



Legal implementation of the EU Plant Health regime

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Implementing and delegated acts for applying the EU plant health regime

**PLANT HEALTH
REGULATION (EU)
2016/2031**

+

**OFFICIAL
CONTROLS
REGULATION (EU)
2017/625**

All essential
delegated and
implementing acts
are in place

**Complementary
acts** adopted in
2021 and 2022



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Plant Health Regulation High risk plants

Commission Implementing **Regulation (EU) 2018/2019**

Receiving dossiers from non-EU countries to make the full risk assessment
by November 2023: **92 dossiers received**

90 accepted as 'complete' at COM level and
53 assessed by EFSA

38 finalised with

- Implementing **Regulations amending Regulation (EU) 2018/2019**
- Implementing **Regulation (EU) 2020/1213 + amendments** with specific requirements for specified plants from specified countries



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Plant Health Regulation

Annexes of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072

- ❖ **Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072 contains 14 technical Annexes listing regulated pests, measures on commodities and rules on certification**
- ❖ **A new comprehensive review is being prepared**
- ❖ **A draft amendment of the Annexes has been submitted for consultation under the WTO/SPS procedure**

List of measures

- Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/288 - frequency of checks on wood packaging material
- Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/292 – bonsai from Japan
- Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/434 – measures against *Agrilus planipennis*
- Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/589 – update of demarcated areas for containment of *Aleurocanthus spiniferus* (Quaintance)
- Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/594 – update of demarcated areas for containment of *Ceratocystis platani* (J.M. Walter) Engelbr. & T.C. Harr



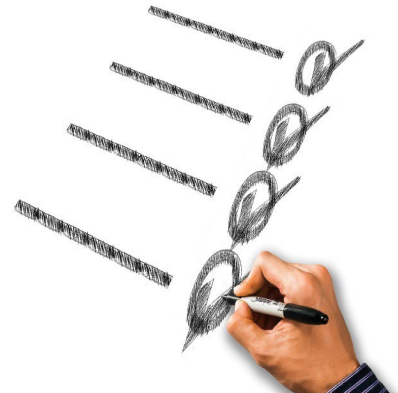
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Official Controls Regulation

Frequency of import checks

Art.54.3 OCR frequency of import checks

- ➔ Adoption of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/591
- ➔ 100% controls on plants for planting and plants/plant products / other objects subject to the special measures of Art. 28 and 30
- ➔ Reduced frequencies for 53 commodities (cut flowers, fruits, vegetables, used machinery) listed in the Annex on the basis of new data of interceptions





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Plant Health Regulation

Commission proposal for amendment of Regulation (EU) 2016/2031

Commission proposal to amend several provisions of Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 - COM(2023) 661 final

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:52023PC0661>

It introduces rationalisation and reduction of reporting obligations, amendments of import rules, clarification of legal bases for temporary measures, empowerments to establish procedures for high risk plants, temporary derogations and movement of plants without attaching plant passports

It was voted by the plenary session of the European Parliament on 24 April 2024.

To be published and enter into force in autumn.





Update on plant and forest reproductive material legislation

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Revision of the plant and forest reproductive material legislation

- Adoption of PRM and FRM proposals: 5 July 2023
- Feedback through ‘Have your say’: 7 December 2023
- Examination of legal proposals in Council ongoing
- The European Parliament completed the first readings on 24 April 2024.