

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2019/1249**of 22 July 2019****amending Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 implementing Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the increased level of official controls on imports of certain feed and food of non-animal origin****(Text with EEA relevance)**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 on official controls performed to ensure the verification of compliance with feed and food law, animal health and animal welfare rules ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 15(5) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 ⁽²⁾ lays down rules concerning the increased level of official controls to be carried out on imports of feed and food of non-animal origin listed in Annex I thereto ('the list'), at a designated point of entry ('DPE') into the territories referred to in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 882/2004.
- (2) Article 2 of Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 provides that the list is to be reviewed on a regular basis, and at least biannually, taking into account the sources of information referred to in that Article.
- (3) The occurrence and relevance of recent food incidents notified through the Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed, as established by Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽³⁾, information regarding official controls performed by Member States on feed and food of non-animal origin as well as the biannual reports on consignments of feed and food of non-animal origin submitted by Member States to the Commission in accordance with Article 15 of Regulation (EC) No 669/2009, indicate that the list should be amended.
- (4) In particular, for consignments of jackfruit (*Artocarpus heterophyllus*) from Malaysia, the data resulting from notifications received through the Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed and information regarding official controls performed by Member States indicate the emergence of new risks to human health due to possible pesticide residues contamination, requiring the introduction of an increased level of official controls. In addition, for groundnuts (peanuts) from the United States of America, data resulting from notifications received through the Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed indicates risks to human health due to possible aflatoxins contamination, requiring the introduction of an increased level of official controls. Entries concerning those consignments should therefore be included in the list.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 165, 30.4.2004, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ Commission Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 of 24 July 2009 implementing Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the increased level of official controls on imports of certain feed and food of non-animal origin and amending Decision 2006/504/EC (OJ L 194, 25.7.2009, p. 11).

⁽³⁾ Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 January 2002 laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety (OJ L 31, 1.2.2002, p. 1).

- (5) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006 ⁽⁴⁾ establishes a maximum level for hydrocyanic acid (cyanide) in unprocessed whole, ground, milled, cracked, chopped apricot kernels placed on the market for the final consumer. In addition, Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/1237 ⁽⁵⁾ provides that the operator who places unprocessed whole, ground, milled, cracked, chopped apricot kernels on the market for the final consumer is to provide upon request from the competent authority evidence of compliance of the marketed product with the maximum level. For consignments of unprocessed apricot kernels from Turkey intended to be placed on the market for the final consumer, data resulting from notifications received through the Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed indicates the emergence of new risks to human health due to the presence of hydrocyanic acid (cyanide), requiring the introduction of an increased level of official controls. An entry concerning those consignments should therefore be included in the list.
- (6) Moreover, due to the high frequency of non-compliance with the relevant requirements provided for in Union legislation detected during official controls performed by Member States in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 669/2009, it is appropriate to increase the frequency of identity and physical checks on tea and goji berries from China and peppers and yardlong beans from the Dominican Republic. Entries concerning those consignments should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (7) In addition, the list should be amended by decreasing the frequency of identity and physical checks on apricots from Turkey due to the low frequency of non-compliance with the relevant requirements provided for in Union legislation detected during official controls performed by Member States in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 669/2009. Entries concerning those consignments should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (8) The existing entry concerning goji berries from China in the list requires the competent authorities to test this commodity for specific pesticides which do not include nicotine. Frequent detections of nicotine in goji berries from China have been reported. It is therefore appropriate to amend the existing entry concerning goji berries from China in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 to require competent authorities to test this commodity for nicotine.
- (9) Turnips (*Brassica rapa* spp. *Rapa*) from Lebanon and from Syria prepared or preserved by brine or citric acid present the same risk as the forms of that commodity from Lebanon and from Syria currently listed. The list should therefore be amended to include turnips prepared or preserved by brine or citric acid from Lebanon and from Syria.
- (10) In order to ensure consistency and clarity, it is appropriate to replace Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 in its entirety.
- (11) Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (12) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 669/2009 is replaced by the text set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

⁽⁴⁾ Commission Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006 of 19 December 2006 setting maximum levels for certain contaminants in foodstuffs (OJL 364, 20.12.2006, p. 5).

⁽⁵⁾ Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/1237 of 7 July 2017 amending Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006 as regards a maximum level of hydrocyanic acid in unprocessed whole, ground, milled, cracked, chopped apricot kernels placed on the market for the final consumer (OJL 177, 8.7.2017, p. 36).

Article 2

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

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 22 July 2019.

