



# Official Controls Regulation: implementation of empowerment in Article 77.1(d)

Performance of specific controls on wood packaging  
material

**Preliminary views –  
no decision is undertaken to take this initiative**

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## Article 77.1(d) Rules for specific official controls

The Commission **shall adopt delegated acts to supplement OCR** concerning rules for the **performance** of specific official controls **and measures** in cases of non-compliances for **wood packaging material**.

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## Definition

- **'wood packaging material'** means wood or wood products used in supporting, protecting or carrying a commodity, in the form of packing cases, boxes, crates, drums and similar packings, pallets, box pallets and other load boards, pallet collars and dunnage, whether or not actually in use in the transport of objects of all kinds; processed wood produced by glue, heat or pressure or a combination thereof and packaging material entirely composed of wood of 6 mm of thickness or less are excluded

- Reported in Commission implementing decision 2013/92/EC and in Commission implementing decision 2012/535/EU (emergency measures for WPM from China and pinewood nematode respectively).



## Proposal to include in delegated act Article 77.1(d)

- WPM shall be subject to plant health checks verifying **compliance with import conditions** of Article 43(1) of Regulation (EC) 2016/2031
- Plant health checks shall take **place at the point of entry into Union or at approved place of destination** (in line with the rules currently listed in Commission Directive 2004/103/EC)
- Competent authorities shall **develop monitoring plan** based on risk approach
- MS should submit **report once a year** concerning checks carried out, non-compliances detected and actions taken – via IMSOC



## Measures in case of non-compliances

- Article 66 of Regulation (No) 2017/625
  - Re-dispatch
  - Destroy
  - Special treatment
- In case of re-dispatch movement, under supervision, in accordance with the appropriate customs procedure.
- Whatever option will be chosen, CA shall take actions in a proper and timely way to avoid any risk of spreading union quarantine pests

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*Thank you for your attention*

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