

**COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2021/1327****of 10 August 2021****amending Annexes II, IX and XV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/405 as regards the lists of third countries or regions thereof authorised for the entry into the Union of fresh meat of wild solipeds, fishery products from aquaculture, and insects, and correcting Annex XI to that Implementing Regulation as regards the list of third countries and regions thereof authorised for the entry into the Union of frogs' legs and snails****(Text with EEA relevance)**

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) <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 127(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/625 <sup>(2)</sup> supplements Regulation (EU) 2017/625 as regards the requirements for the entry into the Union of consignments of certain animals and goods intended for human consumption from third countries or regions thereof, in order to ensure that they comply with the applicable requirements established in the rules on food safety referred to in Article 1(2)(a) of Regulation (EU) 2017/625 or with requirements recognised to be at least equivalent. Those requirements include the identification of the animals and goods intended for human consumption which may only enter the Union from third countries or regions listed in accordance with Article 126(2)(a) of Regulation (EU) 2017/625.
- (2) A third country or region thereof can only be included in the list referred to in Article 126(2)(a) of Regulation (EU) 2017/625 if it complies with the requirements laid down in Article 127 of Regulation (EU) 2017/625, and with those laid down in Article 4(a) to (f) of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/625. The requirement laid down in Article 4(f) of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/625 is the existence, implementation and communication of a residues control programme approved by the Commission, when applicable, in accordance with Council Directive 96/23/EC <sup>(3)</sup>.
- (3) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/405 <sup>(4)</sup> lays down the lists of third countries and regions thereof authorised for the entry into the Union of certain animals and goods intended for human consumption in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2017/625, while Commission Decision 2011/163/EU <sup>(5)</sup> approves the residue monitoring plans submitted by certain third countries concerning specific animals and animal products listed in the Annex to that Decision.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 95, 7.4.2017, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/625 of 4 March 2019 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to requirements for the entry into the Union of consignments of certain animals and goods intended for human consumption (OJ L 131, 17.5.2019, p. 18).

<sup>(3)</sup> Council Directive 96/23/EC of 29 April 1996 on measures to monitor certain substances and residues thereof in live animals and animal products and repealing Directives 85/358/EEC and 86/469/EEC and Decisions 89/187/EEC and 91/664/EEC (OJ L 125, 23.5.1996, p. 10).

<sup>(4)</sup> Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/405 of 24 March 2021 laying down the lists of third countries or regions thereof authorised for the entry into the Union of certain animals and goods intended for human consumption in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 114, 31.3.2021, p. 118).

<sup>(5)</sup> Commission Decision 2011/163/EU of 16 March 2011 on the approval of plans submitted by third countries in accordance with Article 29 of Council Directive 96/23/EC (OJ L 70, 17.3.2011, p. 40).

