

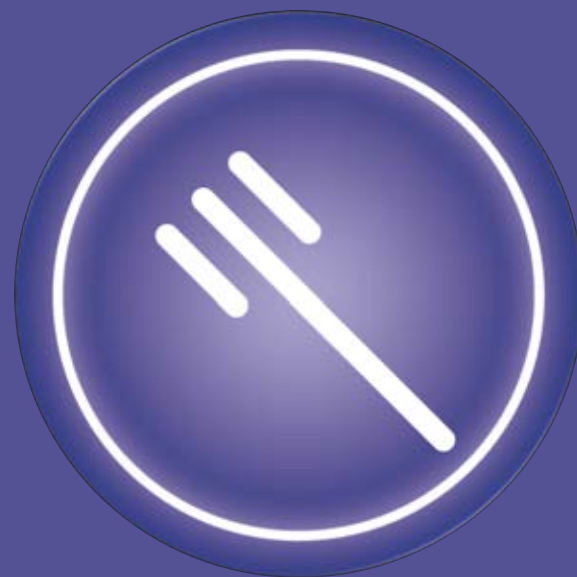


FEDERAL AGENCY FOR THE SAFETY OF THE FOOD CHAIN (FASFC)

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IMPORT



European context

- Goal: high level of food safety, animal health and plant health
- Legislation based on the 'three sisters':
 - Codex alimentarius
 - OIE
 - IPPC
- Internationalisation: higher risk for the spread of animal diseases and plant pests

European context

- Food legislation, including General Food (and Feed) Law (GFL), Regulations 852/2004 and 853/2004
- Animal Health Law (AHL) Regulation (EU) 2016/429
- Plant Health Law (PHL) Regulation (EU) 2016/2031
- New Official Control Regulation (OCR) Regulation (EU) 2017/625

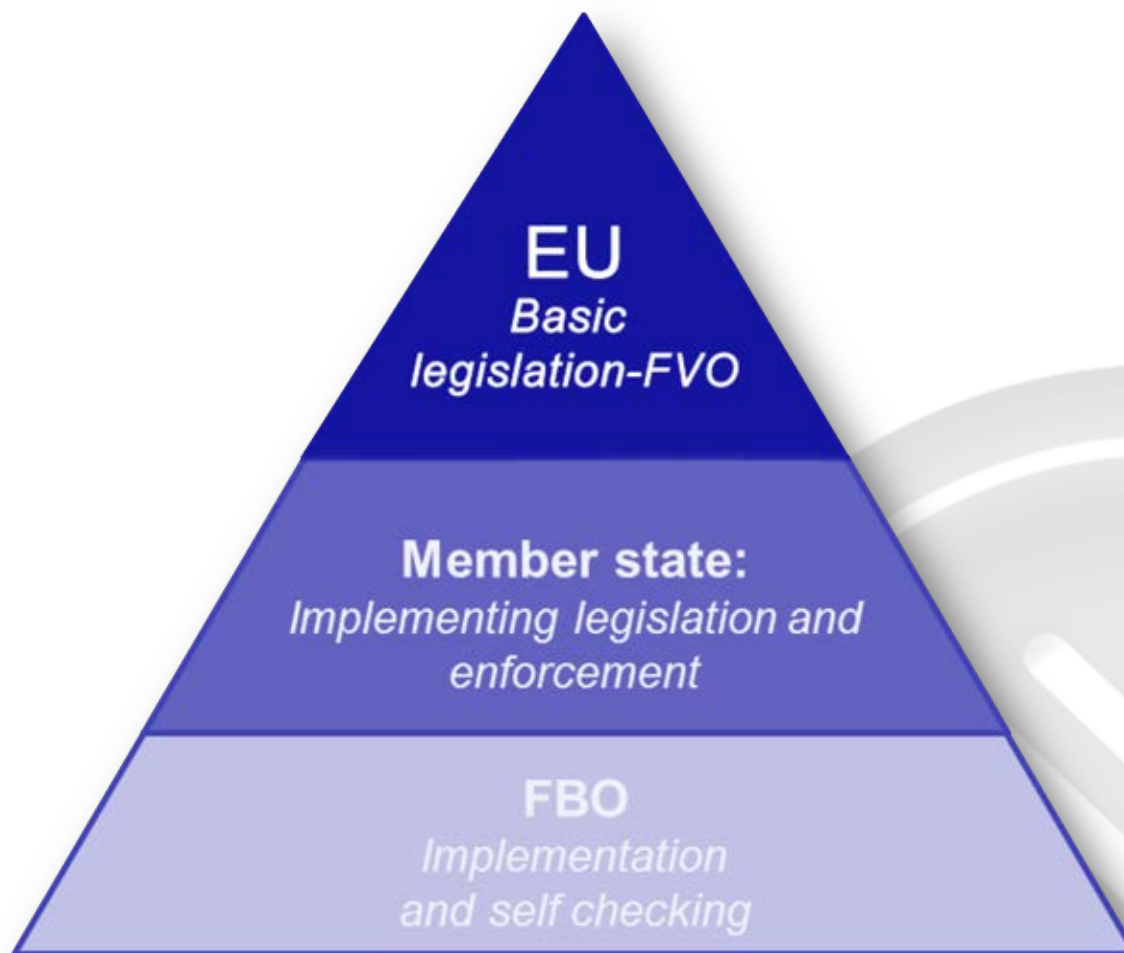
European context : OCR

- verify compliance with food and feed law, animal health and welfare, plant health and animal-by products rules.
- more harmonised and coherent approach to official controls and relevant enforcement actions along the entire agri-food chain.
- minimise the burden on businesses.

