aflatoxin B1	2025.0673; 2025.0641; 2025.0588

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Category	No. of alerts	Hazards*	Reference
Ghana			
Nuts, nut products, seeds	1	*Salmonella* spp.	2025.0443
India			
Cereals & bakery products	2	Ochratoxin A	2025.0452; 2025.0419
	1	Thiamethoxam, tricyclazole [U]	2025.0049
Crustaceans & products	1	Nitrofuran (metabolite) furaltadone (AMOZ) prohibited substance	2025.0192
Fruits & vegetables	1	Fluopyram, thiamethoxam	2025.0590
	1	Thiamethoxam	2025.0570
	1	Acephate [U], diafenthiuron [U], dinotefuran, methamidophos [U]	2025.0525
	1	Monocrotophos [U]	2025.0239
Herbs & spices	1	Methyl yellow unauthorised colour	2025.0595
	1	Acetamiprid, carbendazim, chlorpyrifos, clothianidin, fluxapyroxad, imidacloprid, picoxystrobin [U], propiconazole, pyraclostrobin, thiamethoxam	2025.0168
	1	Acetamiprid, carbendazim, chlorpyriphos-ethyl, clothianidin, fluxapyroxad, imidacloprid, picoxystrobin [U], propiconazole, pyraclostrobin, thiamethoxam	2025.0147
Nuts, nut products, seeds	1	Malathion	2025.0586
Indonesia			
Herbs & spices	1	Chlorpyrifos	2025.0029
Iran			
Confectionery	1	E220 – sulfur dioxide [H]	2025.0620
Cereals & bakery products	1	3-monochlor-1, 2-propanediol (3-MCPD), glycidyl esters	2025.0387
Nuts, nut products, seeds	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxins	2025.0281
Fruits & vegetables	1	Ochratoxin A	2025.0011
Jordan			
Cereals & bakery products	1	Chlorpyrifos	2025.0328
Kenya			
Fruits & vegetables	2	Acephate [U], methamidophos [U]	2025.0298; 2025.0006
	1	Dimethomorph	2025.0233
Lebanon			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Chlorpyrifos	2025.0038
Malaysia			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Azoxystrobin, carbendazim [U], fipronil [U]	2025.0289
Fats & oils	1	Mineral oil	2025.0114
Mexico			
Herbs & spices	1	Biphenyl, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons heavy	2025.0169
Moldova			
Nuts, nut products, seeds	1	Alternariol, tenuazonic acid	2025.0314
Morocco			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Dimethoate	2025.0142
Nigeria			
Nuts, nut products, seeds	2	*Salmonella* spp.	2025.0445; 2025.0285

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Category	No. of alerts	Hazards*	Reference
Pakistan			
Cereals & bakery products	2	Imidacloprid	2025.0568; 2025.0277
	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxins, ochratoxin A	2025.0449
	1	Aflatoxin B1	2025.0363
	1	Chlorpyrifos [U]	2025.0127
	1	Imidaclopride	2025.0048
Fruits & vegetables	1	Aflatoxin B1	2025.0332
Nuts, nut products, seeds	1	Aflatoxin B1	2025.0076
Paraguay			
Nuts, nut products, seeds	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.0551
Peru			
Cereals & bakery products	1	Aflatoxin B1	2025.0500
Fruits & vegetables	1	Cyfluthrin, lambda-cyhalothrin, propamocarb	2025.0040
Herbs & spices	1	Ochratoxin A	2025.0271
North Macedonia			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Imidaclopride	2025.0309
Senegal			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Chlorpyrifos [U], clothianidin, lambda-cyhalothrin, profenofos [U]	2025.0339
Serbia			
Cereals & bakery products	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.0513
Fruits & vegetables	1	Cadmium	2025.0044
Nuts, nut products, seeds	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.0438
Other food product/mixed	2	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.0638; 2025.0306
South Africa			
Cocoa & preparations, coffee, tea	1	Pyrrolizidine alkaloids	2025.0420
Sri Lanka			
Fats & oils	1	Chlorpyrifos [U], cypermethrin	2025.0433
Fish & fish products	1	Mercury	2025.0602
Fruits & vegetables	1	Metalaxyl	2025.0453
Herbs & spices	1	Anthraquinone	2025.0095
Syria			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Chlorpyrifos [U]	2025.0426
Thailand			
Other food product/mixed	1	Egg undeclared	2025.0640
Confectionery	1	Colour E 110 – Sunset Yellow FCF [H], colour E 122 – azorubine [H]	2025.0184
Fruits & vegetables	1	Azoxystrobin, carbendazim [U], prochloraz, procymidone	2025.0015
Tunisia			
Fish & fish products	1	Mercury	2025.0117

