



LexAlert

An introduction

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- Automatic notification system
- E-mail or RSS feeds
- Documents recently uploaded in EUR-Lex
- In a specific domain
- In a chosen language
- Early access to information



- Free of charge
- Connection with login and password
- Available upon request: send an e-mail to [eurlex-helpdesk@publications.europa.eu](mailto:eurlex-helpdesk@publications.europa.eu)



# LexAlert - Connection

- Step 1 : choose your language
- Step 2: enter your login
- Step 3: enter your password
- Step 4: select « Continue »

The screenshot shows the LexAlert connection interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the EUR-Lex logo on the left and a language selection menu on the right. The language menu is circled in red and contains the following options: BG, ES, CS, DA, DE, ET, EL, **EN**, FR, GA, IT, LV, LT, HU, MT, NL, PL, PT, RO, SK, SL, FI, SV. Below the navigation bar, the breadcrumb trail reads "EUROPA > EUR-Lex > LexAlert". The main content area is titled "LexAlert" and is divided into two sections: "Connection" and "General information". The "Connection" section contains two input fields: "User Id in EUR-Lex" and "Password", both of which are circled in red. Below these fields is a link that says "If you have not yet registered with EUR-Lex, please define [your profile](#) .". At the bottom of the "Connection" section, there is a "Continue" button, also circled in red. The "General information" section contains three bullet points: "LexAlert is an automatic service for the notification of new documents uploaded in EUR-Lex", "You can receive notifications by e-mail advising you that a new document has been loaded onto the EUR-Lex site in a field of particular interest to you.", and "If you have already defined your profile with EUR-Lex, please identify yourself and continue to the next screen." At the bottom right of the page, there is a footer that reads "Managed by the Publications Office".

## ➤ Predefined notifications

### ➤ Type

- OJ L, C, CA
- Legislation
- Case-law
- COM docs
- Newsletter

### ➤ Frequency predefined

## ➤ Personalised notifications

### ➤ Criteria

- Search terms
  - Type of act
  - Author
  - Directory legislation
  - Digest Case-law
- ### ➤ Frequency chosen

EUROPA > EUR-Lex > LexAlert > Your notifications

### Your notifications

**Profile options:**

- ▶  LexAlert may notify me by email, even if there are no new documents.

**Notifications LexAlert prédéfinies**

- ▶ [Subscribe to predefined LexAlert notifications](#)
- ▶ List of your predefined LexAlert notifications

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**Personalised LexAlert notifications**

- ▶ [Create a new personalised LexAlert notification](#)
- ▶ List of personalised LexAlert notifications



# LexAlert - Predefined notifications 1/3

## Registration to a predefined LexAlert notification

### Step 1: Choose type

- Official Journal C
- Official Journal CA
- Official Journal L
- Newsletter
- All case-law
- Commission proposals
- All Parliament and Council legislation
- Case-law of the Court of Justice

The screenshot shows a web interface for selecting a LexAlert notification. It features a list of notification types on the left, each with a radio button and a description. The 'Official Journal C' type is selected. A red circle highlights the radio button for 'Official Journal C'. A red arrow points from the text 'Step 1: Choose type' to this radio button. Another red arrow points from the text 'Step 2: Choose language' to the 'Language' dropdown menu for 'Official Journal C', which is set to 'EN'. A third red arrow points from the text 'Frequency predefined' to the 'Frequency' field for 'Official Journal C', which is set to 'Instantaneous'. On the right side of the interface, there is a section titled 'Choose a LexAlert notification' with a sub-instruction: 'Select a predefined LexAlert notification and a language for documents available for this notification.'

**Choose a LexAlert notification**

▶ Select a predefined LexAlert notification and a language for documents available for this notification.

**Official Journal C**

▶ This notification includes the daily edition of the C series (Informations and notices) of the Official Journal of the European Union. It also includes -the OJ C A edition; -the OJ C E (E=electronic), wherein the preparatory acts of the European Parliament and of the Council are published in electronic form only.

▶ Language:

▶ Frequency: Instantaneous

**Official Journal CA**

▶ This notification includes the C A edition of the OJ (A=Annex), the annex to the OJ wherein notices of open competitions and vacancy notices are published.

▶ Language:

▶ Frequency: Instantaneous

**Official Journal L**

▶ This notification includes the daily edition of the L series (Legislation) of the Official Journal of the European Union.

▶ Language:

▶ Frequency: Instantaneous

**Newsletter**

▶ Language:

▶ Frequency: Instantaneous

**All case-law**

▶ This notification includes judgements and orders of the Court of Justice of the European Communities and of the Court of First Instance, as well as the conclusions of the Advocate-generals.

