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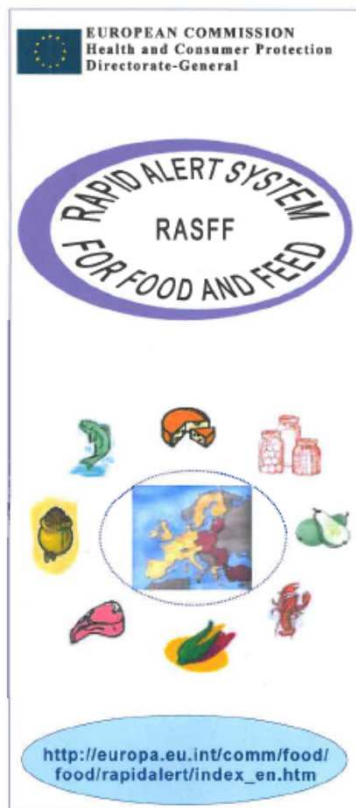
The European Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed

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RASFF - Objectives



The Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed (RASFF) allows the European Commission, EU Member States and other associated countries to **share information and take immediate action** when **dangerous food or feed is detected** on the **market** or at the **border** of the EU

RASFF – Members of the Network

Austria	Greece	Portugal	Iceland
Belgium	Hungary	Romania	Norway
Bulgaria	Ireland	Slovakia	Liechtenstein
Cyprus	Italy	Slovenia	
• Czech Republic	Latvia	Spain	
Denmark	Lithuania	Sweden	
Estonia	Luxembourg	United Kingdom	
Finland	Malta	(Croatia)	
France	Netherlands		
Germany	Poland		



