

## Revision of the EU geographical indications scheme

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Regulation (EU) <u>2024/1143</u> on geographical indications for wine, spirit drinks and agricultural products, as well as traditional specialities guaranteed and optional quality terms for agricultural products, amending Regulations (EU) No 1308/2013, (EU) 2019/787 and (EU) 2019/1753 and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012.

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) <u>2025/26</u> laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 as regards registrations, amendments, cancellations, enforcement of the protection, labelling and communication in respect of geographical indications and traditional specialities guaranteed, and amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/34 as regards geographical indications in the wine sector, and repealing Implementing Regulations (EU) No 668/2014 and (EU) 2021/1236

Commission Delegated Regulations of 30 October 2024: 2025/27; 2025/28; 2025/29

### What is changing and why?

Regulation <u>2024/1143</u> replaces many of the previous rules (Regulation 1151/2012) on geographical indications (GIs) for wine, spirit drinks, and agri-food products, as well as on traditional specialities guaranteed (TSGs). It simplifies and aligns procedures related to GIs and TSGs, including applications for new registrations, changes to a registration, controls, and labelling, among others.

Additional related Regulations <u>2025/26</u> and <u>2025/27</u> provide more detail, and Regulation <u>2025/29</u> repeals some previous rules. Regulation <u>2025/28</u> aligns the existing rules on GI and TSG specifically for wine.

Some of the changes introduced by these new Regulations are:

- extending protection of GIs to information provided on websites and domain names accessible in the EU
- setting rules about the use of symbols indicating protected geographical indication (PGI),
   protected designation of origin (PDO), and TSG on the packaging of agri-food products
- providing specific symbols for producers to use that identify PGI, PDO, and TSG products
- providing easy access to information on registered names, product specifications, and status updates on ongoing applications via the EU's digital GI register eAmbrosia
- enabling electronic submissions on eAmbrosia of applications for registration of GIs and TSGs, and for changes to registered names





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- providing standard templates to use for each step of the procedures linked to GI (registration, amendments, etc.) (see Table 1)
- enabling operators to obtain an attestation of compliance for a registered PDO, PGI, or TSG
  if their agri-food products or spirit drinks comply with the product specification.

The GIs and TSG schemes protect the names of products with unique characteristics that are linked to their geographical origin and traditional know-how. Geographical indications are intellectual property, and so are important for trade between the EU and other countries. For more information on GI and other EU quality schemes, see <u>Geographical indications for agricultural products and foodstuffs explained</u>.

By setting a uniform system of recognition and protection throughout the EU for the intellectual property rights linked to GI, these Regulations contribute to better consumer understanding of the different quality symbols.

### **Actions**

These new rules do not create a significant additional workload for non-EU applicants registering GIs or TSGs within the EU.

More details about applying for registration of GIs can be found in <u>Geographical indications for</u> <u>agricultural products and foodstuffs explained</u>.

Products from non-EU countries with a protected name (GI or TSG) can only be placed on the EU market if accompanied by an attestation of compliance following verification by the national competent authorities or a product certification body. The attestation of compliance can be provided in paper or electronic form.

#### **Timeline**

All the provisions of Regulation 2024/1143 apply from 1 January 2025.

The related Regulations 2025/26, 2025/27, 2025/28, and 2025/29 apply from 18 January 2025.

For more information see the <u>full record</u> on the AGRINFO website – where you can also view the latest <u>AGRINFO Update</u> newsletters and <u>search</u> the database.





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	Standard templates in Annexes to Regulation 2025/26
Annex	Topic
I	Single document for PGI and PDO:
	Part I agricultural products
	Part II wine
	Part III spirit drinks
II	Opposition to GI
Ш	Notification of the results of consultations following the opposition procedure for GI
IV	Application to amend a product specification of an EU registered GI
V	Communication of approval of a standard amendment to a GI
VI	Communication of approval of a temporary amendment to a GI
VII	Request for cancellation of a GI – if compliance with the product specification can no longer be ensured, or no product covered by the GI has been placed on the market for 7 consecutive years
VIII	Request for cancellation of a GI – on request by producers of the product
IX	Official attestation or listing of an operator compliant with a product specification for GI
Х	Product specification of a TSG
ΧI	Opposition to TSG
XII	Notification of the results of consultations following the opposition procedure for TSG
XIII	Application to amend a product specification of a TSG
XIV	Request for cancellation of a TSG – if compliance with the product specification can no longer be ensured, or no product covered by the TSG has been placed on the market for 7 consecutive years
xv	Request for cancellation of a TSG – on request by producers of the product
XVI	Official attestation or listing of an operator compliant with a product specification for TSG
XVII	Reproduction of the EU symbols and indications of use for PDO, PGI, and TSG
XVIII	Classification of products for TSG
	hical indication; PDO, protected designation of origin; PGI, protected geographical indication; onal speciality guaranteed.  **JAGRINFO**  WWW.agrinfo.eu

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