RASFF notifications in March 2025

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38 AGRINFO partner countries received RASFF notifications in March 2025

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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:

- 174 notifications on food products
- 8 notifications on feed
- 7 notifications on food contact materials

originating from 38 AGRINFO partner countries.

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Food products

174 notifications on food products originating from 37 AGRINFO partner countries (Table 1).

Feed products

Eight notifications on feed entering the EU from Egypt, India, Mauritania, and Thailand (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 foods from certain countries.

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 March 2025

Category	No. of alerts	Hazards*	Reference
Afghanistan			
Fruits & vegetables	1	E220 – sulfur dioxide undeclared	2025.1992
Albania			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Flonicamid	2025.1776
Argentina			
Nuts, nut products, seeds	7	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.2378
		Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.2375
		Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.2259
		Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.2001
		Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.1942
		Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.1657
		Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.1531
Azerbaijan			
Nuts, nut products, seeds	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.1527
Bangladesh			
Other food product/mixed	1	3-monochlor-1, 2-propanediol (3-MCPD), glycidyl esters	2025.2198
Bosnia and Herzegovina			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Cadmium	2025.1494
Wine	1	Sulphite [H]	2025.1482
Brazil			
Meat & products (other than poultry)	3	*Escherichia coli* shigatoxin-producing	2025.1832
		Escherichia coli shigatoxin-producing	2025.1755
		Escherichia coli shigatoxin-producing	2025.1635
Poultry meat & products	11	*Salmonella* spp.	2025.2207
		Salmonella spp.	2025.2189
		Salmonella spp.	2025.2187
		Salmonella spp.	2025.2186
		Salmonella spp.	2025.2184
		Salmonella spp.	2025.2178
		Salmonella spp.	2025.2104
		Salmonella spp.	2025.2102
		Salmonella spp.	2025.2100
		Salmonella spp.	2025.2099
		Salmonella spp	2025.1488

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Category	No. of alerts	Hazards*	Reference
China			
Cocoa & preparations, coffee, tea	1	Chlorpyrifos	2025.2188
	1	Acetamiprid, carbendazim [U], imidacloprid	2025.1530
Crustaceans & products	1	Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)	2025.1927
Fish & products	1	Microsporidia parasitic infestation	2025.1959
	1	Histamine	2025.1537
Fruits & vegetables	1	Chlorfenapyr [U], chlormequat, chlorpyrifos [U], hexaconazole [U]	2025.2232
	1	Heavy metals	2025.2060
	1	Chlorpyrifos [U]	2025.1821
Herbs & spices	1	Sudan 1 unauthorised colour	2025.1674
	1	Sudan 3 unauthorised colour	2025.2349
Nuts, nut products, seeds	3	Aflatoxins B1	2025.2011
		Aflatoxin B1	2025.1810
		Aflatoxin B1	2025.1703
Colombia			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Prochloraz	2025.2288
	1	Acephate [U]	2025.1702
Ecuador			
Fats & oils	1	Glycidyl esters	2025.1550
Fish & products	1	Cadmium	2025.1491
Egypt			
Fats & oils	1	Benzo(a)anthracene, benzo(a)pyrene	2025.1840
Fruits & vegetables	1	Chlorpyrifos	2025.2205
	1	Oxamyl [U]	2025.2090
	1	Buprofezin, chlorpyriphos-ethyl	2025.1986
	1	Chlorpyrifos [U]	2025.1972
	1	Chlorpyriphos-ethyl, dimethoate	2025.1928
	1	Chlorpropham	2025.1926
	1	Chlorpyriphos-ethyl	2025.1925
	1	Chlorpyrifos [U]	2025.1924
	1	Bifenazate	2025.1887
	1	Chlorpropham	2025.1793
	1	Chlorpyrifos, diazinon	2025.1786
	1	Chlorpropham	2025.1723
	1	Dimethoate	2025.1513
Herbs & spices	1	*Salmonella* spp	2025.2335
	1	Chlorpyrifos [U], propiconazole	2025.1985
Nuts, nut products, seeds	3	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.2260
		Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.2131
		Aflatoxin B1	2025.1470

