Temporary derogation for verification of consignments for import into the EU and issuance of certificates of organic inspection

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Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2024/3095 of 29 July 2024 amending Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/1698 as regards the certification of certain operators and groups of operators in third countries and the controls performed by control authorities and control bodies on their organic products

What is changing and why?

The new EU Organic Regulation (EU) 2018/848 brought in a new compliance regime with many associated changes, with a 3 year transition period for control bodies in non-EU countries from 1 January 2022.

Under the new rules, the intention was originally that from **1 January 2025,** all organic certification is based on compliance with Regulation 2018/848, and must be conducted by a control authority or control body recognised by the EU under the compliance scheme. However, the EU has now adopted a temporary derogation (exemption) of the new rules for the period from 1 January to 15 October 2025 as there have been delays in EU recognition of control bodies.

Between **1 January to 15 October 2025**, a certificate of organic inspection can still be issued for products supplied by operators and groups of operators that have a valid organic certificate under the old equivalence regime, and whose application under the new compliance regime is pending on 31 December 2024. The certificate can only be issued by control authorities and control bodies that are officially recognised under the new compliance regime (listed under Regulation (EU) 2021/1378). For those operators whose application under the new compliance regime is pending, documents issued to operators under the old regime will remain valid for imports into the EU after 31 December 2024, until their expiry date, or at the latest 15 October 2025.

Timeline

This Regulation enters into force on 12 December 2024.

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