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COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2025/2521

of 15 December 2025

amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072 as regards requirements to prevent the entry into, and spread within, the Union territory, of *Aromia bungii* (Faldermann)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 October 2016 on protective measures against pests of plants, amending Regulations (EU) No 228/2013, (EU) No 652/2014 and (EU) No 1143/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Council Directives 69/464/EEC, 74/647/EEC, 93/85/EEC, 98/57/EC, 2000/29/EC, 2006/91/EC and 2007/33/EC⁽¹⁾, and in particular Articles 41(3), Article 72(1) and Article 79(2),

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/1503⁽²⁾ established measures to prevent the introduction into and the spread within the Union of *Aromia bungii* (Faldermann) ('the specified pest') and was replaced by Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/2520⁽³⁾. It also included requirements concerning the introduction into, and movement within, the Union of certain plants and plant products.
- (2) After the repeal of Council Directive 2000/29/EC⁽⁴⁾, by Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 of the European Parliament and of the Council, Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072⁽⁵⁾ established, *inter alia*, requirements for the introduction into and movement within the Union of plants, plant products and other objects.
- (3) More specifically, Annex VII to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072 establishes a list of plants, plant products and other objects, originating from third countries, and the corresponding special requirements for their introduction into the Union territory. Annex VIII to that Regulation sets out a list of plants, plant products and other objects, originating in the Union territory and the corresponding special requirements for their movement within the Union territory. Annex XI to that Regulation sets out a list of plants, plant products and other objects subject to phytosanitary certificates and those for which such certificates are not required for their introduction into the Union territory. Annex XIII to that Regulation lists the plants, plant products and other objects for which a plant passport is required for their movement within the Union territory.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 317, 23.11.2016, p. 4, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/2031/oj>.

⁽²⁾ Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/1503 of 8 October 2018 establishing measures to prevent the introduction into and the spread within the Union of *Aromia bungii* (Faldermann) (OJ L 254, 10.10.2018, p. 9, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec_impl/2018/1503/oj).

⁽³⁾ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/2520 of 15 December 2025 establishing measures to prevent the establishment and spread within the Union territory of *Aromia bungii* (Faldermann) and on measures for the eradication and containment of that pest within certain demarcated areas and repealing Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/1503 (OJ L, 2025/2520, 16.12.2025, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2025/2520/oj).

⁽⁴⁾ Council Directive 2000/29/EC of 8 May 2000 on protective measures against the introduction into the Community of organisms harmful to plants or plant products and against their spread within the Community (OJ L 169, 10.7.2000, p. 1, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2000/29/oj>).

⁽⁵⁾ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072 of 28 November 2019 establishing uniform conditions for the implementation of Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 of the European Parliament and the Council, as regards protective measures against pests of plants, and repealing Commission Regulation (EC) No 690/2008 and amending Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/2019 (OJ L 319, 10.12.2019, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2019/2072/oj).

- (4) The application of most of the measures of Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/1503 concerning the introduction into and movement within the Union territory of the specified plants has proved effective in reducing the risk of those pests to an acceptable level.
- (5) It is appropriate, for reasons of consistency and legal certainty, to list the specified plants in Annexes VII, VIII, XI and XIII to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072 and to include those measures, where necessary in an updated form, as requirements concerning the introduction into and movement within the Union of plants, plant products and other objects that can host the specified pest.
- (6) Based on findings of the specified pest in the Union during the application of Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/1503, the list of the host plants of that pest should be extended to cover all *Prunus* species and include *Prunus laurocerasus*.
- (7) Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/1503 requires that prior to the movement of the specified plants within the Union, the plants have been grown in a site where, *inter alia*, targeted destructive sampling is carried out on each lot of specified plants. That targeted destructive sampling is to be carried out at specific levels set out in that legal act.
- (8) Experience during the application of Implementing Decision (EU) 2018/1503 has shown that the established levels of destructive sampling of the specified plants are disproportionately high, because they lead to the destruction of an unnecessarily large number of plants, without correspondingly increasing the confidence level of the sampling.
- (9) For that reason, instead of defining the level of such sampling, it is sufficient to require that the respective sampling scheme used is to be able to identify with at least 99 % confidence level, a presence level of infested plants of 1 %.
- (10) The CN codes listed in Annex VII and Annex XI to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072 should be amended to reflect the most recent amendment of Council Regulation (EEC) 2658/87 ⁽⁶⁾.
- (11) Certain types of wood should be added to the list contained in Annex XIII to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072, because a plant passport is necessary for their movement within the Union, in order to attest compliance with the respective special requirements in relation to *Aromia bungii* (Faldermann) set out in Annex VIII to that Regulation.
- (12) Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (13) 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

Amendment of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072

Annexes VII, VIII, XI and XIII to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072 are amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

⁽⁶⁾ Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 of 23 July 1987 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff (OJ L 256, 7.9.1987, p. 1, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/1987/2658/oj>).

