

# Reports on non-compliance with EU food law and agri-food fraud: July 2026

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European Commission: [July 2026 Report on EU Agri-Food Fraud Suspicions](#)

## Latest notifications

The European Commission publishes monthly overviews of foods that do not comply with European Union (EU) food law, including potentially fraudulent practices that are identified and reported by EU Member State authorities.

The July 2026 report includes notifications involving the following 24 AGRINFO [partner countries](#): Argentina, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, China, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Ecuador, Ghana, Guatemala, India, Indonesia, Iran, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Lebanon, Malaysia, Moldavia, Peru, Philippines, Thailand, Türkiye, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam.

These notifications concern:

- product and record tampering (Table 1)
- unauthorised foods, ingredients and origins, and residues not compliant with maximum residue levels (MRLs) (Table 2).

The European Commission compiles these overviews of non-compliance based on information from the EU's Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed Network ([RASFF](#)), Administrative Assistance and Cooperation Network ([AAC](#)), and Agri-Food Fraud Network ([FFN](#)). These monthly overviews help agri-food exporters and competent authorities in non-EU countries to monitor and address risks that may affect trade. The reports also include non-compliances with EU rules that do not present a risk but have triggered investigations by the competent authorities of individual importing EU Member States.

This report should be read in conjunction with [RASFF notifications in July 2026](#). RASFF notifications that relate purely to consumer risk with no suspicion of fraud are not included in this report.

## Actions

Competent authorities in countries that are included in these monthly overviews should pay attention to any non-compliances identified in the reports. It is particularly important that the producers/export companies concerned are informed as soon as possible so that they can take action and prevent a recurrence. These incidents also potentially indicate a more widespread problem that may require a coordinated response by the food sector in the country concerned.

## Timeline

These reports are issued every month.

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## Tables & Figures

**Table 1: Product and record tampering**

| Country                | Products                                     | Issue                                                                              | Classification                                  |
|------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Bosnia and Herzegovina | Apricots (dried)                             | Sulfur dioxide (E 220)                                                             | Not compliant with EU maximum levels (MLs)      |
| Brazil                 | Passion fruit and dragon fruit pulp (frozen) | Sodium benzoate (E 211)                                                            | Unapproved enhancement                          |
| China                  | Duck eggs (preserved)                        | Misdeclared fat content                                                            | Product related dates, records, and information |
|                        | Sweets                                       | Carrageenan (E 407), locust bean gum (E 410), guar gum (E 412), gellan gum (E 418) | Unapproved enhancement                          |
| Côte d'Ivoire          | Palm oil                                     | Sudan 4                                                                            | Unapproved enhancement                          |
| Ecuador                | Bananas (organic)                            | Chlorpyrifos                                                                       | Organic claims                                  |
|                        | Shrimps (chilled, cooked)                    | Sulfur dioxide (E 220)                                                             | Not compliant with EU MLs                       |
| Guatemala              | Cardamom (organic)                           | 2,4-D (2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid)                                             | Organic claims                                  |
| India                  | Food supplements (e-marketed)                | Health claims                                                                      | Nutrition and health claims                     |
| Indonesia              | Catfish (Arius proops)                       | Catfish (Clarias gariepinus)                                                       | Adulteration (substitution)                     |
|                        | Sweets                                       | Palm oil instead of coconut oil                                                    | Adulteration (substitution)                     |
| Iran                   | Apple-pomegranate (dried puree)              | Ponceau 4R (E 124) / Cochineal Red A, sulfites (E 220–E 228) (undeclared)          | Unapproved enhancement                          |
| Jordan                 | Sweets                                       | Erythrosine (E 127)                                                                | Unapproved enhancement                          |
| Lebanon                | Olive oil                                    | Other vegetable oil                                                                | Adulteration (dilution)                         |
| Peru                   | Sweets                                       | Titanium dioxide (E 171)                                                           | Unapproved enhancement                          |
| Philippines            | Cake mix                                     | Sunset Yellow FCF (E 110)                                                          | Not compliant with EU MLs                       |
| Türkiye                | Chocolate                                    | Tartrazine (E 102), Allura Red AC (E 129), Brilliant Blue FCF (E 133)              | Undeclared enhancement                          |
|                        | Honey                                        | Sugar content                                                                      | Adulteration (dilution)                         |
| Uzbekistan             | Spice mix                                    | Sudan 1                                                                            | Unapproved enhancement                          |

| Country  | Products                                         | Issue                                          | Classification            |
|----------|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Viet Nam | Shrimps ( <i>Litopenaeus vannamei</i> ) (frozen) | Polyphosphates (E 452)                         | Not compliant with EU MLs |
|          | Tea (green)                                      | Tartrazine (E 102), brilliant blue FCF (E 133) | Unapproved enhancement    |

Source: based on [July 2026 Report on EU Agri-Food Fraud Suspicions](#)

