Revised list of plants susceptible to Xylella fastidiosa

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Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/1706 as regards the lists of plants known to be susceptible to *Xylella fastidiosa*

What is changing and why?

This new Regulation concerns *Xylella fastidiosa*, a quarantine and priority pest in the EU. It updates the list of host plants susceptible to this pathogen, with the addition of *Citrus limon* (lemon), *Arbutus unedo* (strawberry tree), and *Ficus carica* (fig), among others.

The inclusion of these species does not involve specific import requirements for their fruits. Import requirements are set only for plants for planting (other than seeds). However, consistent with the treatment of all EU quarantine pests, if *X. fastidiosa* is detected in any plant or plant product consignment, it will be refused market access to the EU.

Timeline

In force from September 2023.

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