European Commission



European Food Safety Authority

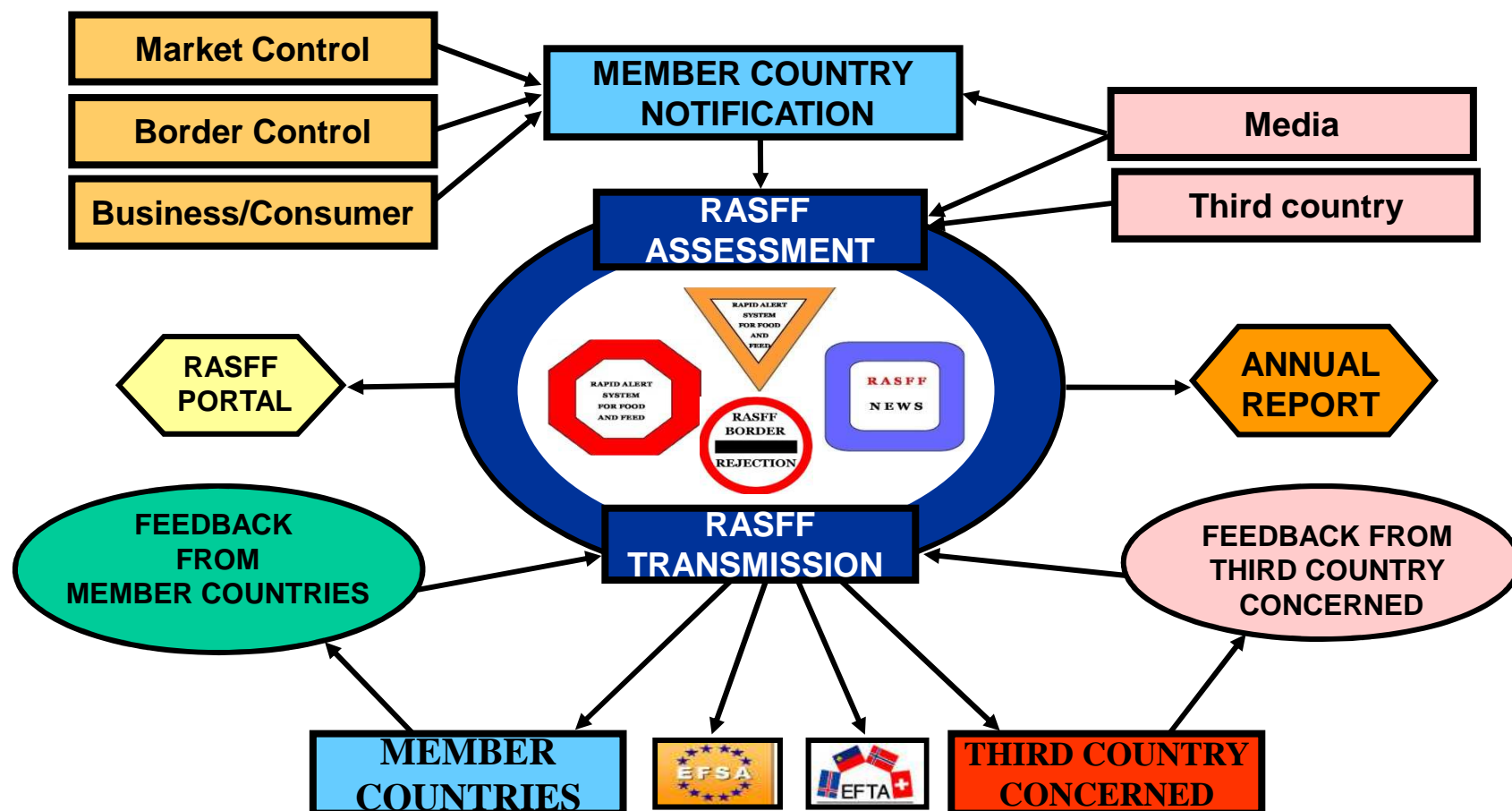


EFTA Surveillance Authority



Switzerland – partial participation

RASFF – Information Flow



RASFF – Classification of Information

Alert

Feed which is on the market arising a serious risk and requiring rapid action in another country.



Information

Feed arising a risk but not requiring rapid action in another country

- **for follow-up** (because the risk is not considered as serious)
- **for attention** (because the product is not on the market at the time of notification)