**Table 2: Unauthorised foods, ingredients, origins, and residues not compliant with maximum residue levels**

| Country   | Products                                              | Issue                                                                               | Classification             |
|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Argentina | Soyabean hull pellets                                 | Genetically modified organism (GMO) HB4 IND-00410-5                                 | Not authorised in EU       |
| Brazil    | Sweets                                                | Dairy ingredients, illegal import                                                   | Smuggling                  |
| China     | Bakery products                                       | Milk and egg ingredients, illegal import                                            | Smuggling                  |
|           | Food supplements                                      | Placing on the market without registration                                          | Unauthorised origin        |
|           | Food supplements                                      | Sildenafil, tadalafil, diclofenac, Coriolus versicolor, Radix isatidis (e-marketed) | Not authorised in EU       |
|           | Food supplements (e-marketed)                         | Yohimbine, yohimbine hydrochloride, yohimbine bark extract                          | Not authorised in EU       |
|           | Miso paste                                            | GMO rice                                                                            | Not authorised in EU       |
|           | Noodles                                               | Illegal import                                                                      | Smuggling                  |
|           | Rice flour                                            | GMOs (p35S, tNOS)                                                                   | Not authorised in EU       |
|           | S-Adenosyl-L-methionine disulfate tosylate            | Novel food (unauthorised)                                                           | Not authorised in EU       |
|           | Sheep casings                                         | Semicarbazide (SEM)                                                                 | Not compliant with EU MRLs |
|           | Soft drinks                                           | Self-heal (Prunella vulgaris)                                                       | Not authorised in EU       |
|           | Tea                                                   | Illegal import                                                                      | Smuggling                  |
|           | Tilapia (Oreochromis niloticus) fillets (frozen)      | Crystal violet                                                                      | Not compliant with EU MRLs |
| Colombia  | Sauces (adobo and chilli)                             | Culantro (Eryngium foetidum), sodium bisulfite (E 222)                              | Not authorised in EU       |
| Ghana     | Prekese (Tetrapleura tetraptera) (dried)              | Novel food (unauthorised)                                                           | Not authorised in EU       |
|           | Prekese (Tetrapleura tetraptera) (palm cream, canned) | Novel food (unauthorised)                                                           | Not authorised in EU       |

| Country    | Products                                             | Issue                                                                                                        | Classification                                           |
|------------|------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| India      | Banana leaf extract (Lagerstroemia speciosa) (dried) | Absence of original certificate, unauthorised novel food                                                     | Not authorised in EU                                     |
|            | Food supplements                                     | Yohimbine, yohimbine hydrochloride, yohimbine bark extract (e-marketed)                                      | Not authorised in EU                                     |
|            | Food supplements (e-marketed)                        | Yohimbine hydrochloride, Mucuna pruriens                                                                     | Not authorised in EU                                     |
|            | Food supplements (organic)                           | Mucuna pruriens (e-marketed)                                                                                 | Not authorised in EU                                     |
|            | Ground ginger (organic)                              | Chlorpyrifos, metolcarb                                                                                      | Residue of pesticides not approved for use in EU         |
|            | Shrimps (Litopenaeus vannamei) (frozen)              | Nitrofurant (metabolite) nitrofurazone (SEM)                                                                 | Not compliant with EU MRLs                               |
|            | Sweets                                               | Dairy ingredients, illegal import                                                                            | Smuggling                                                |
| Kazakhstan | Buckwheat                                            | Traceability defects (missing identification code on individual packaging)                                   | Others (implicit claim violations)                       |
| Lebanon    | Spice mix                                            | Irradiation (undeclared)                                                                                     | Unauthorised origin (country, operators, establishments) |
| Malaysia   | Food supplements                                     | Paracetamol, sildenafil, tongkat ali (Eurycoma longifolia) marketed as "honey"                               | Not authorised in EU                                     |
|            | Food supplements                                     | Sildenafil, tongkat ali (Eurycoma longifolia)                                                                | Not authorised in EU                                     |
| Moldavia   | Food products                                        | Illegal transport, unauthorised operators, traceability defects (absence of labelling)                       | Smuggling                                                |
| Thailand   | Food products                                        | Illegal import, misdeclaration of goods (plant-based products declared instead of products of animal origin) | Smuggling                                                |
|            | Food supplements (e-marketed)                        | Yohimbine, yohimbine hydrochloride, yohimbine bark extract                                                   | Not authorised in EU                                     |
| Türkiye    | Tea                                                  | Sibutramine                                                                                                  | Not authorised in EU                                     |

| Country  | Products        | Issue                                 | Classification             |
|----------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Ukraine  | Muscimol powder | Unauthorised novel food               | Not authorised in EU       |
|          | Soft drinks     | Echinacea extract                     | Not authorised in EU       |
| Viet Nam | Frog legs       | Nitrofurant (metabolite), florfenicol | Not compliant with EU MRLs |

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