### Step 2: Choose language

### Frequency predefined

- Instantaneous
- Weekly
- Monthly

# LexAlert - Predefined notifications 2/3

(To complete the dispatch criteria, scroll down)

Step 3: Predefined notifications can only be subscribed as RSS feeds

Step 4: Click on « Register »

Commission proposals

- ▶ This notification includes Commission proposals (officially starting the legislative procedure) and other acts adopted by the Commission during the legislative procedure.
- ▶ Language: EN
- ▶ Frequency: Weekly

All Parliament and Council legislation

- ▶ This notification includes legislative acts adopted by the Council or by the Council acting jointly with the European Parliament.
- ▶ Language: EN
- ▶ Frequency: Monthly


Case-law of the Court of Justice

- ▶ This notification includes judgements and orders of the Court of Justice of the European Communities.
- ▶ Language: EN
- ▶ Frequency: Weekly

**Define dispatch criteria**

▶ Choose how you want to be notified::

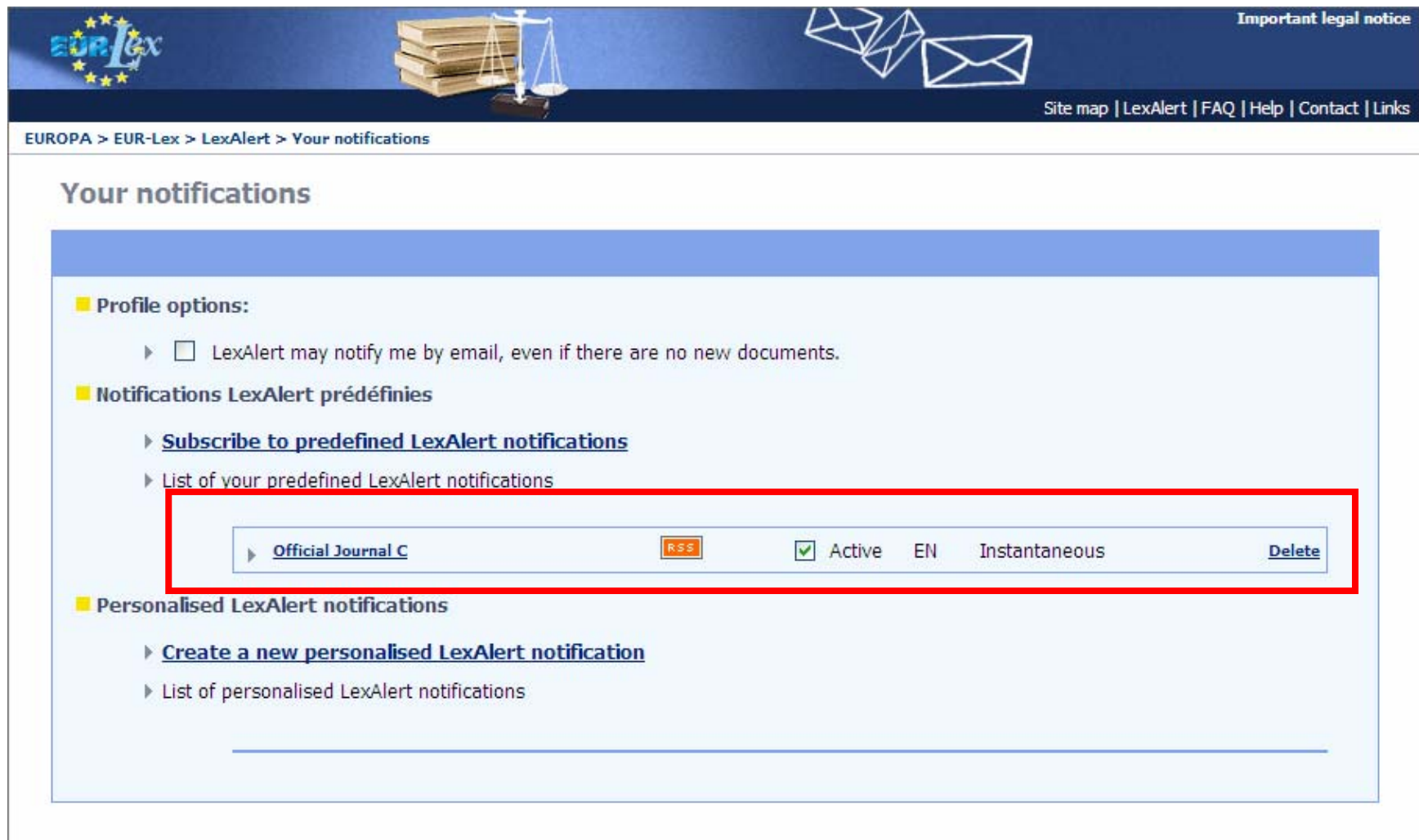
by e mail

by 

**Define dispatch criteria**

- ▶ After defining the dispatch criteria, please click on register to save.
- ▶ To request RSS notification, carry out the following steps:
  1. Select the RSS button.
  2. Enter the name of your notification.
  3. In the screen «Your notifications», click the RSS icon.
  4. Copy the address and paste it into your RSS reader.

