

Directive 2009/128/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 establishing a framework for Community action to achieve the sustainable use of pesticides (Text with EEA relevance)

CHAPTER II

**TRAINING, SALES OF PESTICIDES,  
INFORMATION AND AWARENESS-RAISING**

*Article 5*

**Training**

1 Member States shall ensure that all professional users, distributors and advisors have access to appropriate training by bodies designated by the competent authorities. This shall consist of both initial and additional training to acquire and update knowledge as appropriate.

The training shall be designed to ensure that such users, distributors and advisors acquire sufficient knowledge regarding the subjects listed in Annex I, taking account of their different roles and responsibilities.

[<sup>X12</sup> By 26 November 2013, Member States shall establish certification systems and designate the competent authorities responsible for their implementation. These certificates shall, as a minimum, provide evidence of sufficient knowledge of the subjects listed in Annex I acquired by professional users, distributors and advisors either by undergoing training or by other means.]

Certification systems shall include requirements and procedures for the granting, renewal and withdrawal of certificates.

[<sup>F13</sup> The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 20a amending Annex I in order to take account of scientific and technical progress.]

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**Editorial Information**

**X1** Substituted by [Corrigendum to Directive 2009/128/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 establishing a framework for Community action to achieve the sustainable use of pesticides \(Official Journal of the European Union L 309 of 24 November 2009\)](#).

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**Textual Amendments**

**F1** Substituted by [Regulation \(EU\) 2019/1243 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 June 2019 adapting a number of legal acts providing for the use of the regulatory procedure with scrutiny to Articles 290 and 291 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union \(Text with EEA relevance\)](#).