
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Plant Health (England) Order 2015 ([S.I. 2015/610](#)) to implement:

- (a) Decision No 1/2015 of the Joint Committee on Agriculture concerning the amendment to Appendices 1, 2 and 4 to Annex 4 to the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products (OJ No L 27, 1.2.2017, p. 155) (see article 15 of the Order);
- (b) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2017/198 as regards measures to prevent the introduction into and the spread within the Union of *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *actinidiae* Takikawa, Serizawa, Ichikawa, Tsuyumu & Goto (OJ No L 31, 4.2.2017, p. 29) (see articles 3(a)(i) and (ii) and (b) and 11(2)(d) of the Order);
- (c) Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2017/801 amending Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/715 setting out measures in respect of certain fruits originating in certain third countries to prevent the introduction into and the spread within the Union of the harmful organism *Phyllosticta citricarpa* (McAlpine) Van der Aa (OJ No L 120, 11.5.2017, p. 26) (see article 11(1)(e)) of the Order);
- (d) Commission Implementing Directive (EU) 2017/1279 amending Annexes I to V to Council [Directive 2000/29/EC](#) 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 No L 184, 15.7.2017, p. 33) (see articles 8, 9, 11(1), 11(2)(a) to (c), 11(3), 12, 13 and 14 of the Order).

This Order also makes minor amendments to out of date references in the Plant Health (England) Order 2015.

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sector is foreseen.