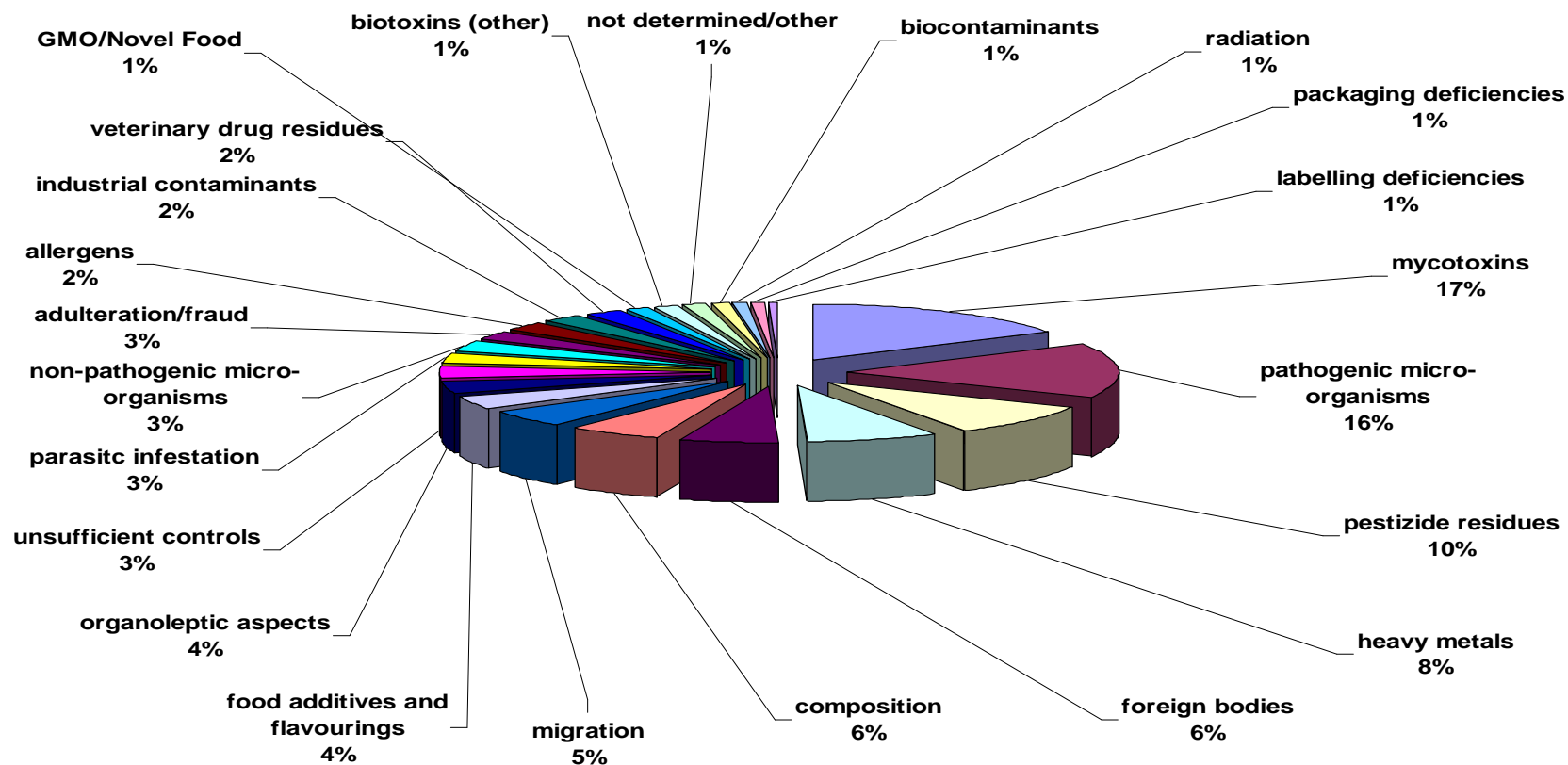


Border Rejection

Consignment of feed that was refused entry into the European Union for reason of a risk to human health and also to animal health or to the environment if it concerns feed.



RASFF – Hazards Notification 2011



RASFF – Content of Notifications/Documents

Content of Notifications

- **Type of hazard, Risk**
- **Product description**
- **Concerned batches, Tracking and Tracing**
(e.g.lot, BBD, Origin of the product)
- **Legal bases, Limits**
- **Measures taken**
(Withdrawal from market, Recall, Border rejection, Public warning, Destruction, Redispatching, Monitoring of recall, etc.)
- **Distribution**
(EU, Third Countries)

Documents

- ✓ **Notification form**
- ✓ **Analytical report**
- ✓ **Picture(s)**
- ✓ **Delivery document(s)**
- ✓ **Distribution list(s)**
- ✓ **Invoic(es)**
- ✓ **Recall, Letter of withdrawal,**
- ✓ **Press release**
- ✓ **Other documents**
(e.g. Health Certificates, CVED/CED, etc.)

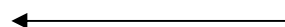
Example of a RASFF Notification



EUROPEAN COMMISSION
HEALTH & CONSUMERS DIRECTORATE-GENERAL
Directorate G – Veterinary and International affairs
G4 – Food, Alert system and training



Brussels, 7 March, 2012



symbol (Alert, Information,
Border Rejection)

FOOD
INFORMATION EXCHANGE

BORDER REJECTION NOTIFICATION: 2012.AOV
ORIGINAL NOTIFICATION

SUBJECT: DIMETHOATE IN WATER MIMOSA FROM THAILAND



product category
number of notification



title

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border control - consignment detained - no distribution - destruction

exporter: Chatchawan Import Export (Thailand)
The exporter Chatchawan Import Export has over the past year been mentioned in the following notifications: 2012.ACU; 2012.ALM; 2012.ALN
The exporter Chatchawan Import Export has been notified 4 times in the past three months.



special explanatory notes and
recommendations
by the European Commission

The contact point from Germany has communicated to the Commission the following information:

RASFF Portal – public information

The screenshot displays the RASFF Portal search interface. At the top, there is a blue header bar with the text "RASFF Portal" and navigation links: "What's new", "Help", "Disclaimer", "About", and "Log in". Below the header, there are links for "Notifications List" and "New Search". The main search area is titled "Search Page" and contains two buttons: "Get results" and "Clear form".