European context : OCR

- take into account the likelihood of fraudulent and deceptive behaviours
- enhance transparency of official controls (ex. Publication outcome and enforcement measures)
- Provisions for border controls (import) and official certification (export)
- Gradually implemented from 14th of December 2019 on

European context: Food safety responsibilities



the FASFC in numbers

5 own labs
(ISO 17025)

a network of
external labs 60

112.666
export certificates

1.310
staff members

158.596
operators

106.143 missions
at 55.098 operators

73.439 samples
(181.191 analyses)

a €173 million budget
(of which 55% comes from
Public funding)

Import into the EU

- EC Competence (DG SANTE)
- Provisions in the OCR:
 - integrated approach to import controls
 - more emphasis on risk-based approach
 - Border Control Posts (BCPs) with minimum requirements for facilities, equipment and staff qualifications
 - All consignments to be presented at the BCPs will undergo documentary checks. Identity and physical checks will be carried out at a frequency depending on the risk

Import into Belgium: BCPs



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Import into the EU

- Provisions in the OCR:
 - Common Health Entry Document (CHED): prior notification + results checks + movement of consignments
 - IMSOC will allow the integration of all existing computerised systems (TRACES, RASFF, Europhyt, AAC)
 - close cooperation among Competent Authorities, customs authorities and other authorities involved

Import into the EU

- Mandatory channeling of products to border control entities and uniform frequencies for checks apply to live animals, products of animal origin, plants and plant products
- vast majority of other products of relevance for the food chain is not channeled; exception: food and feed of non-animal origin which is temporarily subject to mandatory border controls due to the existence of an identified risk (i.e. the products listed under Implementing Regulation (EC) No 2019/1793.

Import into the EU

- Import conditions laid down in delegated and implementing regulations
- Animals and products of animal origin: animal health import conditions laid down in Animal Health Law; in force as from 21 April 2021
- Exemption of certain animals and goods from official controls at Border Control posts

Import of animals and animal products

- The non-EU country of origin must be authorized; audits by DG SANTE – HFAA (formerly known as FVO)
- The establishment of origin must be approved and authorised to import into the EU (certain products of animal origin)
- The non-EU country of origin must have an approved residue plan
- veterinary certificate models

Import of animals and animal products

- Prior notification in TRACES NT and creation of Common Health Entry Document (CHED)
- Veterinary border control in Border control post (BCP)

Import of plants and plant products

- Plant health import conditions in Plant Health Law and delegated and implementing acts
- Certain plants, plant products and other objects entering the EU must have a phytosanitary certificate, issued by the exporting country's national plant protection authority
- Documentary, identity and physical check (Inspection to ensure the consignment is free from harmful organisms) – reduced checks possible
- Wood Packing Material (WPM) – ISPM 15
- Europhyt: European database for the notification of interceptions for plant health reasons. Integrated in IMSOC

Import into Belgium

- Implementation of EU legislation
- FASFC = competent authority; close collaboration with Customs (protocol)
- Risk based annual control plan (inspections, samples)
- Instructions for BCP personnel published on FASFC intranet

Import into Belgium: some numbers - general

- Animals: 4,085 (0.2%)
- Animal products for human consumption: 22,968 (0.7%)
- Plants and plant products: 19,525 (1,0%)
- Animal products not for human consumption: 2,539 (1,6%)

Imported consignments in 2018 (% rejected)

Import into Belgium: Indonesia - border rejections

- Aflatoxins in nutmeg (REG 2019/1793)
- Heavy metals in fishery products
- Presence of quarantine organisms
- Absence of certificate (or incomplete)

Import into Belgium: interceptions/border rejections

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RASFF Portal

European Commission

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Notifications list New search Export to...

