



Welcome to Issue 4 of AGRINFO UPDATE – a regular information service keeping you up-to-date on evolving EU policies, regulations and standards that have potential impacts on agricultural value chains in low- and middle-income countries.

Find links below to our [database](#), where we give clear summaries about recent and upcoming changes, and actions that companies or authorities need to take to meet the new rules.

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LATEST

New Regulations or policies under development



Deforestation

New EU rules to reduce deforestation related to production and import into the EU of cattle, cocoa, coffee, palm oil and soya

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Changes notified to World Trade Organization

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Pesticides

EU does not intend to renew approval of the active substance dimoxystrobin. **WTO TBT consultation – deadline 16 May 2023**

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New Regulations coming into force and application dates



Contaminants

EU lowers maximum levels of arsenic in some types of rice, and fixes new levels in some rice products, infant foods, fruit juices and salt – applies from **26 March 2023**

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Veterinary residues

EU introduces MRL for toltrazuril in eggs – applies from **23 March 2023**

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Novel/traditional foods

EU authorises sale of roasted makhana kernels

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Novel/traditional foods

EU authorises sale of dried kenari nuts

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Food safety

Public health list of countries that can export to EU. Added: Azerbaijan, Lebanon, Moldova, also Thailand for triangular trade. Delisted: Colombia, Rwanda, Syria – applies from **29 March 2023**

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Animal health

EU suspends imports of poultry and game bird meat and products from Argentina after HPAI outbreak – applies from **11 March 2023**

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Animal health

EU adds Moldova to the list of countries authorised to export poultry products and eggs to the EU – applies from **29 March 2023**

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New pesticide MRLs

Changes will apply from **26 September 2023** affecting:

- [isoxaben](#) (all products)
- [novaluron](#) (fruits, vegetables, animal products)
- [tetraconazole](#) (fruits, vegetables, oilseeds, cereals, sugar plants, animal products)



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