The search criteria are organized into several sections:

- Notification :** Includes fields for "Reference", "Subject", and "Notified by" (a dropdown menu). There are also radio buttons for "or" and "and" between the "Subject" and "Notified by" fields.
- Date :** Includes a "Week" section with radio buttons for "current week [12]", "previous week [11]", and "other". The "other" option has dropdowns for "week" and "year". Below this is a "Notified between" section with two date input fields and a format hint "(dd/mm/yyyy)".
- Type :** Includes a "Type" dropdown, a "Classification" dropdown, and a "Basis" dropdown. There is also a checkbox labeled "withdrawn".
- Product :** Includes dropdowns for "Category", "Distribution", "Origin", and "Action taken".
- Hazard :** Includes a "Category" dropdown.

At the bottom right of the search area, there are two buttons: "Save criteria" and "Load criteria". At the very bottom, a small copyright notice reads: "© DG SANCO 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 - Page generated in 0.967 seconds".

Available via the following link:

<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/rasff-window/portal/>

RASFF Portal – Overview of Notifications




RASFF Portal

Notifications List

New Search

Notifications list : 68 results

Search criteria | Week 30 - 2012



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Classification	Date of case	Last change	Reference	Country	Subject	Product Category	Type
1. alert	27/07/2012	02/08/2012	2012.1082	FR	metal pieces in chilled ready to eat horse meat sausage from Belgium	meat and meat products (other than poultry)	food
2. alert	27/07/2012	02/08/2012	2012.1080	FR	Salmonella enteritidis in frozen raw chicken from Poland, via Germany	poultry meat and poultry meat products	food
3. alert	27/07/2012	02/08/2012	2012.1078	BE	unauthorised substances clenbuterol (0.0023 mg/kg - ppm) and phenylbutazone (0.0013; 0.0015; 0.0010 mg/kg - ppm) in chilled deboned horse meat and frozen deboned horse meat from Canada	meat and meat products (other than poultry)	food
4. alert	27/07/2012	02/08/2012	2012.1075	BE	Salmonella spp. (4 out of 5 samples /25g) in soybean sprouts from Belgium	fruits and vegetables	food
5. information for attention	26/07/2012	02/08/2012	2012.1072	BG	benzethonium chloride (10900; 8800 mg/kg - ppm) in food supplement from Bulgaria, with raw material from the United States, via the United Kingdom	dietetic foods, food supplements, fortified foods	food
6. information for follow-up	26/07/2012	02/08/2012	2012.1070	IT	Listeria monocytogenes (presence /25g) in sliced smoked salmon from Lithuania, via Denmark	fish and fish products	food
7. alert	23/07/2012	02/08/2012	2012.1043	IE	unauthorised 1,3 dimethylamylamine (DMAA) in food supplement from the United States, via Poland	dietetic foods, food supplements, fortified foods	food
8. border rejection	26/07/2012	02/08/2012	2012.BNW	NL	aflatoxins in peanuts from Argentina	nuts, nut products and seeds	food
9. information for follow-up	27/07/2012	01/08/2012	2012.1076	LU	too high content of copper (75 mg/kg - ppm) in feed for laying hens from Belgium	compound feeds	feed
10. alert	25/07/2012	01/08/2012	2012.1069	FR	shigatoxin-producing Escherichia coli (O103:H2 eae+, stx1+) in chilled Roquefort cheese from France	milk and milk products	food
11. border rejection	24/07/2012	01/08/2012	2012.BNI	IT	undeclared E 330 - citric acid (0.15 %) in frozen shrimps from Ecuador	crustaceans and products thereof	food
12. information for attention	23/07/2012	01/08/2012	2012.1040	GB	unauthorised irradiation (PSL irradiation) of instant soup from Israel	soups, broths, sauces and condiments	food
13. alert	25/07/2012	01/08/2012	2012.1059	GB	Clostridium botulinum in olives from Italy	fruits and vegetables	food
14. information for attention	25/07/2012	01/08/2012	2012.1058	CZ	migration of cadmium (0.26 mg/kg - ppm) and of lead (3.1 mg/kg - ppm) from rims of decorated glasses from China	food contact materials	FCM
15. information for attention	23/07/2012	01/08/2012	2012.1039	CZ	migration of cadmium (0.50-0.62 mg/item) and of lead (8.02-9.79 mg/item) from rims of decorated glasses from China	food contact materials	FCM
16. border rejection	26/07/2012	01/08/2012	2012.BNS	GB	poor temperature control - rupture of the cold chain - of chilled tuna (Thunnus albacares) from Sri Lanka	fish and fish products	food

RASFF Window – Exchange Information with Third Countries

- More than **60 countries** directly linked to RASFF Window, for more than 98% of notifications.
- These countries have designated a specific RASFF contact point that the Commission's RASFF team may use to exchange information in the context of a RASFF notification.
- Through the RASFF Window they can **share information concerning their country**.
- They can provide feedback to the notifications which can be transmitted as a follow-up notification.