The RSS feed has been added to the list of your predefined notifications.




**EUROPA > EUR-Lex > LexAlert > Your notifications**

**Your notifications**

**Profile options:**

- LexAlert may notify me by email, even if there are no new documents.

**Notifications LexAlert prédéfinies**

- [Subscribe to predefined LexAlert notifications](#)
- List of your predefined LexAlert notifications
  - [Official Journal C](#)   Active EN Instantaneous [Delete](#)

**Personalised LexAlert notifications**

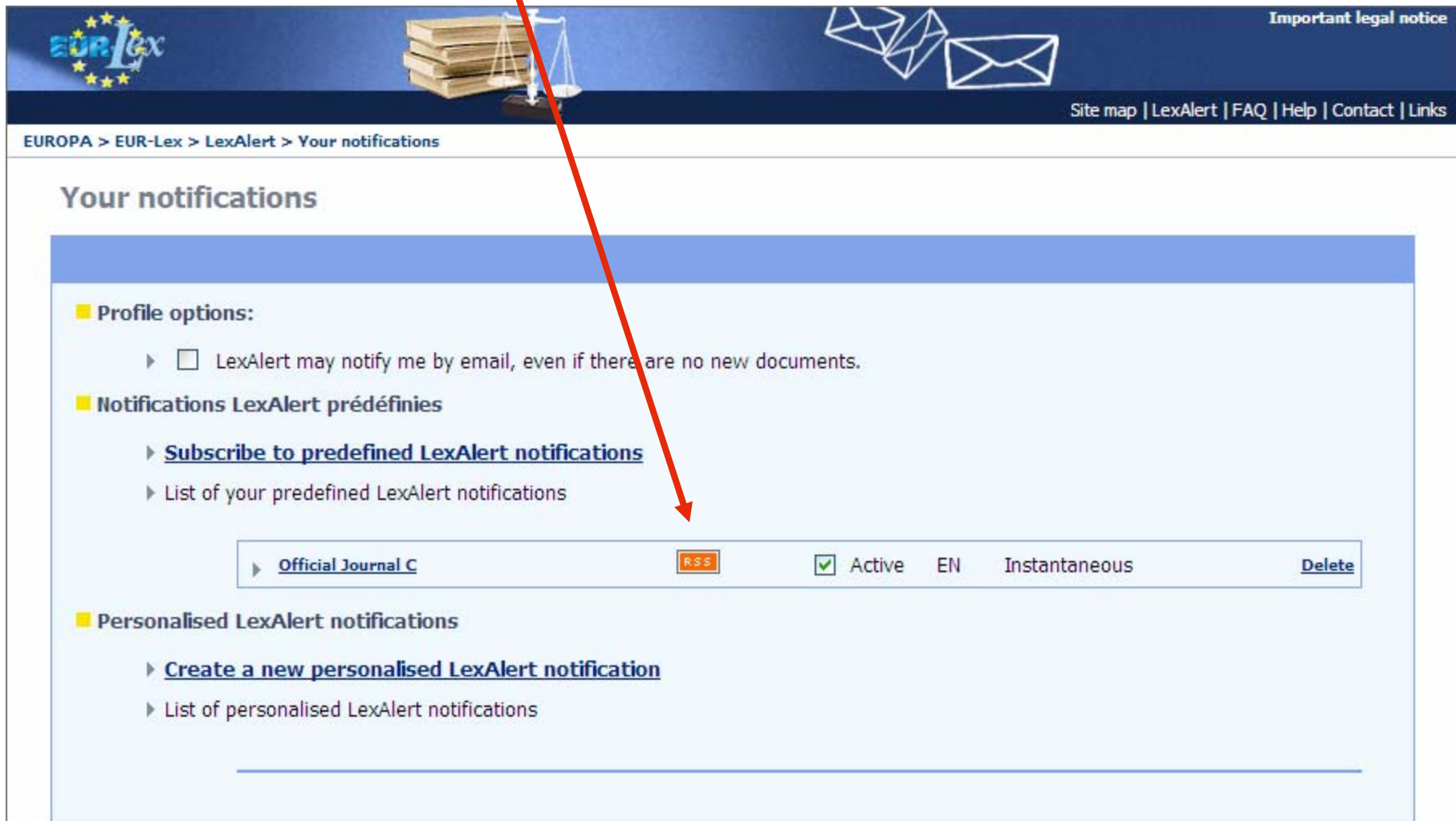
- [Create a new personalised LexAlert notification](#)
- List of personalised LexAlert notifications

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- RSS is a family of Web feed formats used to publish frequently updated content such as blog entries, news headlines and podcasts
- RSS makes it possible for people to keep up with web sites in an automated way
- RSS content can be read using software called an "RSS reader", "feed reader" or "aggregator".
- To subscribe to a feed, enter the feed's link into the reader or click on an RSS icon to initiates the subscription process
- The reader checks the user's subscribed feeds regularly for new content, downloading any updates that it finds
- Source: Wikipedia (<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/RSS>)