Search result: 639 notifications

Search criteria Country Indonesia (ID)

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	Classification	Date of case	Reference	Notifying country	Subject	Product Category	Type	Risk decision	
1.	information for follow-up	04/06/2020	2020.2307	Germany	organic cashew nuts from Indonesia infested with moulds	nuts, nut products and seeds	food	undecided	Details
2.	border rejection	30/04/2020	2020.1812	Netherlands	aflatoxins (B1 = 11 µg/kg - ppb) and ochratoxin A (340 µg/kg - ppb) in nutmeg from Indonesia	herbs and spices	food	serious	Details
3.	border rejection	27/04/2020	2020.1781	Italy	cadmium (0.15 mg/kg - ppm) in frozen mackerel tuna (<i>Euthynnus affinis</i>) from Indonesia	fish and fish products	food	serious	Details
4.	information for attention	17/03/2020	2020.1238	Italy	cadmium (0.16 mg/kg - ppm) in frozen mackerel tuna (<i>Euthynnus affinis</i>) from Indonesia	fish and fish products	food	serious	Details
5.	information for follow-up	27/02/2020	2020.0854	Denmark	Salmonella enterica ser. Rulru (presence) in palm kernel cake from Indonesia, via Switzerland	feed materials	feed	not serious	Details

Import into Belgium: interceptions/border rejections

Country of Export	Commodity	Plant Species	Harmful Organism	No. of Interceptions
INDIA	OTHER LIVING PLANTS : LEAVES	Moringa oleifera	Liriomyza	1
		Moringa oleifera	Liriomyza sativae	1
		Ocimum basilicum	Liriomyza	1
INDIA			Sum*:	36
INDONESIA	INTENDED FOR PLANTING : CUTTINGS	Hygrophila	Bemisia tabaci	1
		ornamental plants	Diaspididae	1
	INTENDED FOR PLANTING : NOT YET PLANTED	Bougainvillea spectabilis	Scirtothrips dorsalis	1
		mixed plants	Pseudococcidae	1
		Philodendron	Pseudococcidae	2
	OTHER LIVING PLANTS : FRUIT & VEGETABLES	Capsicum	Tephritidae	1
		Citrus hystrix	Xanthomonas citri pv. citri	1
		Citrus limon	Xanthomonas citri pv. citri	1
		Citrus maxima	Bactrocera	1
		Manihot esculenta	Bemisia tabaci	1
		Salacca	Bactrocera	1
		Salacca edulis	Bactrocera	1
INDONESIA			Sum*:	13
IRAN (ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF)	OTHERS(!)	complex of known fungi	Coleoptera	1

Trade with Indonesia

- Import into Belgium

Top ten products (X 100 kg) 2019

Crude palm oil, for technical or industrial uses (excl. for manufacture of foodstuffs)	260332
Palm oil and its liquid fractions, whether or not refined, but not chemically modified, for industrial uses (excl. for production of foodstuffs and crude)	189552
Coffee (excl. roasted and decaffeinated)	98599
Solid palm kernel and babassu oil fractions, whether or not refined, but not chemically modified, in immediate packings of > 1 kg or put up otherwise	73214
Preparations of a kind used in animal feeding, containing no starch, glucose, glucose syrup, maltodextrine, maltodextrine syrup nor milk products (excl. dog or cat food put up for retail sale, fish or marine mammal solubles, residues from the manufacture of starch from maize referred to in Additional Note 5 to chapter 23, beet-pulp with added molasses, and premixes)	48366
Solid palm oil fractions, whether or not refined, but not chemically modified, in packings of > 1 kg or put up otherwise	41399
Raw palm kernel oil and babassu oil in immediate packings of a net content of > 1 kg or put up otherwise (excl. oils for technical or industrial uses)	39752
Food preparations, n.e.s., not containing milkfats, sucrose, isoglucose starch or glucose or containing, by weight, < 1,5% milkfat, < 5% sucrose or isoglucose, < 5% glucose or < 5% starch	35423
Crude palm oil (excl. for technical or industrial uses)	27011
Palm kernel and babassu oil and their liquid fractions, whether or not refined, but not chemically modified, in immediate packings of > 1 kg or put up otherwise (excl. for technical or industrial uses and crude)	19043

Trade with Indonesia

- Import into Belgium

Top ten fishery products (X 100 kg) 2019

Frozen shrimps of the genus "Penaeus", even smoked, whether in shell or not, incl. shrimps in shell, cooked by steaming or by boiling in water	4860
Frozen fish fillets, n.e.s.	4305
Crab, prepared or preserved (excl. smoked)	1533
Frozen catfish "Pangasius spp., Silurus spp., Clarias spp., Ictalurus spp."	1504
Frozen fillets of tilapia "Oreochromis spp."	800
Shrimps and prawns, prepared or preserved, in airtight containers (excl. smoked)	669
Frozen fish, n.e.s.	624
Frozen fillets of tuna "of the genus Thunnus", skipjack or stripe-bellied bonito "Euthynnus [Katsuwonus] pelamis"	563
Octopus "Octopus spp.", frozen	546
Shrimps and prawns, prepared or preserved, in immediate packings of a net content of <= 2 kg (excl. merely smoked, and in airtight containers)	385

Import into Belgium: mail/links

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- www.fasfc.be
- https://ec.europa.eu/food/overview_en
- <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/oj/direct-access.html>



Thank you for your attention!

Together towards a safer food chain!