For the Commission
The President
Jean-Claude JUNCKER

ANNEX

'ANNEX I

Feed and food of non-animal origin subject to an increased level of official controls at the designated point of entry

Feed and food (intended use)	CN code (1)	TARIC sub-division	Country of origin	Hazard	Frequency of physical and identity checks (%)
— Groundnuts (peanuts), in shell	— 1202 41 00		Bolivia (BO)	Aflatoxins	50
— Groundnuts (peanuts), shelled	— 1202 42 00				
— Peanut butter	— 2008 11 10				
— Groundnuts (peanuts), otherwise prepared or preserved (Feed and food)	— 2008 11 91; 2008 11 96; 2008 11 98				
— Black pepper (<i>Piper</i>) (Food – neither crushed nor ground)	ex 0904 11 00	10	Brazil (BR)	<i>Salmonella</i> (2)	20
Goji berries (wolfberries) (<i>Lycium barbarum</i> L.) (Food – fresh, chilled or dried)	ex 0813 40 95; ex 0810 90 75	10 10	China (CN)	Pesticide residues (3) (4) (5)	20
Sweet peppers (<i>Capsicum annuum</i>) (Food – crushed or ground)	ex 0904 22 00	11	China (CN)	<i>Salmonella</i> (2)	20
Tea, whether or not flavoured (Food)	0902		China (CN)	Pesticide residues (3) (6)	20
Aubergines (<i>Solanum melongena</i>) (Food – fresh or chilled)	0709 30 00		Dominican Republic (DO)	Pesticide residues (3)	20
— Sweet peppers (<i>Capsicum annuum</i>)	— 0709 60 10; 0710 80 51		Dominican Republic (DO)	Pesticide residues (3) (7)	50
— Peppers (other than sweet) (<i>Capsicum</i> spp.)	— ex 0709 60 99; ex 0710 80 59	20 20			
— Yardlong beans (<i>Vigna unguiculata</i> ssp. <i>sesquipedalis</i> , <i>vigna unguiculata</i> ssp. <i>unguiculata</i>) (Food – fresh, chilled or frozen)	— ex 0708 20 00; ex 0710 22 00	10 10			
— Sweet peppers (<i>Capsicum annuum</i>)	— 0709 60 10; 0710 80 51				
— Peppers (other than sweet) (<i>Capsicum</i> spp.) (Food – fresh, chilled or frozen)	— ex 0709 60 99; ex 0710 80 59	20 20	Egypt (EG)	Pesticide residues (3) (8)	20
Sesamum seeds (Food – fresh or chilled)	1207 40 90		Ethiopia (ET)	<i>Salmonella</i> (2)	50

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— Hazelnuts, in shell	— 0802 21 00		Georgia (GE)	Aflatoxins	50
— Hazelnuts, shelled	— 0802 22 00				
— Flour, meal and powder of hazelnuts	— ex 1106 30 90	40			
— Hazelnuts, otherwise prepared or preserved (Food)	— ex 2008 19 19; ex 2008 19 95; ex 2008 19 99	30 20 30			
Palm oil (Food)	1511 10 90; 1511 90 11; ex 1511 90 19; 1511 90 99	90	Ghana (GH)	Sudan dyes (9)	50
Okra (Food – fresh, chilled or frozen)	ex 0709 99 90; ex 0710 80 95	20 30	India (IN)	Pesticide residues (3) (10)	10
Peppers (other than sweet) (<i>Capsicum</i> spp.) (Food – fresh, chilled or frozen)	ex 0709 60 99; ex 0710 80 59	20 20	India (IN)	Pesticide residues (3) (11)	20
Beans (<i>Vigna</i> spp., <i>Phaseolus</i> spp.) (Food – fresh or chilled)	0708 20		Kenya (KE)	Pesticide residues (3)	5
Chinese celery (<i>Apium graveolens</i>) (Food – fresh or chilled herb)	ex 0709 40 00	20	Cambodia (KH)	Pesticide residues (3) (12)	50
Yardlong beans (<i>Vigna unguiculata</i> ssp. <i>sesquipedalis</i> , <i>vigna unguiculata</i> ssp. <i>unguiculata</i>) (Food – fresh, chilled or frozen vegetables)	ex 0708 20 00; ex 0710 22 00	10 10	Cambodia (KH)	Pesticide residues (3) (13)	50
Turnips (<i>Brassica rapa</i> ssp. <i>rapa</i>) (Food — prepared or preserved by vinegar or acetic acid)	ex 2001 90 97;	11; 19	Lebanon (LB)	Rhodamine B	50
Turnips (<i>Brassica rapa</i> ssp. <i>rapa</i>) (Food — prepared or preserved by brine or citric acid, not frozen)	ex 2005 99 80	93	Lebanon (LB)	Rhodamine B	50
Peppers (sweet or other than sweet) (<i>Capsicum</i> spp.) (Food – dried, roasted, crushed or ground)	0904 21 10; ex 0904 21 90; ex 0904 22 00; ex 2008 99 99	20 11; 19 79	Sri Lanka (LK)	Aflatoxins	50