Step 5: Click on the RSS icon



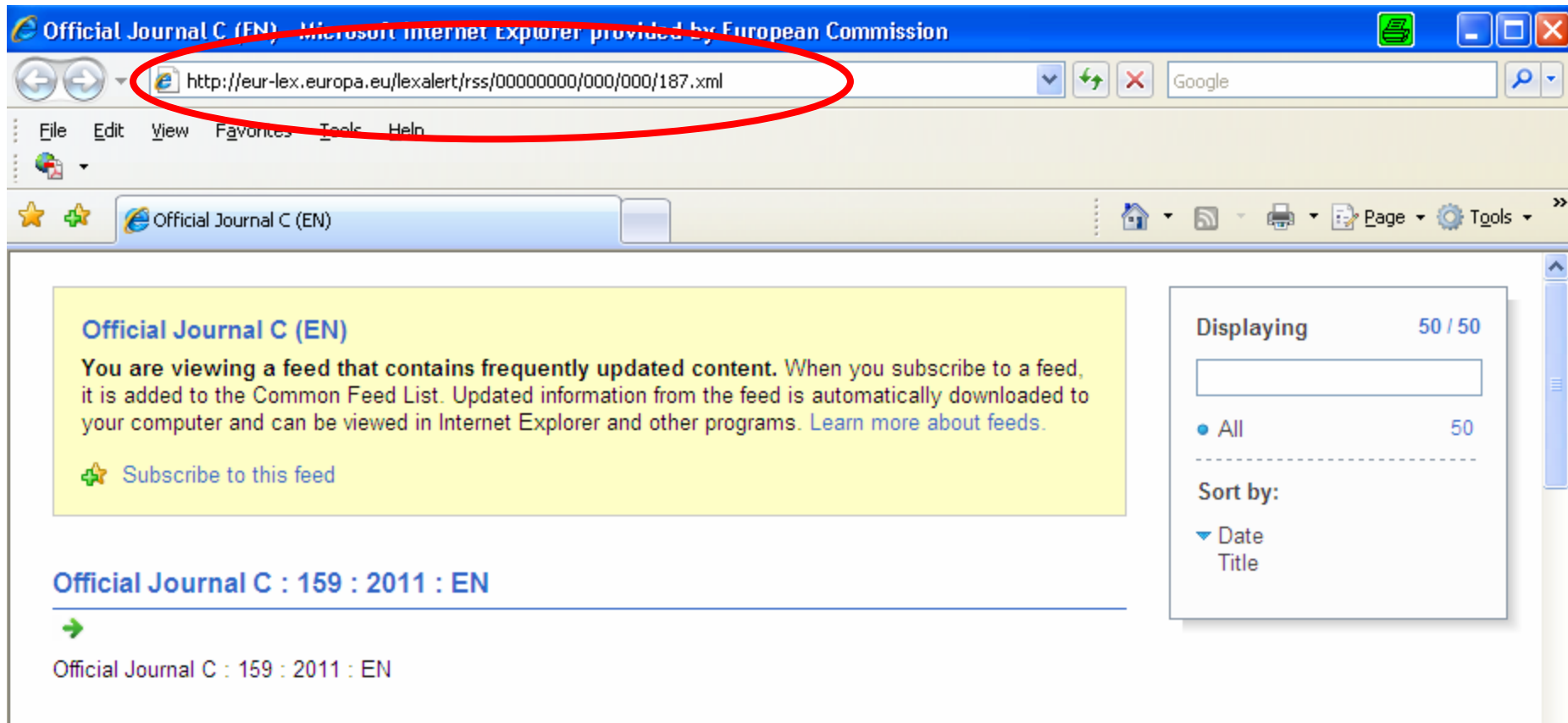
The screenshot shows the 'Your notifications' page on the EUR-Lex website. The page header includes the EUR-Lex logo, a stack of books with scales, and icons of envelopes. The breadcrumb trail is 'EUROPA > EUR-Lex > LexAlert > Your notifications'. The main content area is titled 'Your notifications' and contains several sections:

- Profile options:**
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| <a href="#">Official Journal C</a> |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Active | EN | Instantaneous | <a href="#">Delete</a> |
|------------------------------------|---|--|----|---------------|------------------------|
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A red arrow points from the text 'Step 5: Click on the RSS icon' to the orange RSS icon in the notification row for 'Official Journal C'.