- (4) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2021/653 <sup>(6)</sup> amended Decision 2011/163/EU and approved the residue monitoring plans of certain third countries, which comply with the requirement laid down in Article 4(f) of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/625. Some of these third countries had already submitted appropriate evidence and guarantees that the animals and goods concerned comply with the requirements laid down in Article 4(a) to (e) of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/625. These countries should be accordingly included in the lists laid down in Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/405.
- (5) Implementing Decision (EU) 2021/653 removed or restricted the approval of the residue monitoring plans of certain third countries, which are currently included in the lists laid down in Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/405. The lists laid down in Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/405 should be amended accordingly so as to remove or restrict the authorisation of these countries.
- (6) Implementing Decision (EU) 2021/653 approved the residue monitoring plan of Namibia for wild game. Since Namibia provided sufficient evidence and guarantees that it fulfils the requirements of Union legislation for the entry into the Union of consignments of fresh meat, excluding offal and minced meat, and of meat preparations of wild solipeds, this country should be added to the list of third countries authorised for the entry into the Union of meat of wild solipeds laid down in Annex II to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/405, with the remark 'only wild game'.
- (7) Implementing Decision (EU) 2021/653 approved the residue monitoring plan of Nigeria for aquaculture with the remark 'excluding finfish'. Since Nigeria has provided sufficient evidence and guarantees that it fulfils the requirements of Union legislation for the entry into the Union of consignments of fishery products from aquaculture, the entry of Nigeria in the list laid down in Annex IX to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/405 should be amended so as to authorise the country for entry into the Union of consignments of fishery products from aquaculture with the exception of finfish.
- (8) Implementing Decision (EU) 2021/653 approved the residue monitoring plan of Oman for aquaculture with the remark 'excluding crustaceans'. Since Oman has provided sufficient evidence and guarantees that it fulfils the requirements of Union legislation for the entry into the Union of consignments of fishery products from aquaculture, the entry of Oman in the list laid down in Annex IX to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/405 should be amended so as to authorise the country for the entry into the Union of consignments of fishery products from aquaculture with the exception of crustaceans.
- (9) Implementing Decision (EU) 2021/653 added the remark 'excluding crustaceans' to the approval of the residue monitoring plans for aquaculture of the Falklands Islands, Montenegro, Morocco and Ukraine. Therefore, these countries should not be authorised for the entry into the Union of crustaceans from aquaculture. Annex IX to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/405 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (10) Implementing Decision (EU) 2021/653 added the remark 'excluding finfish' to the approval of the residue monitoring plans for aquaculture of Guatemala, Mozambique, Nicaragua, and Tanzania. Therefore, these countries should not be authorised for the entry into the Union of finfish from aquaculture. Annex IX to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/405 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (11) Implementing Decision (EU) 2021/653 amended the footnotes applying to aquaculture products. 'Only crustaceans' and 'only finfish' were replaced by 'excluding finfish' and 'excluding crustaceans', respectively. For consistency reasons, it is necessary to align the wording of the remarks in Annex IX to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/405 to that in Implementing Decision (EU) 2021/653.
- (12) On 12 March 2021, the competent authority of the United Kingdom submitted to the Commission the relevant questionnaire for the evaluation of the entry of insects intended for human consumption into the Union. The competent authority of the United Kingdom responded satisfactorily to all questions, and therefore provided sufficient evidence and guarantees to the Commission that requirements equivalent to Article 126(1) of Regulation (EU) 2017/625 were complied with. The United Kingdom should therefore be included in the list of third countries

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<sup>(6)</sup> Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2021/653 of 20 April 2021 amending Decision 2011/163/EU on the approval of plans submitted by third countries in accordance with Article 29 of Council Directive 96/23/EC (OJ L 138, 22.4.2021, p. 1).

authorised for the entry into the Union of consignments of insects laid down in Annex XV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/405, without prejudice to the application of Union law to and in the United Kingdom in respect of Northern Ireland in accordance with Article 5(4) of the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland to the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community in conjunction with Annex 2 to that Protocol.

- (13) Annexes II, IX and XV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/405 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (14) Annex XI to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/405 contains errors concerning Armenia and Azerbaijan in terms of omission and product authorisation. Those errors alter the meaning of the text.
- (15) Annex XI to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/405 should therefore be corrected accordingly.
- (16) 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*

Annexes II, IX, XI and XV to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/405 are replaced by the text set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth 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, 10 August 2021.

*For the Commission*  
*The President*  
Ursula VON DER LEYEN

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## ANNEX

## ANNEX II

**List of third countries authorised for the entry into the Union of consignments of fresh meat, excluding offal and minced meat, and of meat preparations of wild solipeds, as referred to in Article 5 and Article 19(2)**

COUNTRY ISO CODE	THIRD COUNTRY	REMARKS
NA	Namibia	Only wild game
ZA	South Africa	Only wild game

## ANNEX IX

**List of third countries or regions thereof authorised for the entry into the Union of consignments of certain fishery products, as referred to in Article 13, Articles 18(3), 19(4), and 20(3), and Articles 22(b) and 25(d)**

