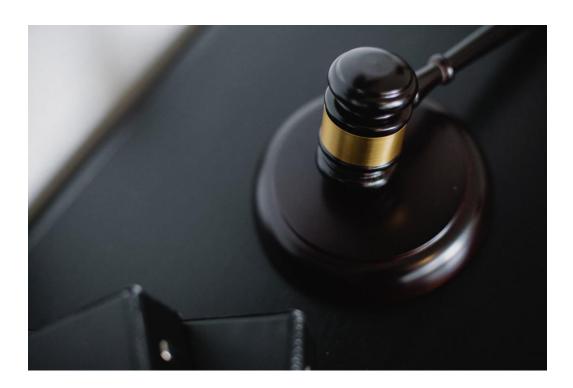




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Legislation

Some products exempted from official controls at border checkpoints

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/2122 sets out rules on the cases in which and conditions under which certain categories of animals and goods forming part of passengers' personal luggage are exempt from official controls at border checkpoints. As certain low-risk, shelf-stable composite products not containing meat are exempt from official controls at border checkpoints, the lists of exempted composite products in both delegated regulations need to be adapted. Public Gazette EU L 216 of 1 September 2023, p. 1

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2023/1674 of 19 June 2023 amending Delegated Regulation (EU) 2021/630 as regards the inclusion, in the list of composite products exempt from official controls at border checkpoints, of certain sandwich spreads and preparations for drinks containing cocoa certain prepared foods derived from cereals or cereal products, certain prepared foods derived from rice and other cereals, certain discs and crisps, and certain sauces and condiments, and amending Annexes I and III to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/2122.

Product specification of Los Pedroches amended

EU Official Journal L 206 of 21 August 2023, p. 69

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/1645 of 17 August 2023 approving a non-minor amendment to the specification of a name entered in the register of protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications ("Los Pedroches" (PDO))

Safety assessment of Bis(2-ethylhexyl)cyclohexane-1,4-dicarboxylate when used in food contact materials

EU Official Journal L 201 of 11 August 2023, p. 4

Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/1627 of 10 August 2023 amending Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 10/2011 as regards the authorisation of the substance bis(2-ethylhexyl)cyclohexane-1,4-dicarboxylate (FCM No 1079).

Effect of choline on liver function evaluated

EFSA Journal 2023;21(7):8115

Choline and contribution to normal liver function of the foetus and exclusively breastfed infants: evaluation of a health claim pursuant to Article 14 of Regulation (EC) No 1924/2006.

Българско кисело мляко/Bulgarsko kiselo mlyako (Bulgarian dairy product) and Gower Salt Marsh Lamb (fresh meat) from the United Kingdom entered in the PDO register

EU Official Journal L 186 of 25 July 2023, p. 19

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/1531 of 18 July 2023 entering a name in the Register of Protected Designations of Origin and Protected Geographical Indications ('Българско кисело мляко/Bulgarsko kiselo mlyako' (PDO)).

EU Official Journal L 188 of 27 July 2023, p. 28

Commission Implementing Regulation (Eu) 2023/1547 of 26 July 2023 entering a name in the register of protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications ('Gower Salt Marsh Lamb' (PDO)).

Despite objections from Italy, Spain and Switzerland, French meat products have been entered in PGI register

EU Official Journal L 188 of 27 July 2023, p. 24

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/1546 of 26 July 2023 entering a name in the register of protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications 'Pancetta de l'Ile

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de Beauté/Panzetta de l'IIe de Beauté' (PGI), 'Saucissonsec de l'IIe de Beauté/Salciccia de l'IIe de Beauté' (PGI), 'Bulagna de l'IIe de Beauté' (PGI) and 'Figatelli de l'IIe de Beauté/Figatellu de l'IIe de Beauté' (PGI).

Pesticide glyphosate reassessed by EFSA on application France, Hungary, Netherlands and Sweden

EFSA Journal 2023;21(7):8164

Peer review of the pesticide risk assessment of the active substance glyphosate.

MRLs of nicotine in tea, seeds and fruits adjusted

EU Official Journal L 187 of 26 July 2023, p. 6

Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/1536 of 25 July 2023 amending Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for nicotine in or on certain products

Pesticide residue monitoring programme in EU

EU Official Journal L 95 of 4 April 2023, p. 28

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/731 of 3 April 2023 concerning a coordinated multiannual Union control programme for 2024, 2025 and 2026 to ensure compliance with maximum residue levels of pesticides and to assess the consumer exposure to pesticide residues in and on food of plant and animal origin, and repealing Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/741 (Text with EEA relevance).