# LexAlert - RSS feeds (3/5)


Step 6: Copy the address to your RSS reader



The screenshot shows the Microsoft Internet Explorer browser window. The title bar reads "Official Journal C (EN) - Microsoft Internet Explorer provided by European Commission". The address bar contains the URL "http://eur-lex.europa.eu/lexalert/rss/00000000/000/000/187.xml", which is circled in red. The browser's menu bar includes "File", "Edit", "View", "Favorites", "Tools", and "Help". The toolbar shows a search bar with "Google" and various navigation icons. The main content area displays the "Official Journal C (EN)" RSS feed page. A yellow box contains the following text: "Official Journal C (EN) You are viewing a feed that contains frequently updated content. When you subscribe to a feed, it is added to the Common Feed List. Updated information from the feed is automatically downloaded to your computer and can be viewed in Internet Explorer and other programs. Learn more about feeds." Below this text is a "Subscribe to this feed" button with a green plus sign icon. To the right of the main content area is a sidebar with a "Displaying 50 / 50" indicator, a search box, and a "Sort by:" dropdown menu currently set to "Date".

Official Journal C (EN)

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 [Subscribe to this feed](#)

Official Journal C : 159 : 2011 : EN

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Official Journal C : 159 : 2011 : EN

Displaying 50 / 50

• All 50

Sort by:

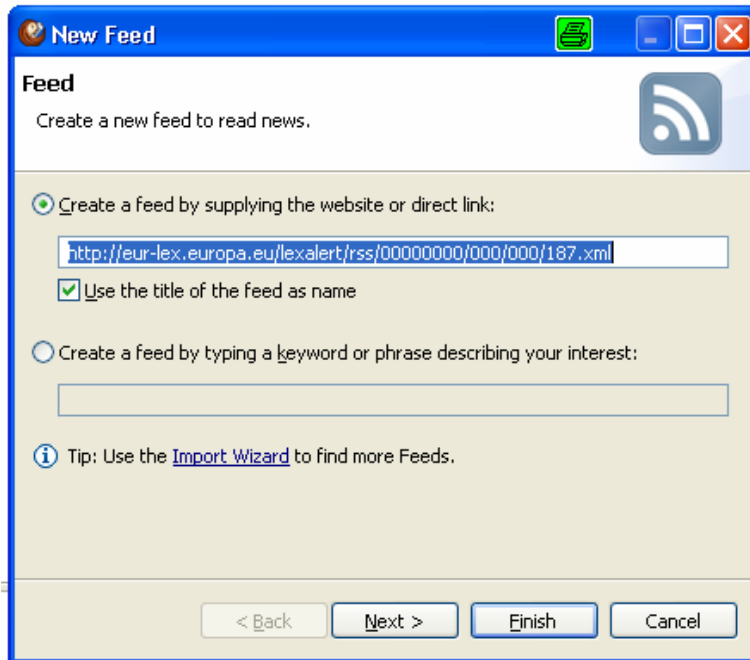
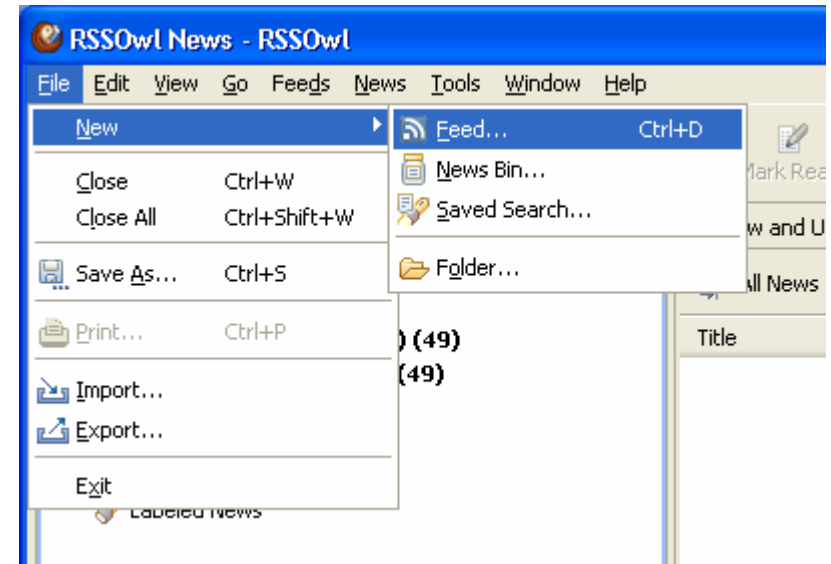
▼ Date  
Title

