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EU UPDATE OF IMPORT CONTROLS ON CERTAIN FEED AND FOOD

The European Union announced Commission Regulation (EU) No 925/2013¹ in the Official Journal on 25 September 2013. The regulation amends annex I to Regulation (EU) 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. The updates shall apply from 1 October 2013.

The Commission Regulation (EC) No 669/2009² established 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 at the points of entry into the territories referred to in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 882/2004. Article 2 of regulation No 669/2009 states that the list in Annex I shall be reviewed on a regular basis, and at least quarterly, taking into account at least the sources of information referred to in that Article. This list in Annex 1 is a target for regular checks based on the occurrence and relevance of food incidents notified through the rapid alert system for food and feed (RASFF), the findings of missions to third countries carried out by the Food and Veterinary Office, as well as the quarterly reports on consignments of feed and food of non animal origin.

The list in Annex 1 should be amended by deleting the entries for commodities for which the available information indicates an overall satisfactory degree of compliance with the relevant safety requirements provided for in Union legislation and for which an increased level of official controls is therefore no longer justified. Such as the entries in the Annex I list concerning consignments of watermelon from Brazil due to Salmonella and tomatoes from Turkey due to pesticides should be deleted.

The complete list can be found in the Annex I of this (EU) No 925/2013 regulation. The frequency of the official controls for physical and identity checks are unchanged.

These amendments will take effect from 1 October 2013.



¹ [COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION \(EU\) No 925/2013 of 25 September 2013](#)

² [COMMISSION REGULATION \(EC\) No 669/2009 of 24 July 2009](#)

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