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— Groundnuts (peanuts), in shell — Groundnuts (peanuts), shelled — Peanut butter — Groundnuts (peanuts), otherwise prepared or preserved (Feed and food)	— 1202 41 00 — 1202 42 00 — 2008 11 10 — 2008 11 91; 2008 11 96; 2008 11 98		Madagascar (MG)	Aflatoxins	50
Jackfruit (<i>Artocarpus heterophyllus</i>) (Food – fresh)	ex 0810 90 20	20	Malaysia (MY)	Pesticide residues (3)	20
Sesamum seeds (Food - fresh or chilled)	1207 40 90		Nigeria (NG)	<i>Salmonella</i> (2)	50
Peppers (other than sweet) (<i>Capsicum</i> spp.) (Food - fresh, chilled or frozen)	ex 0709 60 99; ex 0710 80 59	20 20	Pakistan (PK)	Pesticide residues (3)	20
Raspberries (Food - frozen)	ex 0811 20 11; ex 0811 20 19; 0811 20 31	10 10	Serbia (RS)	Norovirus	10
Sesamum seeds (Food - fresh or chilled)	1207 40 90		Sudan (SD)	<i>Salmonella</i> (2)	50
Watermelon (<i>Egusi, Citrullus</i> spp.) seeds and derived products (Food)	ex 1207 70 00; ex 1208 90 00; ex 2008 99 99	10 10 50	Sierra Leone (SL)	Aflatoxins	50
— Groundnuts (peanuts), in shell — Groundnuts (peanuts), shelled — Peanut butter — Groundnuts (peanuts), otherwise prepared or preserved (Feed and food)	— 1202 41 00 — 1202 42 00 — 2008 11 10 — 2008 11 91; 2008 11 96; 2008 11 98		Senegal (SN)	Aflatoxins	50
Turnips (<i>Brassica rapa</i> ssp. <i>rapa</i>) (Food — prepared or preserved by vinegar or acetic acid)	ex 2001 90 97;	11; 19	Syria (SY)	Rhodamine B	50
Turnips (<i>Brassica rapa</i> spp. <i>rapa</i>) (Food — prepared or preserved by brine or citric acid, not frozen)	ex 2005 99 80	93	Syria (SY)	Rhodamine B	50

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Peppers (other than sweet) (<i>Capsicum</i> spp.) (Food - fresh, chilled or frozen)	ex 0709 60 99; ex 0710 80 59	20 20	Thailand (TH)	Pesticide residues ⁽³⁾ ⁽¹⁴⁾	10
— Dried apricots — Apricots, otherwise prepared or pre- served ⁽¹⁵⁾ (Food)	— 0813 10 00 — 2008 50 61		Turkey (TR)	Sulphites ⁽¹⁶⁾	10
Dried grapes (including dried grapes cut or crushed into a paste, without any further treatment) (Food)	0806 20		Turkey (TR)	Ochratoxin A	5
Lemons (<i>Citrus limon</i> , <i>Citrus limonum</i>) (Food - fresh, chilled or dried)	0805 50 10		Turkey (TR)	Pesticide residues ⁽³⁾	10
Pomegranates (Food - fresh or chilled)	ex 0810 90 75	30	Turkey (TR)	Pesticide residues ⁽³⁾ ⁽¹⁷⁾	10
Sweet Peppers (<i>Capsicum annuum</i>) (Food - fresh, chilled or frozen)	0709 60 10; 0710 80 51		Turkey (TR)	Pesticide residues ⁽³⁾ ⁽¹⁸⁾	10
Unprocessed whole, ground, milled, cracked, chopped apricot kernels intended to be placed on the market for the final consumer ⁽¹⁹⁾ ⁽²⁰⁾ (Food)	ex 1212 99 95	20	Turkey (TR)	Cyanide	50
Peppers (other than sweet) (<i>Capsicum</i> spp.) (Food - fresh, chilled or frozen)	ex 0709 60 99 ex 0710 80 59	20 20	Uganda (UG)	Pesticide residues ⁽³⁾	20
Sesamum seeds (Food - fresh or chilled)	1207 40 90		Uganda (UG)	<i>Salmonella</i> ⁽²⁾	50
— Groundnuts (peanuts), in shell — Groundnuts (peanuts), shelled — Peanut butter — Groundnuts (peanuts), otherwise prepared or preserved (Feed and food)	— 1202 41 00 — 1202 42 00 — 2008 11 10 — 2008 11 91; 2008 11 96; 2008 11 98		United States (US)	Aflatoxins	10
— Pistachios, in shell — Pistachios, shelled — Pistachios, roasted (Food)	— 0802 51 00 — 0802 52 00 — ex 2008 19 13; ex 2008 19 93	20 20	United States (US)	Aflatoxins	10