# LexAlert - RSS feeds (4/5)

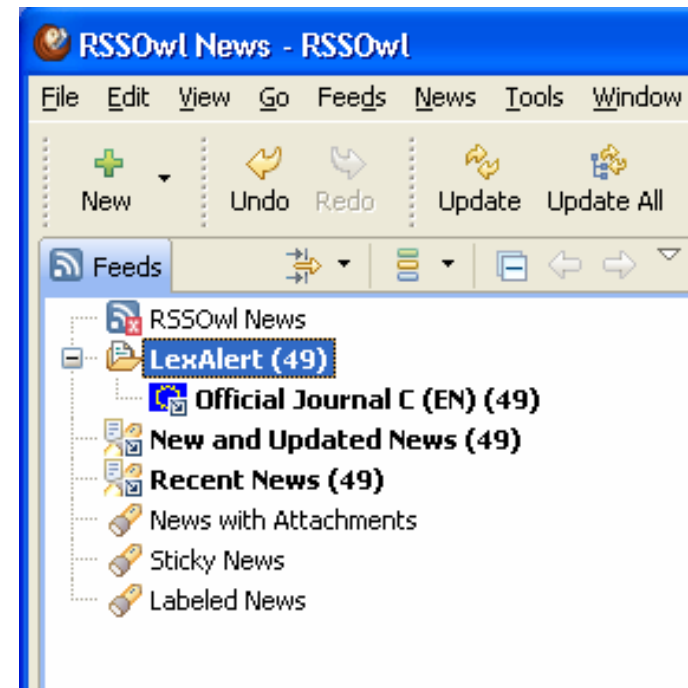
Open your RSS feed reader (e.g. Owl)

Choose menu File / New / Feed

and paste the address into the first field;  
confirm with Finish

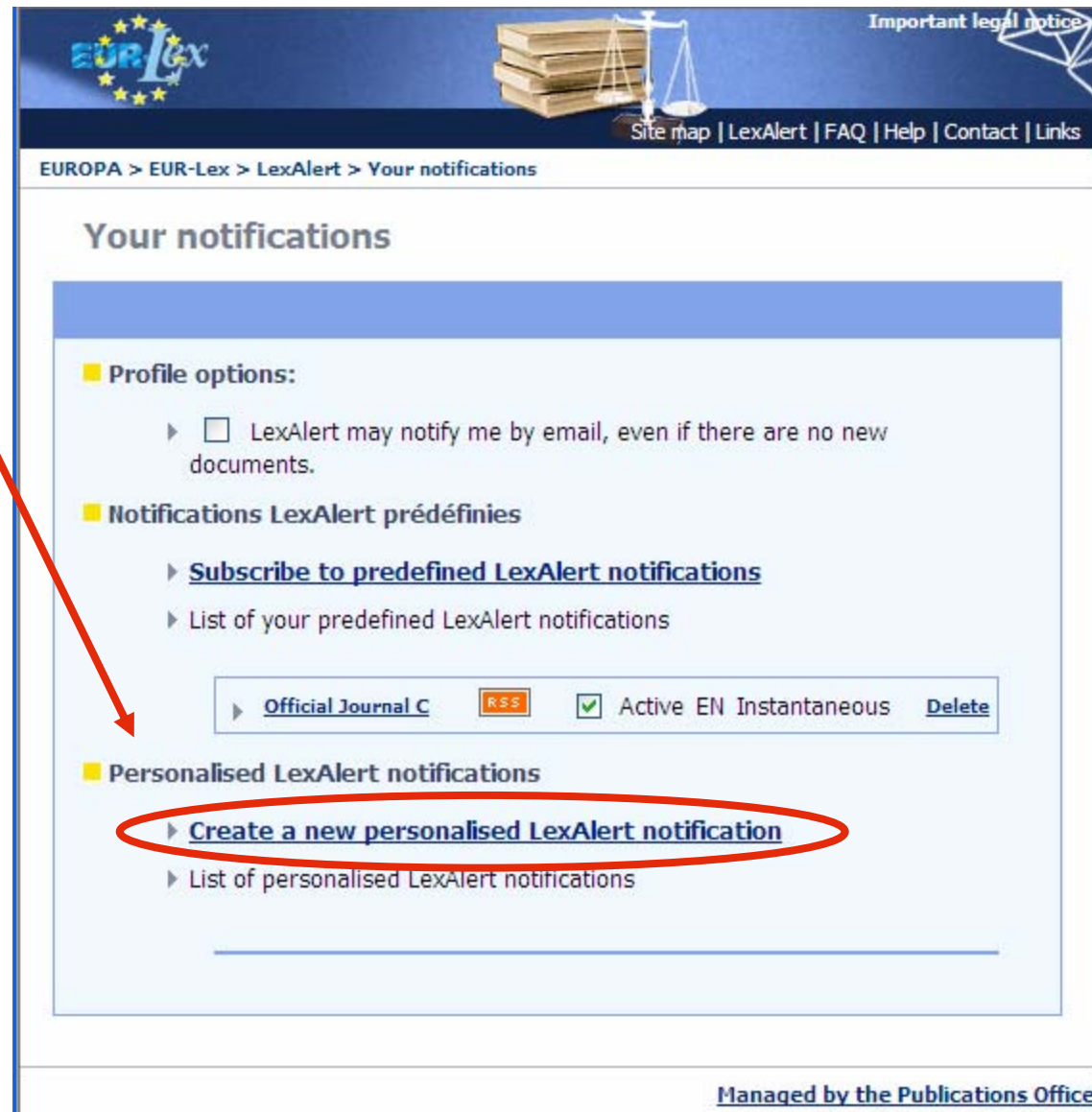


The feed will be added to your left menu for easy consultation.





