

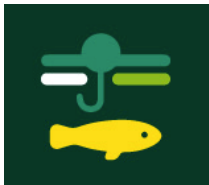


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Welcome to Issue 55 of AGRINFO UPDATE. The European Union has announced a review of its fisheries policy, and is collecting feedback from all stakeholders. There are also open consultations on the EU's approach to defining high-risk organic products, and on amended specifications for infant formula. The EU has published Regulations increasing official controls on specific foods considered to be high risk; raising acetamiprid maximum residue levels (MRLs) on certain products; and making changes to the CATCH system for EU fish imports. A new AGRINFO explainer provides a simple overview of changes to EU packaging rules. And – you can register now for our new September–October webinar series on how companies and competent authorities can use the EU's TRACES system for veterinary and plant health certificates.

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New Regulations or policies under development



Common Fisheries Policy

- EU publishes its [Ocean Pact](#): A roadmap for an Ocean Union
- EU Common Fisheries Policy [external strategy](#): review and call for evidence. Feedback to EU by **15 September**



Trade policy

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Organic production

EU to clarify criteria for placing organic products on a high risk list.
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Food supplements/dietetic foods

EU proposes amended specifications for protein hydrolysates in infant and follow-on formula. Feedback by **14 September**

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Official controls

EU amends official controls on certain foods from **Colombia, Egypt, Ethiopia, India, Sri Lanka, Syria, Türkiye**

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Pesticide MRLs

EU amends acetamiprid MRLs for plums; linseeds; poppy, mustard, and gold of pleasure seeds; soybeans; and honey. Applies from **19 August 2025**

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Official controls

EU amends certain requirements for meat inspection and health marks. Applies from **10 August 2025**

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Common Fisheries Policy

CATCH system: EU adopts harmonised benchmarks for port inspections, simplified fishing certificates, and prior notification forms. Applies from **10 January 2026**

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Feed additives

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Explainers



Packaging

New EU packaging rules explained

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