

AGRINFO UPDATE 86 (2026)

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This issue of AGRINFO UPDATE highlights the revised documentation required to export molluscs to the European Union (EU); the latest clarifications to rules on recycled plastic packaging; and more information on how to use the new Electronic system for Agricultural Non-customs formalities (ELAN) for issuing quota-related documents.

Stakeholders can give feedback on proposals relating to plant health certification, including new additions to the EU's quarantine pest list and new import requirements related to false codling moth.

And – we invite you to register for our next AGRINFO webinar sharing practical guidance on upcoming new packaging rules.

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AGRINFO Communications Feedback Survey



We're reviewing how AGRINFO shares information about EU rules and policies affecting agri-food and fish value chains. Your feedback will help us understand what information matters most to you, how you use our services, and what we could do better. Please respond to our brief survey before **Monday 23 November** (12 PM UTC) – it takes just a few minutes to complete. Thank you!

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Events



New packaging rules – Webinar

Register now for AGRINFO's **2 December** webinar on the EU Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR) for practical guidance on the new rules coming into force

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New EU Regulations or policies proposed and under development



Pesticide MRLs

EU to increase MRLs from **early 2027** for:

- acetamiprid on plums, soyabeans, parsley, rosemary, basil and edible flowers
- cycloxydim and mepiquat on honey
- ethofumesate on carrots
- folpet on bananas and honey

For an overview of all upcoming and recent MRL changes, visit the AGRINFO Pesticide MRL Tracker

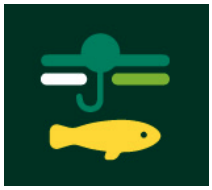
Give your feedback on proposed changes



Plant health certification

- EU updates its **list of Union quarantine pests** and proposed plant health import requirements – send feedback until **29 December**
- EU proposes **updated CN codes** to clarify which *Solanum* fruits must meet specific phytosanitary requirements – send feedback until **27 December**

Newly published changes and application dates



Food safety

EU clarifies hygiene rules for bivalve molluscs, updates its registration document, and sets a mandatory date of **19 November 2028** for issuing registration documents via TRACES

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Packaging

- EU updates rules on **recycled plastic production and traceability** of food packaging
- EU authorises the use of **multiple substances in plastic food contact materials**

Both apply from **18 November 2026**



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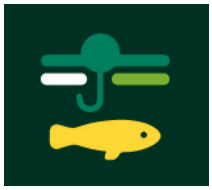
European Commission sets out procedure for requesting temporary derogations (authorised exemptions) from plant health import bans or specific requirements – applies from **30 November 2026**

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Trade (quotas)

- European Commission publishes instructions on how to use the **ELAN1L-TCDOC data model**, which will be mandatory from **17 January 2028**
- **Documents submitted to ELAN on a voluntary basis** before January 2028 can now have legal value – applies from **5 November 2026**



Common Fisheries Policy

EU publishes its Vision 2040 for fisheries and aquaculture

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