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Category	No. of alerts	Hazards*	Reference
Türkiye			
Cereals & bakery products	1	3-monochlor-1,2-propanediol (3-MCPD)	2025.0552
Fruits & vegetables	2	Acetamiprid	2025.0382; 2025.0303
	1	Acetamiprid, pyrimethanil, pyriproxyfen	2025.0075
	5	Aflatoxin, Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.0548; 2025.0113; 2025.0417; 2025.0524; 2025.0008
	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxins, ochratoxin A	2025.0406
	1	Aflatoxins	2025.0150
	1	Aflatoxins, ochratoxin A	2025.0661
	1	Azoxystrobin, acetamiprid	2025.0211
	1	Chlorpyrifos-methyl	2025.0007
	1	Chlorpyrifos-methyl, propiconazole	2025.0424
	1	Dithiocarbamates	2025.0055
	1	E220 – sulfur dioxide undeclared	2025.0262
	1	Indoxacarb	2025.0564
	2	Ochratoxin A	2025.0451; 2025.0404
	1	Pyriproxyfen	2025.0517
	1	Tau-fluvalinate	2025.0507
Herbs & spices	2	Ethylene oxide	2025.0521; 2025.0210
	1	Pyrrolizidine alkaloids	2025.0389
Nuts, nut products, seeds	7	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.0667; 2025.0284; 2025.0355; 2025.0358; 2025.0364; 2025.0468; 2025.0627
	1	Ochratoxin A	2025.0258
	1	Cadmium	2025.0157
	1	*Salmonella*	2025.0039
Prepared dishes and snacks	1	3-monochlor-1,2-propanediol (3-MCPD), colour E 110 – Sunset Yellow FCF unauthorised use, glycidyl esters	2025.0467
Uganda			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Chlorpyrifos [U], dithiocarbamates	2025.0683
	1	Dimethoate	2025.0537
Ukraine			
Confectionery	1	Trans fatty acids [H]	2025.0544
Uzbekistan			
Fruits & vegetables	4	Ochratoxin A	2025.0606; 2025.0576; 2025.0331; 2025.0321
Vietnam			
Cereals & bakery products	1	Isoprothiolane [U], tricyclazole [U]	2025.0310
Fish & fish products	1	Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)	2025.0060
Fruits & vegetables	1	Dithiocarbamates	2025.0630
	1	Pyraclostrobin	2025.0540
Meat & meat products (other than poultry)	1	*Salmonella* Saintpaul	2025.0647
Non-alcoholic beverages	1	Novel food ingredient [U]	2025.0241
Nuts, nut products, seeds	1	Peanut undeclared	2025.0535

* [H], too high content; [U], unauthorised substance

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Table 2 RASFF notifications for feed products in January 2025		
Category	Hazards*	Reference
Belarus		
Feed materials	*Salmonella typhimurium*	2025.0175
	Salmonella Mbandaka	2025.0172
	Salmonella	2025.0121
Brazil		
Feed materials	*Salmonella* Senftenberg	2025.0201
India		
Feed materials	*Salmonella*	2025.0053
Nigeria		
Feed materials	Chlorpyrifos [U], cypermethrin, lambda-cyhalothrin, organophosphate pesticides, profenofos [U]	2025.0494

* [U], unauthorised substance.

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Table 3 RASFF notifications for food contact materials in January 2025	
Country/hazard	Reference
China	
Volatile organic compounds	2025.0676
Formaldehyde increasing migration	2025.0644
Primary aromatic amines migration	2025.0515
Unfit for use as food contact material	2025.0427
Formaldehyde increasing migration	2025.0222
Pakistan	
Mineral oil migration	2025.0644
Türkiye	
Corrosion	2025.0676

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