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## LATEST

### *New Regulations or policies under development*



#### **Geographical indications**

EU proposes revisions to wine labelling  
**EU consultation – deadline 23 February 2023**

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#### **Additional/emergency controls**

EU increases official controls on food and feed from certain non-EU countries

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#### **Trade policy**

Proposed new regulation revising the generalised scheme of tariff preferences (GSP), and the ongoing discussions between the European institutions

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### *Explainer*



#### **Blue economy**

The EU's blue economy strategy explained

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## Changes notified to World Trade Organization

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### Pesticides

EU proposes to withdraw authorisation approval of the active substance ipconazole. **WTO TBT consultation – deadline 11 March 2023**

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### Pesticide MRLs

EU proposes to reduce MRLs for bifenazate to limit of determination on all products with impact on certain fruits, nuts, vegetables, oilseeds and animal products. **WTO SPS consultation – deadline 18 March 2023**

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## New Regulations coming into force and application dates



### Animal health

New animal health/official certificates for composite products containing dairy products and colostrum **from 15 January 2023**

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### Contaminants

New maximum levels from **1 January 2023** for:

- [dioxins and PCBs](#) (certain animal products including eggs, milk, dairy products)
- [hydrocyanic acid](#) (linseed, almonds, cassava)
- [perfluoroalkyl substances](#) (certain fish, shellfish, animal products)
- [ochratoxin A](#) (dried fruits, liquorice, herbs, herbal infusions, oilseeds, nuts, cocoa powder, non-alcoholic malt beverages, date syrup)



### New pesticide MRLs

Changes will apply from **8 August 2023** affecting:

- [benalaxyl](#) (tomatoes, aubergines)
- [bromoxynil](#) (sweetcorn, chives, cereals, animal products)
- [chlorsulfuron](#) (linseed, cereals)
- [epoxiconazole](#) (bananas, cabbages, peas, all cereals, all spices, sugar plants, animal products)
- [fenamiphos](#) (grapes, tomatoes, sweet peppers, aubergines, sugar beet)



## New pesticide MRLs

Changes will apply from **12 August 2023** affecting:

- [cyromazine](#) (all products)
- [topramezone](#) (pulses, oilseeds, oil fruits)
- [triflumizole](#) (tomatoes, aubergines, cucumbers, gherkins, courgettes)

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