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Welcome to Issue 71 of AGRINFO UPDATE. This issue highlights two new EU proposals on contaminants in infant and baby foods that have been notified to the World Trade Organization, as well as proposals on pesticide maximum residue levels (MRLs) – and remember to check our new [Pesticide MRL Tracker](#) to see further possible MRL changes under discussion.

There have been changes to the number of companies that must report under the EU's Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD), as well as the information they must provide. The EU has now issued helpful guidance and FAQ documents on the new packaging rules. Also – see the new AGRINFO Explainer on the major EU initiatives to improve its recycling of plastic.

Finally, this issue highlights the latest overviews of food imports where food fraud was identified, as well as RASFF notifications due to the presence of pesticides and contaminants.

LATEST

New Regulations or policies under development



Packaging

The EU has now published Guidance and Frequently Asked Questions on the new packaging rules

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Changes notified to World Trade Organization

Send feedback via your [National SPS/TBT notification authority](#) within the 60-day time limit



Pesticide MRLs

EU proposes to:

- revise MRLs for [cypermethrin](#) and set MRLs for [alpha-cypermethrin](#) – feedback to WTO by **1 May**
- amend MRLs for [difenoconazole](#) on various products – feedback to WTO by **3 May**



Contaminants

EU proposes to:

- reduce [glycidol and 3-MCPD](#) maximum levels in infant formula and food
- set maximum levels for [furan, 2-methylfuran, and 3-methylfuran](#) in processed cereal-based foods for infants/young children, and in baby food

– feedback to WTO on both proposals by **26 May**

New Regulations coming into force and application dates



Sustainability

CSRD: EU amends obligations on companies to report sustainability information

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Tariffs & quotas

EU simplifies legal sources on representative prices for poultrymeat and eggs, and corrects water/protein ratio for frozen beef – applies from **1 April 2026**

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Pesticide MRLs

EU increases MRLs for:

- [cyflufenamid](#) on berries/small fruits and parsley
- [fenazaquin](#) on tomatoes, sweet peppers, and aubergines/eggplants

Apply from **20 April 2026**

Reports on non-compliance



Official controls

- 36 AGRINFO partner countries received [RASFF notifications](#) in February 2026
- Latest EU overview of [food found not to comply with EU law](#)

Explainers



Packaging

EU's recycled plastic packaging strategy – explained

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