



**PLANT HEALTH LEGISLATION
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Progress on the implementation of the new Plant Health Law

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Plant passports – IA+DA

- Working/Expert Group and PAFF meetings: January - October 2018
- Plant Passports DA (criteria to be fulfilled by authorised operators – Art. 89(2)):

Stakeholder consultation through Better Regulation Portal: December 2018

- Adoption by the Commission in January 2019
- EP and Council: February 2019
- Plant Passports IA (exceptions for final users in protected zones (Art. 81(1) and technical rules on traceability codes – Art. 83(3)):

Stakeholder consultation: 1ST quarter 2019

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High risk plants and plants excepted from PC (IA)

Legal bases: Art. 42(2) and 73

- **Stakeholder consultation completed (August 2018)**
- Technical agreement reached at PAFF in September 2018
- SPS consultation ending 25 November 2018
- To be voted in PAFF on 10 December 2018
- To be adopted a few days later
- Date of application: 14 December 2019



Plant Health Regulation Procedures for the assessment of high risk plants Legal basis: Article 42(6)

- The IA establishes procedures for the full risk assessment of high risk plants by EFSA
- Discussions in PAFF (September – November 2018)
- **Stakeholder consultation completed (15 November 2018)**
- To be voted in PAFF 10 December
- EFSA Technical Report listing the information that third countries have to submit for the risk assessment to be carried out (published on 31 October 2018)



Plant Health Regulation Priority pests (DA) Legal basis: Art. 6

- JRC and EFSA support (June 2017 – May 2019);
 - Development of a methodology to identify the priority pests;
 - Implementation of the methodology taking into account available data (e.g. MS inputs);
- Expert Group support (first half 2019);
- **Stakeholder consultation (June 2019);**
- Commission's adoption of the Delegated Act (summer 2019);
- Entry into force, following 2-months' period of Council and EP right of objection (second half 2019);

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Update of pests and measures (IA)

Legal bases: Art. 5, 37, 40, 41, 72, 74, 79, 80

- Update of Annexes I to V of Directive 2000/29/EC
- Discussions at PAFF started in October 2018
- **Stakeholder consultation (first half 2019)**
- SPS notification (first half 2019)
- Discussion and vote at PAFF (first half 2019)
- Adoption of IA by the Commission (second half 2019)

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Movement of scientific material (DA)

Legal bases: Art. 8(5) and 48(5) of PH Regulation

- Expert Groups (first half 2018)
- **Stakeholder consultation completed**
- Adoption by the Commission of the DA (January 2019)
- Council and EP (January or February 2019)
- Entry into force (March or April 2019)



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Release of material from quarantine stations (IA)

Legal basis: 64(3)

- Working Group (March - September 2018)
- Discussion at PAFF (1st quarter 2019)
- Stakeholder consultation (1st quarter 2019)
- PAFF vote and adoption by Commission (2nd quarter 2018)

Official controls – Designation of EU Reference Laboratories (IA) Legal basis: Art. 93(1)

- Calls for selection(2nd and 3rd quarter 2018)
- Adoption of Commission Decision in December 2018
- New call for fungi EURLs (ending) – IA on the designation of that EURL to be adopted later
- **No stakeholders consultation required**

N.B. No vote of the Standing Committee required

Official controls – Minimum frequencies (IA) Legal basis: Art. 22

- Stakeholder consultation completed 25 November (no comments)
- Discussion and vote at PAFF on 10 December 2018
- The empowerment is used to establish minimum and uniform import rules for goods falling under article 73 of the Plant Health Regulation.

Plant Health & Awareness Raising

- Creation of EU Plant Health Awareness Raising Expert Group
- Foster knowledge sharing between Member States for implementation of national /regional awareness raising campaigns
- Second meeting took place on 28 September 2018

Thank you for your attention