*Article 2***Entry into force**

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, 15 December 2025.

For the Commission
The President
Ursula VON DER LEYEN

Annexes VII, VIII, XI and XIII to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072 are amended as follows:

(1) in Annex VII, point 101 is replaced by the following:

'101.	Wood in the form of chips, particles, shavings, wood waste and scrap obtained in whole or in part from <i>Prunus</i> spp.	ex 4401 22 90 ex 4401 49 90 ex 4401 49 10	China, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Mongolia, Japan, Republic of Korea and Vietnam	Official statement that the wood: (a) originates in an area established by the national plant protection organisation in the country of origin as being free from <i>Aromia bungii</i> (Faldermann), in accordance with the International Standard for Phytosanitary Measures ISPM 4(*). The pest free area shall be mentioned on the phytosanitary certificate under the rubric 'place of origin'; or (b) has been processed into pieces of not more than 2,5 cm thickness and width; or (c) has undergone an appropriate heat treatment to achieve a minimum temperature of 56 °C for a minimum duration of 30 minutes throughout the entire profile of the wood, which is to be indicated on the phytosanitary certificate referred to in Article 71 of Regulation (EU) No 2016/2031.'
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(2) Annex VIII is amended as follows:

(a) the following point 17.4 is inserted after point 17.3:

'17.4	Plants for planting that have a stem diameter of 1 cm or more at their thickest point, of <i>Prunus</i> spp., originating in a demarcated area established pursuant to Article 5 of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/2520 or introduced into a place of production in such an area	Official statement that the plants have been grown during at least two years prior to movement, or in the case of plants which are younger than two years, throughout their life, in a place of production which fulfils the following requirements: (a) it has been subjected annually to at least two official inspections for any sign of <i>Aromia bungii</i> (Faldermann) carried out at appropriate times, and no such sign has been found, including where appropriate targeted destructive sampling on the stems and branches of plants, and (b) where the plants have been grown in a site: (i) with physical isolation against the introduction of <i>Aromia bungii</i> (Faldermann); or (ii) where official surveys for the presence or signs of <i>Aromia bungii</i> (Faldermann) have been carried out annually within a width of at least 1 km around the site at appropriate times, and no <i>Aromia bungii</i> (Faldermann) or signs of it were found and
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		(iii) 1. preventive treatments have been applied; or (iii) 2. targeted destructive sampling has been carried out on each lot prior to movement, including targeted destructive sampling of branches and stems of plants. The size of the sample for inspection under point (b) ii has been such as to enable the detection of at least 1 % level of infestation with a level of confidence of 99 %; Rootstocks which meet the requirements of points a) and b) may be grafted with scions, which have not been grown under these conditions, but which are no larger than 1 cm in diameter at their thickest point.'
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(b) the following points are added:

'33.	Wood of <i>Prunus</i> spp., originating in demarcated areas established pursuant to Article 5 of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/2520 or not originating but introduced into those demarcated areas, other than in the form of: — chips, particles, shavings, wood waste and scrap, obtained in whole or part from these plants; — wood packaging material, in the form of packing cases, boxes, crates, drums and similar packings, pallets, box pallets and other load boards, pallet collars, dunnage, whether or not actually in use in the transport of objects of all kinds, except dunnage supporting consignments of wood, which is constructed from wood of the same type and quality as the wood in the consignments and which meets the same Union phytosanitary requirements as the wood in the consignment, but including that which has not kept its natural round surface.	Official statement that the wood has undergone: a) an appropriate heat treatment to achieve a minimum temperature of 56 °C for a minimum duration of 30 continuous minutes throughout the entire profile of the wood, including at its core, and indicated by the mark 'HT' on the wood or on any wrapping in accordance with current usage, or b) an appropriate ionising radiation to achieve a minimum absorbed dose of 1 kGy throughout the wood, to be indicated on the phytosanitary certificate referred to in Regulation (EU) 2016/ 2031.
34.	Wood in the form of chips, particles, shavings, wood waste and scrap, obtained in whole or part from <i>Prunus</i> spp., originating in a demarcated area established pursuant to Article 5 of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/2520	Official statement that the wood: (a) has undergone an appropriate heat treatment to achieve a minimum temperature of 56 °C for a minimum duration of 30 continuous minutes throughout the entire profile of the wood (including at its core); or (b) has been processed into pieces of not more than 2,5 cm thickness and width.

