



Welcome to Issue 32 of AGRINFO UPDATE. This issue lists several new Regulations that are coming into force (and their dates) following earlier public consultation. There are three new opportunities to send feedback to the World Trade Organization concerning organic production and pesticides, including proposed amendments to the maximum residue levels for dithiocarbamates (covering maneb and mancozeb, among others). AGRINFO UPDATE explains how to send feedback and highlights the deadlines.

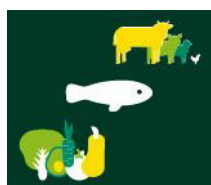
Issue 32 also includes the June summaries of RASFF and plant health (EUROPHYT) interceptions, and reports on non-compliances with EU food law and agri-food fraud. It is important to follow up these reports – each incident potentially indicates a more widespread problem that would require a coordinated response by the authorities and operators in the countries concerned.

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## LATEST

### *Changes notified to World Trade Organization*

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



#### **Organic production**

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EU to move away from 100% controls of high-risk organic products.  
Feedback by **3 September**



#### **Pesticides**

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EU proposes not to renew approval of metribuzin. Feedback by **10 September**



#### **Pesticide MRLs**

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EU proposes to amend maximum residue levels for dithiocarbamates.  
Feedback by **20 September**

## Latest on Private Standards



### Private standards

Marine Stewardship Council publishes updated Fisheries Standard (v3.1).  
In effect from **1 February 2024**

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## New Regulations coming into force and application dates



### Animal health

EU model health certificates for animal products adapted to cover antimicrobials. New model must be in use by **3 September 2024**

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### Contaminants

EU sets maximum levels for nickel in certain foods. Applies from **1 July 2025**

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### Plant health

EU amends its listing of plant pests, and rules on the introduction of plants and plant products. Applies from **15 August 2024**

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### Food additives

EU bans the use of smoke flavouring primary products. Applies from **1 July 2026** (with some exceptions)

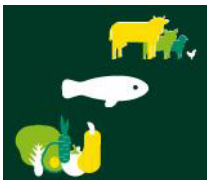
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### Common Fisheries Policy

European Commission amends some fishing opportunities for stocks outside EU waters based on outcomes of consultations

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### Labelling

EU revokes health claim for monacolin K in red yeast rice. Applies from **19 August 2024**

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### Novel/traditional foods

EU authorises sale of Bambara (*Vigna subterranea*) seeds and seed flour. Applies from **19 August 2024**

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**Novel/traditional foods**

Latest novel food authorisations, amended uses, and extensions (July 2024)

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**Monthly EU overviews for June 2024**

- 35 [AGRINFO partner countries](#) received [RASFF](#) notifications, including 167 on food products
- 98 plant health ([EUROPHYT](#)) interceptions due to harmful organisms involving 25 partner countries; 308 interceptions due to other non-conformities involving 35 partner countries
- Reports on non-compliance with EU food law and [agri-food fraud](#) involving 35 partner countries

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