COUNTRY ISO CODE	THIRD COUNTRY OR REGIONS THEREOF	REMARKS
AE	United Arab Emirates	Aquaculture: Only raw material either from Member States or from other third countries approved for imports of such raw material into the Union
AG	Antigua and Barbuda	Only live lobsters from wild catch
AL	Albania	Excluding crustaceans from aquaculture
AM	Armenia	Only live wild crayfish, heat processed non-farmed crayfish and frozen non-farmed crayfish
AO	Angola	Only wild catch
AR	Argentina	
AU	Australia	
AZ	Azerbaijan	Only caviar from wild catch
BA	Bosnia and Herzegovina	Excluding crustaceans from aquaculture
BD	Bangladesh	
BJ	Benin	Only wild catch
BN	Brunei	Only aquaculture products
BQ	Bonaire, Sint Eustatius, Saba	Only wild catch
BR	Brazil	
BS	Bahamas	Only wild catch
BY	Belarus	
BZ	Belize	Only wild catch
CA	Canada	
CG	Congo	Only wild catch. Only fishery products caught, frozen and packed in their final packaging at sea

CH	Switzerland (1)	
CI	Cote d'Ivoire	Only wild catch
CL	Chile	
CN	China	
CO	Colombia	
CR	Costa Rica	
CU	Cuba	
CV	Cape Verde	Only wild catch
CW	Curaçao	Only wild catch
DZ	Algeria	Only wild catch
EC	Ecuador	
EG	Egypt	Only wild catch
ER	Eritrea	Only wild catch
FJ	Fiji	Only wild catch
FK	Falkland Islands	Excluding crustaceans from aquaculture
GA	Gabon	Only wild catch
GB	United Kingdom (2)	
GD	Grenada	Only wild catch
GE	Georgia	Only wild catch
GG	Guernsey	Only wild catch
GH	Ghana	Only wild catch
GL	Greenland	Only wild catch
GM	Gambia	Only wild catch
GN	Guinea	Only wild catch. Only fish that has not undergone any preparation or processing operation other than heading, gutting, chilling or freezing.
GT	Guatemala	Excluding finfish from aquaculture
GY	Guyana	Only wild catch
HK	Hong Kong	Only wild catch
HN	Honduras	
ID	Indonesia	
IL	Israel (3)	
IM	Isle of Man	
IN	India	
IR	Iran	Excluding finfish from aquaculture
JE	Jersey	Only wild catch
JM	Jamaica	Only wild catch

JP	Japan	
KE	Kenya	
KI	Kiribati	Only wild catch
KR	South Korea	
KZ	Kazakhstan	Only wild catch
LK	Sri Lanka	
MA	Morocco	Excluding crustaceans from aquaculture
MD	Moldova	Only caviar
ME	Montenegro	Excluding crustaceans from aquaculture
MG	Madagascar	
MK	North Macedonia	
MM	Myanmar/Burma	
MR	Mauritania	Only wild catch
MU	Mauritius	
MV	Maldives	Only wild catch
MX	Mexico	
MY	Malaysia	
MZ	Mozambique	Excluding finfish from aquaculture
NA	Namibia	Only wild catch
NC	New Caledonia	Excluding finfish from aquaculture
NG	Nigeria	Excluding finfish from aquaculture
NI	Nicaragua	Excluding finfish from aquaculture
NZ	New Zealand	
OM	Oman	Excluding crustaceans from aquaculture
PA	Panama	
PE	Peru	
PF	French Polynesia	Only wild catch
PG	Papua New Guinea	Only wild catch
PH	Philippines	
PM	Saint Pierre and Miquelon	Only wild catch
PK	Pakistan	Only wild catch
RS	Serbia	
RU	Russia	Only wild catch
SA	Saudi Arabia	
SB	Solomon Islands	Only wild catch
SC	Seychelles	Only wild catch
SG	Singapore	