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— Dried apricots — Apricots, otherwise prepared or preserved ⁽¹⁵⁾ (Food)	— 0813 10 00 — 2008 50 61		Uzbekistan (UZ)	Sulphites ⁽¹⁶⁾	50
— Coriander leaves — Basil (holy, sweet) — Mint — Parsley (Food - fresh or chilled herbs)	— ex 0709 99 90 — ex 1211 90 86 — ex 1211 90 86 — ex 0709 99 90	72 20 30 40	Vietnam (VN)	Pesticide residues ⁽³⁾ ⁽²¹⁾	50
Okra (Food - fresh, chilled or frozen)	ex 0709 99 90 ex 0710 80 95	20 30	Vietnam (VN)	Pesticide residues ⁽³⁾ ⁽²¹⁾	50
Peppers (other than sweet) (<i>Capsicum</i> spp.) (Food - fresh, chilled or frozen)	ex 0709 60 99; ex 0710 80 59	20 20	Vietnam (VN)	Pesticide residues ⁽³⁾ ⁽²¹⁾	50

⁽¹⁾ Where only certain products under any CN code are required to be examined, the CN code is marked "ex".

⁽²⁾ Reference method EN ISO 6579-1 or a method validated against it in accordance with the protocol set out in EN ISO 16140-2.

⁽³⁾ Residues of at least those pesticides listed in the control programme adopted in accordance with Article 29(2) of Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 February 2005 on maximum residue levels of pesticides in or on food and feed of plant and animal origin and amending Council Directive 91/414/EEC (OJ L 70, 16.3.2005, p. 1) that can be analysed with multi-residue methods based on GC-MS and LC-MS (pesticides to be monitored in/on products of plant origin only).

⁽⁴⁾ Residues of Amitraz.

⁽⁵⁾ Residues of Nicotine.

⁽⁶⁾ Residues of Tolfenpyrad.

⁽⁷⁾ Residues of Acephate, Aldicarb (sum of aldicarb, its sulfoxide and its sulfone, expressed as aldicarb), Amitraz (amitraz including the metabolites containing the 2,4 -dimethylaniline moiety expressed as amitraz), Diafenthiuron, Dicofol (sum of p, p' and o,p' isomers), Dithiocarbamates (dithiocarbamates expressed as CS₂, including maneb, mancozeb, metiram, propineb, thiram and ziram) and Methiocarb (sum of methiocarb and methiocarb sulfoxide and sulfone, expressed as methiocarb).

⁽⁸⁾ Residues of Dicofol (sum of p, p' and o,p' isomers), Dinotefuran, Folpet, Prochloraz (sum of prochloraz and its metabolites containing the 2,4,6-Trichlorophenol moiety expressed as prochloraz), Thiophanate-methyl and Triforine.

⁽⁹⁾ For the purposes of this Annex, "Sudan dyes" refers to the following chemical substances: (i) Sudan I (CAS Number 842-07-9); (ii) Sudan II (CAS Number 3118-97-6); (iii) Sudan III (CAS Number 85-86-9); (iv) Scarlet Red; or Sudan IV (CAS Number 85-83-6).

⁽¹⁰⁾ Residues of Diafenthiuron.

⁽¹¹⁾ Residues of Carbofuran.

⁽¹²⁾ Residues of Phenthoate.

⁽¹³⁾ Residues of Chlorbufam.

⁽¹⁴⁾ Residues of Formetanate (sum of formetanate and its salts expressed as formetanate (hydrochloride)), Prothiofos and Triforine.

⁽¹⁵⁾ Identity and physical checks may be carried out by the competent authority of the place of destination as indicated in the CED, in accordance with Article 9 (2) of this Regulation.

⁽¹⁶⁾ Reference methods: EN 1988-1:1998, EN 1988-2:1998 or ISO 5522:1981.

⁽¹⁷⁾ Residues of Prochloraz.

⁽¹⁸⁾ Residues of Diafenthiuron, Formetanate (sum of formetanate and its salts expressed as formetanate (hydrochloride)) and Thiophanate-methyl.

⁽¹⁹⁾ "Unprocessed products" as defined in Regulation (EC) No 852/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 on the hygiene of foodstuffs (OJ L 139, 30.4.2004, p. 1).

⁽²⁰⁾ "Placing on the market" and "final consumer" as defined in Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 January 2002 laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety (OJ L 31, 1.2.2002, p. 1).

⁽²¹⁾ Residues of Dithiocarbamates (dithiocarbamates expressed as CS₂, including maneb, mancozeb, metiram, propineb, thiram and ziram), Phenthoate and Quinalphos.'