Directive on fraudulent practices in the agri-food chain

European Commission news of 31 March 2023

Food fraud: Commission publishes guidance on fighting fraudulent and deceptive practices in the agri-food chain.

Between September and November 2022, 91 requests for PDOs and PGIs

Publication Bulletin EU C 113 of 28 March 2023, p. 7

Commission Implementing Decision of 27 March 2023 adopting a list of geographical indications protected under Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council for which applications for international registration are to be submitted pursuant to Article 2 of Regulation (EU) 2019/1753 of the European Parliament and of the Council 2023/C 113/07. Publication Journal EU C 113 of 28 March 2023, p. 10

Commission Implementing Decision of 27 March 2023 adopting a list of geographical indications protected under Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council for which applications for international registration are to be submitted pursuant to Article 2 of Regulation (EU) 2019/1753 of the European Parliament and of the Council 2023/C 113/08. Publication Journal EU C 113 of 28 March 2023, p. 14

Commission Implementing Decision of 27 March 2023 establishing a list of geographical indications protected under Regulation (EU) 2019/787 of the European Parliament and of the Council for which applications for international registration are to be submitted pursuant to Article 2 of Regulation (EU) 2019/1753 of the European Parliament and of the Council 2023/C 113/09.

Slavonska kobasical (Slovenian sausage), Kangra Tea (Indian tea), Komiški rogač (Croatian fruit) and Plăcintă dobrogeană (Romanian pie) entered in PGI register

EU Official Journal L 86 of 24 March 2023, p. 5

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/678 of 17 March 2023 entering a name in the register of protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications ('Slavonska kobasica' (PGI)).

EU Official Journal L 91 of 29 March 2023, p. 7

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Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/690 of 22 March 2023 entering a name in the Register of Protected Designations of Origin and Protected Geographical Indications ('Kangra tea' (PGI)).

EU Official Journal L 91 of 29 March 2023, p. 8

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/691 of 22 March 2023 entering a name in the Register of Protected Designations of Origin and Protected Geographical Indications ('Komiški rogač' (PGI)).

EU Official Journal L 92 of 30 March 2023, p. 5

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/700 of 29 March 2023 entering a name in the register of protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications ('Plăcintă dobrogeană' (PGI).

MRLs of pyridaben, pyridate, pyriproxyfen and triclopyr have been modified

EU Official Journal L 86 of 24 March 2023, p. 6

Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/679 of 23 March 2023 amending Annexes II and III to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for pyridaben, pyridate, pyriproxyfen and triclopyr in or on certain products.

Voerendaal Bergen (Dutch wine) registered and product specifications Monti Lessini (Italian wine) and Queso Casín (Spanish cheese) amended in PDO register

EU Official Journal L 114 of 2 May 2023, p. 12

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/889 of 25 April 2023 conferring the protection provided for in Article 99 of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the name 'De Voerendaalse Bergen' (PDO).

EU Official Journal L 115 of 3 May 2023, p. 1

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/896 of 26 April 2023 approving amendments at Union level to the specification for a protected designation of origin or a protected geographical indication ('Monti Lessini' (PDO)).

EU Official Journal L 116 of 4 May 2023, p. 7

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/906 of 27 April 2023 approving a non-minor amendment to the specification of a name entered in the register of protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications ('Queso Casín' (PDO)).

Conditions of use traditional infusion of coffee leaves extended

EU Official Journal L 124 of 10 May 2023, p. 1

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/931 of 8 May 2023 amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470 as regards the conditions of use for the traditional foodstuff from a third country infusion of the coffee leaves of Coffea arabica L. and/or Coffea canephora Pierre ex A. Froehner.

Regulation (EC) 1881/2006 repealed

EU Official Journal L 119 of 5 May 2023, p. 103

Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/915 of 25 April 2023 on maximum levels for certain contaminants in foodstuffs and repealing Regulation (EC) 1881/2006.

Temporary increase in controls on imports of feed of non-animal origin from certain third countries

EU Official Journal L 147 of 7 June 2023, p. 111

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/1110 of 6 June 2023 amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1793 on the temporary increase of official controls and emergency measures in relation to the introduction into the Union of certain goods from certain third countries





implementing Regulations (EU) 2017/625 and (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council.

Health claims of beta-glucans, Affron®, MegaNatural® and Frutalose®oligofructose rejected

EU Official Journal L 151 of 12 June 2023, p. 1

Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/1141 of 1 June 2023 refusing to authorise certain health claims made on foods other than those referring to the reduction of disease risk and to children's development and health.

Fraud

New US regulation on organic food

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) published a final rule in order to reduce fraud in the organic sector. It is set to be implemented in 2024. USDA