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Welcome to Issue 27 of AGRINFO UPDATE. This issue reports on the EU's introduction in June of additional controls on imports of certain foods from Burkina Faso, India, Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Uganda, and Vietnam due to concerns about potential health risks. We also highlight opportunities to give feedback on the EU's new approach to managing the risks associated with listeria in ready-to-eat foods; and on proposed maximum residue limits (MRLs) for thiacloprid. Newly published Regulations include revisions to the market standards for olive oils, and amended MRLs on numerous substances, including the alignment of EU MRLs to Codex MRLs for six pesticides.

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# LATEST

# New Regulations or policies under development



### **Common Fisheries Policy**

EU and Cook Islands fisheries agreement – call for evidence. Feedback to EU by **20 June** 

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### **Organic production**

European Commission proposes to allow more options for presenting its organic production logo

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**Changes notified to World Trade Organization** Send feedback via your **<u>National SPS/TBT notification authority</u>** within the 60-day time limit



### Food safety

EU to extend criteria for *Listeria monocytogenes* in ready-to-eat food to cover the whole food chain. <u>WTO SPS consultation</u> – deadline **16 July** 

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# Pesticide MRLs

European Commission issues new proposal on MRLs for thiacloprid on certain products. <u>WTO SPS consultation</u> – deadline **7 July** 

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New Regulations coming into force and application dates



# Additional/emergency controls

EU increases official controls on certain foods from specific non-EU countries. Applies from **late June 2024** 

# **Product marketing standards**

EU amends  $\Delta$ -7-stigmastenol limits in olive oil. Applies from **10 June 2024** 

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### **Pesticide MRLs**

From **5 June 2024**: EU raises MRLs for <u>prothioconazole</u> on sugar beet roots and chicory roots

From 11 June 2024: EU adopts Codex MRLs for:

- <u>chlorantraniliprole</u> on avocados and teas
- emamectin on kales, teas, and animal products
- benzovindiflupyr, quinclorac, and spiromesifenin on various products

EU amends MRLs for <u>triflumuron</u> with impacts on apples, pears, apricots, peaches, and plums

From **5 December 2024**: EU reduces MRLs for <u>dithianon</u> on apples and pears

From **11 December 2024**: EU lowers MRLs for <u>thiabendazole</u> on avocados and papayas

EU amends MRLs for:

- <u>deltamethrin</u> with impacts on fruits, vegetables, oilseeds, and spices
- <u>metalaxyl</u> with impacts on lemons, apples, pears, onions, globe artichokes, and soyabeans
- trifloxystrobin with impacts on passion fruit and Chinese cabbage



# Reports



# Plant health

Report on plant health (EUROPHYT) interceptions in April 2024

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