



# Official Controls Regulation

## Delegated and implementing acts

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# The task of the Commission

Commission is empowered to lay down delegated and implementing acts.

Conditions and controls to be adjusted to the needs of a constantly changing agri-food chain environment.

Further precision to the rules, consistency and help to establish a level playing field across the Union.

## *Since 2017:*

- *More than 60 meetings with Member States and stakeholders*
- *So far, 39 delegated and implementing acts adopted*

# Plant health and animal welfare

Under the Plant Health Regulation: Procedures for the risk assessment of high risk plants and for the issuance and use of the new plant passport.

Under the Official Controls Regulation: Uniform performance of plant health checks, including the frequency of controls.

Five European Union Reference Laboratories for plant health established.

Two European Union Reference Centers for animal welfare established.

Rules on veterinary checks on animals and food of animal origin, with both animal welfare and food safety concerns in mind.



# Entry into the Union

The Official Controls Regulation establishes a common framework for carrying out border controls.

Less burdensome for competent authorities and businesses alike.

Ensuring more consistent checks on commodities entering the EU market.



Example: In 2018, seafood of a value of 25,3 billion euro was imported into the EU.

# Additional rules on border controls

Strengthened rules on intensified and temporarily increased border controls.

Common requirements for e.g. prior notification, transit and transshipment and the frequency of border controls.

New rules on wood packaging material entering the Union, where the outcome of controls will be recorded in IMSOC.



# Conclusion

Improvements in the Official Controls Regulation and the Plant Health Regulation have been further developed in delegated and implementing acts.

Smarter rules which do not only solve the problems of today, but are fit to tackle the challenges of tomorrow.

List of delegated and implementing acts on official controls:

[https://ec.europa.eu/food/safety/official\\_controls/legislation\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/food/safety/official_controls/legislation_en)

More empowerments remain to be used, e.g. on health certificates, laboratories and animal welfare.