- Personalised notifications
  - Criteria
    - Search terms
    - Type of act
    - Author
    - Directory legislation
    - Digest Case-law
  - Frequency chosen



EUROPA > EUR-Lex > LexAlert > Your notifications


## Your notifications

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**Notifications LexAlert prédéfinies**

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▶ [Official Journal C](#)   Active EN Instantaneous [Delete](#)

**Personalised LexAlert notifications**

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# LexAlert - Create Personalised notifications (2/4)

## Step 1: Define criteria

- Type of act
- Search terms (title or full text)
- Author
- Directory of Community legislation
- Digest of Case-law

## Step 2: Use one or several options

## Step 3: Choose language

### Creation of a personalised LexAlert notification

#### Click to select a type of act

▶ All acts

#### Search using search terms:

Enter search term

▶ Search for

▶ WITH

▶ EXCEPT

#### Options:

Title *search limited to document titles*

Title and text *full-text search*

#### Click to select an author

▶

#### Click to select a chapter of the 'Directory of Community legislation in force'

▶

#### Click to select a chapter of the 'Digest of case-law relating to Community law'

▶

#### Choose the language for the documents

▶ EN ▼

# LexAlert - Create Personalised notifications (3/4)

## Step 4: Define frequency

- Daily
- Weekly (choose day)
- Bi-monthly
- Monthly (choose day)