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Georgia			
Nuts, nut products, seeds	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.1920
India			
Cereals & bakery products	4	Chlorpyrifos	2025.2169
		Chlorpyrifos	2025.2164
		Chlorpyrifos	2025.1838
		Chlorpyriphos-ethyl	2025.1932
	1	Ochratoxin A	2025.1962
	1	Thiamethoxam, tricyclazole [U]	2025.1588
Fruits & vegetables	1	Clothianidin, thiamethoxam	2025.2179
	1	Azoxystrobin, acetamiprid, carbendazim, chlorpyriphos-ethyl, clothianidin, dinotefuran, flonicamid, hexaconazole [U], kresoxim-methyl, picoxystrobin [U], thiamethoxam, tolfenpyrad, tricyclazole [U], trifloxystrobin	2025.1584
	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.1576
Herbs & spices	1	Azoxystrobin, carbendazim, chlorpyrifos, cypermethrin, dinotefuran, famoxadone, fluxapyroxad, hexaconazole [U], isoprothiolane [U], kresoxim-methyl, metalaxyl, picoxystrobin [U], pyraclostrobin, pyriproxyfen, thiamethoxam, tolfenpyrad, trifloxystrobin	2025.2085
	1	Azoxystrobin, acetamiprid, carbendazim, carbofuran, chlorpyrifos, clothianidin, dimethoate, dinotefuran, famoxadone, fipronil [U], imidacloprid, kresoxim-methyl, metalaxyl, picoxystrobin [U], propiconazole, thiamethoxam, tolfenpyrad, tricyclazole [U]	2025.2068
Nuts, nut products, seeds	2	Aflatoxin B1	2025.1849
		Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.2372
	4	*Salmonella*	2025.2063
		Salmonella	2025.1952
		Salmonella	2025.1828
		Salmonella	2025.1823
Other food product/mixed	1	Ethylene oxide	2025.1946
	1	Butachlor [U]	2025.1669
Indonesia			
Fish & products	1	*Listeria monocytogenes*	2025.1528
Iran			
Fruits & vegetables	1	E220 – sulfur dioxide [H], E220 – sulfur dioxide undeclared	2025.1796
Nuts, nut products, seeds	2	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.2072
		Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.1583
Iraq			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Cadmium	2025.2369
Kenya			
Fruits & vegetables	2	Acephate [U]	2025.1705
		Acephate [U]	2025.1704
	1	Acephate [U], bifenthrin, hexaconazole [U], methamidophos [U]	2025.2028
	1	Acephate [U], methamidophos [U]	2025.1814
	1	Acephate [U], methamidophos [U]	2025.1812
	1	Indoxacarb	2025.2023
Madagascar			
Herbs & spices	1	Anthraquinone, chlorpyrifos [U], polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons sum of	2025.2305
Fruits & vegetables	1	Carbaryl	2025.1608

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Malaysia			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Carbaryl, chlorfenapyr, chlorpyriphos-ethyl, diazinon, ethion, profenofos [U]	2025.2242
Mauritius			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Perchlorate	2025.1867
Morocco			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Abamectin	2025.2103
	1	Acephate [U], chlorpyriphos-ethyl	2025.2097
	1	Cadmium migration	2025.1769
Nepal			
Honey & royal jelly	2	Grayanotoxins	2025.1625
		Grayanotoxins	2025.1605
Nicaragua			
Nuts, nut products, seeds	1	Aflatoxin B1	2025.1794
Nigeria			
Nuts, nut products, seeds	2	*Salmonella*	2025.2252
		Salmonella	2025.2003
Herbs & spices	1	*Salmonella*	2025.1971
Pakistan			
Cereals & bakery products	1	Chlorpyrifos [U]	2025.2251
	1	Acetamiprid	2025.1990
	1	Ochratoxin A	2025.1653
	1	Aflatoxin B1	2025.1613
Peru			
Fruits & vegetables	3	Cadmium migration	2025.2294
		Cadmium	2025.1743
		Cadmium	2025.1707
Philippines			
Fish & products	1	Leucomalachite green [P], Malachite green [U]	2025.1966
Sri Lanka			
Fish & products	1	Histamine	2025.2174
Fruits & vegetables	1	Fipronil [U]	2025.2364
	1	Novaluron	2025.1490
	1	Lufenuron, profenofos [U]	2025.1484
Syria			
Herbs & spices	1	Pyrrolizidine alkaloids	2025.2220
	1	Sudan 1 unauthorised colour, Sudan 2 unauthorised colour, Sudan 3 unauthorised colour, Sudan 4 unauthorised colour	2025.1676
Other food product/mixed	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.2055
Thailand			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Prochloraz	2025.1509
Herbs & spices	1	Chlorpyrifos, profenofos [U], quintozene	2025.1637
Other food product/mixed	1	DNA – poultry presence, DNA porcine presence	2025.1623
Soups, broths, sauces, condiments	1	Imidaclopride, benomil/carbendazim, chlorfenapyr, cypermethrin, orthophenylphenol [U], profenofos [U]	2025.1557

