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COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2024/2210

of 5 September 2024

amending Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/1550 by updating the multiannual programme of controls for the period 2021-2025 and establishing the programme of Commission controls for 2025 in the Member States to verify the application of Union agri-food chain legislation

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 March 2017 on official controls and other official activities performed to ensure the application of food and feed law, rules on animal health and welfare, plant health and plant protection products, amending Regulations (EC) No 999/2001, (EC) No 396/2005, (EC) No 1069/2009, (EC) No 1107/2009, (EU) No 1151/2012, (EU) No 652/2014, (EU) 2016/429 and (EU) 2016/2031 of the European Parliament and of the Council, Council Regulations (EC) No 1/2005 and (EC) No 1099/2009 and Council Directives 98/58/EC, 1999/74/EC, 2007/43/EC, 2008/119/EC and 2008/120/EC, and repealing Regulations (EC) No 854/2004 and (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council, Council Directives 89/608/EEC, 89/662/EEC, 90/425/EEC, 91/496/EEC, 96/23/EC, 96/93/EC and 97/78/EC and Council Decision 92/438/EEC (Official Controls Regulation) ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 118(1), point (b), thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The responsibility to enforce Union agri-food chain legislation lies with Member States, whose competent authorities monitor and verify, through the organisation of official controls, that relevant Union requirements are effectively complied with and enforced. Parallel to this monitoring and verification, Article 116 of Regulation (EU) 2017/625 requires Commission experts to perform controls, including audits, in Member States to verify the application of Union legislation. These Commission controls should be performed in the areas of food and feed safety, animal health and welfare, plant health, plant protection products, and the functioning of national control systems and competent authorities, which operate them, taking into account synergies with control arrangements under the common agricultural policy.
- (2) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/1550 ⁽²⁾ established in Chapters 1 to 10 of the Annex thereto a multiannual programme of controls to be carried out by Commission experts in the Member States to verify the application of Union agri-food chain legislation for the period 2021-2025, aligned with the Commission's term of office and reflecting its priorities.
- (3) In accordance with Article 38(4) of Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽³⁾, which applies from 13 May 2024, Article 118 of Regulation (EU) 2017/625 is not to apply to controls, including audits, of geographical indications. Consequently, the reference to geographical indications in Chapter 7 of the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/1550 should be removed.
- (4) In accordance with Article 118(1), point (b), of Regulation (EU) 2017/625, Chapter 11 of the Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/1550 setting out the programme of Commission controls for the following year is to be communicated to the Member States by the end of each year. Chapter 11 should be updated to reflect the programme of Commission controls planned for 2025.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 95, 7.4.2017, p. 1, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2017/625/oj>.

⁽²⁾ Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/1550 of 23 October 2020 establishing the multiannual programme of controls for the period 2021-2025 to be carried out by Commission experts in the Member States to verify the application of Union agri-food chain legislation (OJ L 354, 26.10.2020, p. 9, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec_impl/2020/1550/oj).

⁽³⁾ Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 April 2024 on geographical indications for wine, spirit drinks and agricultural products, as well as traditional specialties guaranteed and optional quality terms for agricultural products, amending Regulations (EU) No 1308/2013, (EU) 2019/787 and (EU) 2019/1753 and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 (OJ L, 2024/1143, 23.4.2024, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1143/oj>).

- (5) Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/1550 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (6) Given that a part of this amendment concerns the annual programme of controls for 2025, which applies as of 1 January 2025, the date of application of that part of the amendment should be deferred to coincide with that date,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/1550 is amended in accordance with the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Points 1 and 3 of the Annex shall apply from 1 January 2025.

Done at Brussels, 5 September 2024.

For the Commission
The President
Ursula VON DER LEYEN

ANNEX

The Annex to Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/1550 is amended as follows:

- (1) in the sixth paragraph, the second sentence is replaced by the following:
‘Chapter 11 sets out the programme of controls for 2025.’;
- (2) in Chapter 7, ‘Food quality’, in the table, the second row, corresponding to the entry for ‘Geographical indications’, is deleted;
- (3) Chapter 11 is replaced by the following:

‘11. **Programme of controls for 2025**

Area	Priority area	Focus in 2025
Food & food safety	Food of animal origin	Safety of meat of mammals and birds and products thereof Safety of milk and products thereof Safety of fishery products
	Food of non-animal origin	Microbiological safety
	Residues in live animals and food of animal origin	Chemical safety – residues
Feed & feed safety	Feed safety	Feed hygiene
		Medicated feed
		Animal by-products and derived products
Animal health	Category A diseases under Regulation (EU) 2016/429	African swine fever Highly pathogenic avian influenza
	Category B and C diseases under Regulation (EU) 2016/429	Monitoring system for category B and C diseases
	Preparedness & prevention	Contingency planning covered during African swine fever and highly pathogenic avian influenza audits Highly pathogenic avian influenza (One Health) Pandemic transmission pathways (One Health)
Animal welfare	Slaughter	Ruminants and poultry
	Transport	Livestock vessels
Plant health	Plant pest outbreaks	Plant pest outbreaks presenting a significant threat
	Preparedness and prevention	Plant health survey programmes
		Contingency planning
PPP & SUD	Plant protection products (PPP)	Chemical safety (authorisation, marketing and use of pesticides) Sustainable use of pesticides

Area	Priority area	Focus in 2025
Food quality	Organic farming	Organic farming
Entry into the Union of animals and goods from third countries	Official controls on animals and goods	Animals and goods
AMR	Monitoring of antimicrobial resistance (AMR) in zoonotic and commensal bacteria	AMR in zoonotic and commensal bacteria
General aspects within the agri-food chain	Follow-up of audit recommendations	General and sectoral follow-up of audit recommendations
	Genetically modified organisms (GMOs)	GMOs
	Any emergency situations, emerging problems and new developments	Emergency situations, emerging problems and new developments'