## Step 5: Choose how you want to be notified

- E-mail (text or html)
- RSS

### Step 5a: Enter e-mail address

- Your address
- Another address

## Step 6: Name your notification

## Step 7: Test notification

- One year
- Current notification

## Step 8: confirm using « Register »

### Define dispatch criteria

#### Choose frequency:

- Daily  
 Weekly Wednesday ▾  
 Twice monthly  
 Monthly 1 ▾

#### Choose how you want to be notified::

- by e mail  
 by RSS 2.0

#### Choose e-mail address:



#### Choose format:

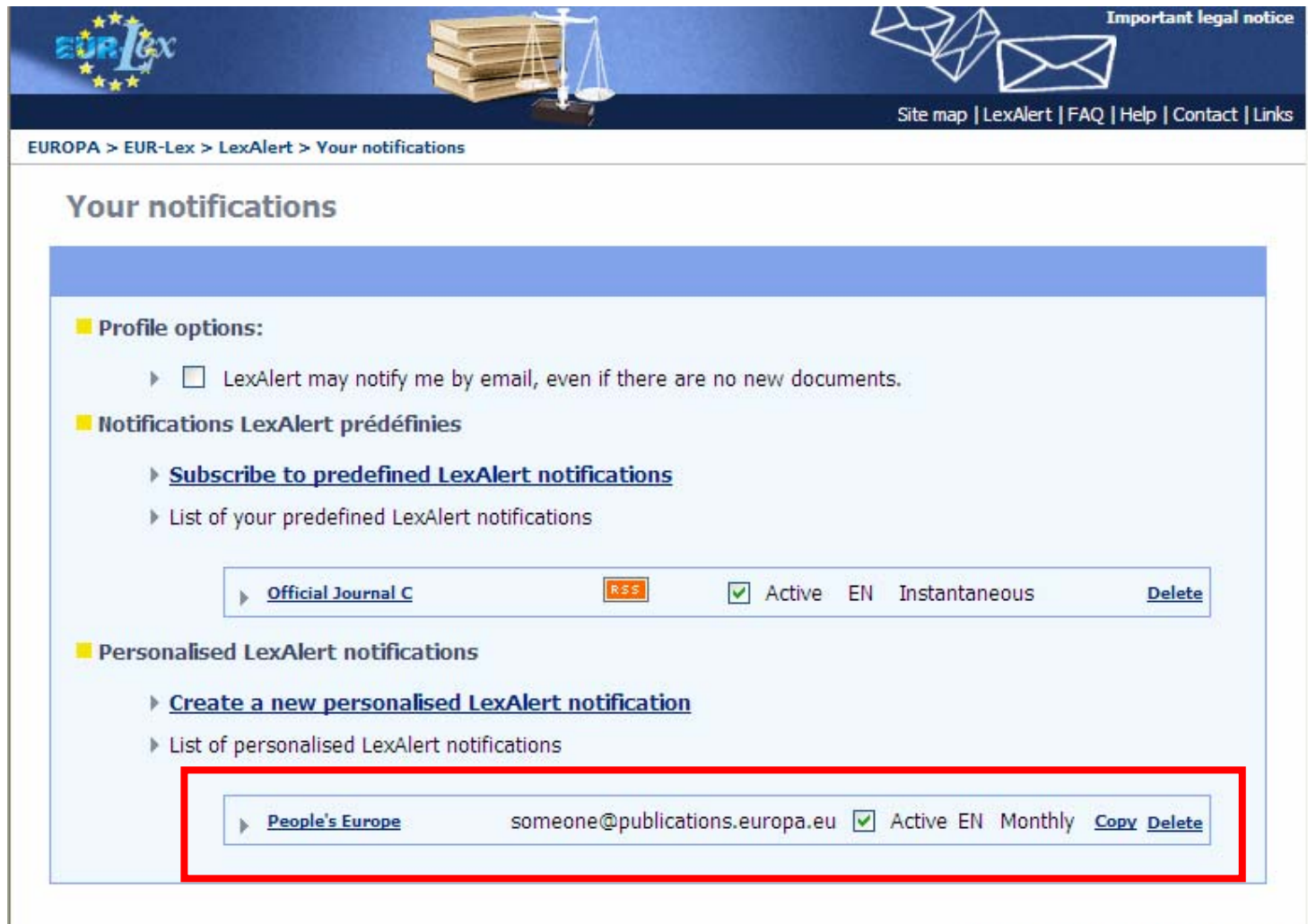
- text  
 html

#### Give a name to this notification

### Test notification

- ▶ [Simulation on the basis of one year](#)
- ▶ [Simulation on the basis of delivery chosen above](#)

The personalised notification has been added to the list of your notifications.



The screenshot displays the 'Your notifications' page on the EUR-Lex website. The page header includes the EUR-Lex logo, a stack of books with a scale of justice, and an 'Important legal notice' icon. The breadcrumb trail reads 'EUROPA > EUR-Lex > LexAlert > Your notifications'. The main content area is titled 'Your notifications' and contains three sections:

- Profile options:** A checkbox for 'LexAlert may notify me by email, even if there are no new documents.' is unchecked.
- Notifications LexAlert prédéfinies:** Includes a link to 'Subscribe to predefined LexAlert notifications' and a link to 'List of your predefined LexAlert notifications'. A notification for 'Official Journal C' is listed with an RSS icon, a checked 'Active' status, 'EN' language, 'Instantaneous' frequency, and a 'Delete' link.
- Personalised LexAlert notifications:** Includes a link to 'Create a new personalised LexAlert notification' and a link to 'List of personalised LexAlert notifications'. A notification for 'People's Europe' is listed with the email 'someone@publications.europa.eu', a checked 'Active' status, 'EN' language, 'Monthly' frequency, and 'Copy' and 'Delete' links. This notification is highlighted with a red border.

## Consult list of notifications

- Name
- E-mail address
- Active/non active
- Language
- Frequency

## Change notifications

- Delete
- Copy
- Modify

Disable/enable notifications:  
click on « Active »

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■ **Personalised LexAlert notifications**

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▶ <a href="#">People's Europe</a>	someone@publications.europa.eu	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Active EN Monthly	<a href="#">Copy</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>
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# LexAlert - Examples of e-mail notifications

EUR-Lex LexAlert : Compet COM - Message (Plain Text)

From: LEXALERT-NOTIFICATION@opoce.cec.eu.int Sent: jeu. 10/04/2008 13:07

To: CRUZ Maria Manuela (OPOCE)

Cc:

Subject: EUR-Lex LexAlert : Compet COM

Results of your request : 'Compet COM'

Search date : 11/04/2008

Number of new documents : 11

- 32008M4972  
 Commission Decision of 25/02/2008 declaring a concentration to be compatible with the common market (Case No COMP/M.4972 - PERMIRA / ARYSTA) according to Council Regulation (EEC) No 139/2004 (Only the English text is authentic)

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CELEX:32008M4972:EN:NOT>

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CELEX:32008M4972:EN:HTML>

- 32008M5038  
 Commission Decision of 28/02/2008 declaring a concentration to be compatible with the common market (Case No COMP/M.5038 - TELEFONICA / TURNED / RUMBO) according to Council Regulation (EEC) No 139/2004 (Only the Spanish text is authentic)

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CELEX:32008M5038:EN:NOT>

- 32008M5033  
 Commission Decision of 05/03/2008 declaring a concentration to be compatible with the common market (Case No COMP/M.5033 - PHILIPS / RESPIRONICS) according to Council Regulation (EEC) No 139/2004 (Only the English text is authentic)

EUR-Lex LexAlert : Compet COM - Message (HTML)

From: LEXALERT-NOTIFICATION@opoce.cec.eu.int Sent: jeu. 10/04/2008 13:04

To: CRUZ Maria Manuela (OPOCE)

Cc:

Subject: EUR-Lex LexAlert : Compet COM

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## EUR-Lex LexAlert

- Results of your request : **Compet COM**
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[html](#)

- **32008M5038**  
 Commission Decision of 28/02/2008 declaring a concentration to be compatible with the common market (Case No COMP/M.5038 - TELEFONICA /

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