



Plant Protection Products

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Neonicotinoids – Emergency authorisations

- Several Member States grant since 2013 repeatedly authorisations under Article 53 of the PPP Regulation for the three restricted neonicotinoids for the same uses and covering large parts of their territories
- Regulation 1107/2009 allows so when there is a danger to plant health that cannot be controlled by other reasonable means (including non-chemical measures)
- Commission asked EFSA to assess whether the authorisations granted in 2017 fulfil the requirements in Article 53
- EFSA found this NOT to be the case for about 1/3

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- Commission asked the Minister of 4 Member States to commit not to grant these again – two responded positively
- For LT and RO, the Commission prepared legally binding Decisions preventing them from repeating the emergency authorisations.
- The vote on the draft decisions on 22 October 2019 resulted in a no opinion.
- Appeal Committee scheduled for 25 November 2019.



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Member State	2019 season	2020 season
1. Austria	3	
2. Belgium	2	2
3. Denmark	4	
4. Spain	1	
5. Finland	3	
6. Hungary	1	
7. Croatia	1	
8. Lithuania	1	
9. Poland	2	
10. Romania	1	
11. Slovakia	1	

Thank you for your attention!

For further information:

https://ec.europa.eu/food/plant/pesticides_en
https://ec.europa.eu/food/plant/pesticides/refit_en

https://ec.europa.eu/food/plant/pesticides/approval_active_substances/approval_renewal/neonicotinoids_en

https://ec.europa.eu/food/plant/pesticides/authorisation_of_ppp/pppams_en

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