35.	Wood packaging material of <i>Prunus</i> spp. originating in a demarcated area established pursuant to Article 5 of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2025/2520	The wood packaging material: (a) is made of debarked wood, as specified in Annex I to FAO International Standard for Phytosanitary Measures No 15 on Regulation of wood packaging material in international trade, and has been subjected to one of the approved treatments as specified in Annex I to that International Standard, and (b) displays a mark as specified in Annex II to that International Standard, indicating that the wood packaging material has been subjected to an approved phytosanitary treatment in accordance with this standard.'
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(3) In Annex XI, part A, in point 12, the row '*Prunus* L. including wood which has not kept its natural round surface' is replaced by the following:

' <i>Prunus</i> L. including wood which has not kept its natural round surface	Fuel wood, in logs, in billets, in twigs, in faggots or in similar forms; wood in chips or particles; sawdust and wood waste and scrap, whether or not agglomerated in logs, briquettes, pellets or similar forms: – Fuel wood, in logs, in billets, in twigs, in faggots or in similar forms: – – Non-coniferous: ex 4401 12 00 – Wood in chips or particles: – – Non-coniferous: ex 4401 22 90 – Sawdust and wood waste and scrap, not agglomerated: – – Wood waste and scrap, not agglomerated: – – – Bark and production waste, scrap, rejects and residues: ex 4401 49 10 – – – Other: ex 4401 49 90 Wood in the rough, not stripped of bark or sapwood, or roughly squared: – Treated with paint, stains, creosote or other preservatives: – – Non-coniferous: ex 4403 12 00	Canada, China, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Japan, Mongolia, Republic of Korea, United States Vietnam'
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	Wood in the rough, whether or not stripped of bark or sapwood, or roughly squared: – Other: ex 4403 99 00 Split poles; piles, pickets and stakes of wood, pointed but not sawn lengthwise: – Non-coniferous: ex 4404 20 00 Railway or tramway sleepers (cross-ties) of wood: – Not impregnated – – Non-coniferous: ex 4406 12 00 – Other – – Non-coniferous: ex 4406 92 00 Wood sawn or chipped lengthwise, sliced or peeled, whether or not planed, sanded or end-jointed, of a thickness exceeding 6 mm: – – Of cherry (<i>Prunus</i> spp.): 4407 94 10 4407 94 91 4407 94 99 – – Of other: ex 4407 99 27 ex 4407 99 40 ex 4407 99 90 Sheets for veneering (including those obtained by slicing laminated wood), for plywood or for similar laminated wood and other wood, sawn lengthwise, sliced or peeled, whether or not planed, sanded, spliced or end-jointed, of a thickness not exceeding 6 mm: ex 4408 90 15 ex 4408 90 35 ex 4408 90 95	
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	Wood (including strips and friezes for parquet flooring, not assembled) continuously shaped (tongued, grooved, rebated, chamfered, V-jointed, beaded, moulded, rounded or the like) along any of its edges, ends or faces, whether or not planed, sanded or end-jointed: – Non-coniferous: – – Other ex. 4409 29 91 ex. 4409 29 99 Casks, barrels, vats, tubs and other coopers' products and parts thereof, of wood, including staves: ex 4416 00 00 Prefabricated buildings of wood: ex 9406 10 00	
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- (4) in Annex XIII, the following points are inserted between points 4.3. and 5:
- ‘4.4. Wood, other than in the form of chips, particles, shavings, wood waste and scrap originating in demarcated areas or wood retaining all or part of its round surface not originating but introduced into those demarcated areas of *Prunus* spp., as referred to in point 33 of Annex VIII.
- 4.5. Wood in the form of chips, particles, shavings, wood waste and scrap originating in demarcated areas, obtained in whole or part from *Prunus* spp., as referred to in point 34 of Annex VIII.’.