SH	Saint Helena (Not including the islands of Tristan da Cunha and Ascension)	Only wild catch
	Tristan da Cunha (Not including the islands of Saint Helena and Ascension)	Only lobsters (fresh or frozen) from wild catch
SN	Senegal	Only wild catch
SR	Suriname	Only wild catch
SV	El Salvador	Only wild catch
SX	Sint Maarten	Only wild catch
TH	Thailand	
TN	Tunisia	Excluding crustaceans from aquaculture
TR	Turkey	
TW	Taiwan	
TZ	Tanzania	Excluding finfish from aquaculture
UA	Ukraine	Excluding crustaceans from aquaculture
UG	Uganda	
US	United States	
UY	Uruguay	
VE	Venezuela	
VN	Vietnam	
YE	Yemen	Only wild catch
ZA	South Africa	Only wild catch
ZW	Zimbabwe	Only wild catch

(<sup>1</sup>) In accordance with the Agreement of 21 June 1999 between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products (OJ L 114, 30.4.2002, p. 132).

(<sup>2</sup>) In accordance with the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 5(4) of the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland in conjunction with Annex 2 to that Protocol, for the purposes of this Annex references to the United Kingdom do not include Northern Ireland.

(<sup>3</sup>) Hereinafter understood as the State of Israel, excluding the territories under Israeli administration since June 1967, namely the Golan Heights, the Gaza Strip, East Jerusalem and the rest of the West Bank.

#### ANNEX XI

#### List of third countries or regions thereof authorised for the entry into the Union of consignments of frogs' legs and of snails, as referred to in Article 17

COUNTRY ISO CODE	THIRD COUNTRY OR REGIONS THEREOF	REMARKS
AL	Albania	
AM	Armenia	Only snails
AU	Australia	

AZ	Azerbaijan	
BA	Bosnia and Herzegovina	Only snails
BR	Brazil	Only frogs' legs
BY	Belarus	Only snails
CA	Canada	Only snails
CH	Switzerland <sup>(1)</sup>	
CI	Côte d'Ivoire	Only snails
CL	Chile	Only snails
CN	China	
DZ	Algeria	Only snails
EG	Egypt	Only frogs' legs
GB	United Kingdom <sup>(2)</sup>	
GG	Guernsey	
GH	Ghana	Only snails
ID	Indonesia	
IM	Isle of Man	
IN	India	Only frogs' legs
JE	Jersey	
MA	Morocco	Only snails
MD	Moldova	Only snails
MK	North Macedonia	Only snails
NG	Nigeria	Only snails
NZ	New Zealand	Only snails
PE	Peru	Only snails
RS	Serbia	Only snails
TH	Thailand	Only snails
TN	Tunisia	Only snails
TR	Turkey	
UA	Ukraine	Only snails
US	United States	Only snails
VN	Vietnam	
ZA	South Africa	Only snails

<sup>(1)</sup> In accordance with the Agreement of 21 June 1999 between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products (OJ L 114, 30.4.2002, p. 132).

<sup>(2)</sup> In accordance with the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 5(4) of the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland in conjunction with Annex 2 to that Protocol, for the purposes of this Annex references to the United Kingdom do not include Northern Ireland.



## ANNEX XV

**List of third countries authorised for the entry into the Union of consignments of insects as referred to in Article 24**

COUNTRY ISO CODE	THIRD COUNTRY OR REGIONS THEREOF	REMARKS
CA	Canada	
CH	Switzerland	
GB	United Kingdom <sup>(1)</sup>	
KR	South Korea	
TH	Thailand	
VN	Vietnam'	

<sup>(1)</sup> In accordance with the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 5(4) of the Protocol on Ireland/Northern Ireland in conjunction with Annex 2 to that Protocol, for the purposes of this Annex references to the United Kingdom do not include Northern Ireland.