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Category	No. of alerts	Hazards*	Reference
Türkiye			
Confectionery	1	Sildenafil [U]	2025.2112
	1	Pistachio undeclared	2025.1957
Fruits & vegetables	2	Acetamiprid	2025.2199
		Acetamiprid	2025.1759
	9	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.2321
		Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.2275
		Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.2197
		Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.2163
		Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.2147
		Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.2025
		Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.1894
		Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.1750
		Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.1510
	2	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total, ochratoxin A	2025.1886
		Aflatoxin total, ochratoxin A	2025.1829
	1	Azoxystrobin, acetamiprid, difenoconazole, dithiocarbamates, flutriafol	2025.1666
	1	Diflubenzuron, pyriproxyfen	2025.2360
	1	Fenamiphos	2025.2135
	1	Formetanate	2025.1983
	1	Indoxacarb	2025.1535
	1	Methoxyfenozide	2025.1718
	3	Ochratoxin A	2025.1848
		Ochratoxin A	2025.1664
		Ochratoxin A	2025.1663
	2	Permethrin [U]	2025.2145
		Permethrin [U]	2025.1749
	1	Spirotetramat [U], chlorpyrifos-methyl, fosthiazate	2025.2257
Herbs & spices	4	Pyrrolizidine alkaloids	2025.2332
		Pyrrolizidine alkaloids	2025.1772
		Pyrrolizidine alkaloids	2025.1680
		Pyrrolizidine alkaloids	2025.1540
	1	Gluten undeclared	2025.1536
Nuts, nut products, seeds	3	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.2324
		Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.1745
		Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.1742
	1	Peanut undeclared, sesame undeclared	2025.1902

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Uganda			
Nuts, nut products, seeds	1	*Salmonella* Telaviv	2025.2180
Ukraine			
Confectionery	1	Acrylamide high level	2025.1951
Uruguay			
Meat & products (other than poultry)	1	*Escherichia coli* verotoxin producing	2025.1935
Nuts, nut products, seeds	1	Aflatoxin B1, aflatoxin total	2025.2206
Uzbekistan			
Fruits & vegetables	1	Ochratoxin A	2025.1516
Herbs & spices	1	Chlorpyrifos [U], penconazole	2025.2322
Venezuela			
Crustaceans & products	1	Sulphite [H]	2025.1784
Fruits & vegetables	1	Cadmium	2025.2211
Vietnam			
Crustaceans & products	1	Egg undeclared	2025.1562
Herbs & spices	1	Lead high content, mercury	2025.2200
Meat & products (other than poultry)	1	Nitrofuran (metabolite) furazolidone (AOZ) [P]	2025.1622
Non-alcoholic beverages	1	E 210 – benzoic acid [H]	2025.1684

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

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Table 2 RASFF notifications for feed products in March 2025		
Category	Hazards*	Reference
Egypt		
Feed materials	Biphenyl, chlorpyrifos [U]	2025.1839
India		
Feed materials	*Salmonella typhimurium*	2025.2352
Feed materials	Isoprothiolane [U]	2025.2250
Nuts, nut products, seeds	Aflatoxin B1	2025.2138
Pet food	*Enterobacteriaceae* high count	2025.2054
Feed materials	Azoxystrobin, clothianidin, difenoconazole, isoprothiolane [U], tebuconazole, thiamethoxam, tricyclazole [U]	2025.1523
Mauritania		
Feed materials	*Enterobacteriaceae* too high count	2025.1950
Thailand		
Feed materials	*Salmonella* Ohio	2025.1752

* [U], unauthorised substance.

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Table 3 RASFF notifications for food contact materials in March 2025	
Country/hazard	Reference
China	
Primary aromatic amines migration	2025.2337
Formaldehyde migration	2025.2129
Aluminium increasing migration	2025.1944
Iron migration	2025.1903
Formaldehyde migration	2025.1802
Migration overall too high level	2025.1779
Migrazione specifica cromo migrazione specifica nichel	2025.1716

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