

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1263 of 12 July 2017 updating the list of invasive alien species of Union concern established by Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1141 pursuant to Regulation (EU) No 1143/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council

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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1143/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 October 2014 on the prevention and management of the introduction and spread of invasive alien species⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 4(1) and (2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1141⁽²⁾ establishes a list of invasive alien species of Union concern ('the Union list'), which is to be kept updated as appropriate, in accordance with Article 4(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1143/2014.
- (2) The Commission has concluded, on the basis of the available evidence and the risk assessments carried out pursuant to Article 5(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1143/2014, that all criteria set out in Article 4(3) of that Regulation are met for the following invasive alien species: *Alopochen aegyptiacus* Linnaeus, 1766; *Alternanthera philoxeroides* (Mart.) Griseb.; *Asclepias syriaca* L.; *Elodea nuttallii* (Planch.) St. John; *Gunnera tinctoria* (Molina) Mirbel; *Heracleum mantegazzianum* Sommier & Levier; *Impatiens glandulifera* Royle; *Microstegium vimineum* (Trin.) A. Camus; *Myriophyllum heterophyllum* Michaux; *Nyctereutes procyonoides* Gray, 1834; *Ondatra zibethicus* Linnaeus, 1766; *Pennisetum setaceum* (Forsk.) Chiov.
- (3) The Commission has concluded that for all those invasive alien species all elements set out in Article 4(6) of Regulation (EU) No 1143/2014 have been duly considered.
- (4) Some Member States envisage applying to the Commission for authorizing the continuation of farming *Nyctereutes procyonoides* Gray, 1834 under Article 9 of Regulation (EU) No 1143/2014 for alleged compelling public interests of a social or economic nature. Against this background, the inclusion of this species on the Union list should be subject to a transition period to allow completing the procedure of Article 9 of that Regulation before the listing of this species takes effect.
- (5) Since the date of adoption of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1141, the CN codes laid down in Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87⁽³⁾ have been updated, with the most recent amendments having been laid down in Commission Implementing Regulation

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(EU) 2016/1821⁽⁴⁾. Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1141 should therefore be amended accordingly.

- (6) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee on Invasive Alien Species,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

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- (1) [OJ L 317, 4.11.2014, p. 35.](#)
- (2) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1141 of 13 July 2016 adopting a list of invasive alien species of Union concern pursuant to Regulation (EU) No 1143/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council ([OJ L 189, 14.7.2016, p. 4.](#))
- (3) 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.](#))
- (4) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1821 of 6 October 2016 amending Annex I to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff ([OJ L 294, 28.10.2016, p. 1.](#))

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