RASFF Window – Overview of Notifications

RASFF Window									
Notifications List New Search									
Notifications list : 201 results									
Search criteria Category pesticide residues Origin country THAILAND (TH)									
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Classification	Date of case	Last change	Reference	Country	Subject	Product Category	Type		
1. border rejection	07/03/2012	07/03/2012	2012.AOV	DE	dimethoate (0.91 mg/kg - ppm) in water mimosa from Thailand	fruits and vegetables	food		
2. border rejection	28/10/2011	24/02/2012	2011.CFB	FR	chlorpyrifos-ethyl (0.71 mg/kg - ppm) in fresh basil from Thailand	herbs and spices	food		
3. border rejection	17/02/2012	23/02/2012	2012.ALN	DE	omethoate and dimethoate (sum: 1.039 mg/kg - ppm) in water mimosa from Thailand	fruits and vegetables	food		
4. border rejection	16/02/2012	23/02/2012	2012.ALM	DE	omethoate and dimethoate (sum: 1.9 mg/kg - ppm) in water mimosa from Thailand	fruits and vegetables	food		
5. border rejection	17/01/2012	18/01/2012	2012.ADY	FR	omethoate (0.16 mg/kg - ppm) and dimethoate (0.17 mg/kg - ppm) in aubergines from Thailand	fruits and vegetables	food		
6. border rejection	13/01/2012	13/01/2012	2012.ACU	NO	carbofuran (0.45 mg/kg - ppm) in beans with pods from Thailand	fruits and vegetables	food		
7. border rejection	06/01/2012	09/01/2012	2012.AAS	NL	carbofuran (0.057 mg/kg - ppm) and methomyl (0.42 mg/kg - ppm) in long yard beans from Thailand	fruits and vegetables	food		
8. border rejection	04/01/2012	04/01/2012	2012.AAG	NO	profenofos (2.2 mg/kg - ppm), acetamiprid (1.3 mg/kg - ppm) and imidacloprid (2.6 mg/kg - ppm) in young kale from Thailand	fruits and vegetables	food		
9. border rejection	31/10/2011	31/10/2011	2011.CFI	FI	methomyl (0.068 mg/kg - ppm), carbendazim (sum of benomyl and carbendazim: 2.1 mg/kg - ppm), omethoate and dimethoate (sum: 0.056 mg/kg - ppm) in fresh eggplant from Thailand	fruits and vegetables	food		
10. information	09/10/2009	28/10/2011	2009.1319	NL	carbendazim (12 mg/kg - ppm) in papaya from Thailand	fruits and vegetables	food		
11. border rejection	25/10/2011	25/10/2011	2011.CDW	GB	carbofuran (0.04 mg/kg - ppm) and methomyl (0.04 mg/kg - ppm) and unauthorised substance EPN (0.15 mg/kg - ppm) in yard long beans from Thailand	fruits and vegetables	food		
12. information	24/08/2009	14/09/2011	2009.1097	SE	carbendazim (14.8 mg/kg - ppm) in celery leaves from Thailand	fruits and vegetables	food		
13. border rejection	03/08/2011	04/08/2011	2011.BPB	FR	clothianidin (0.42 mg/kg - ppm) in coriander from Thailand	herbs and spices	food		
14. border rejection	06/07/2011	13/07/2011	2011.BKO	DK	carbofuran (0.21 mg/kg - ppm) in fresh coriander from Thailand	herbs and spices	food		
15. information	04/12/2009	07/07/2011	2009.1686	SE	triazophos (0.70 mg/kg - ppm) in fresh chilli peppers from Thailand	herbs and spices	food		
16. border rejection	18/11/2009	07/07/2011	2009.BZG	FI	formetanate (6.8 mg/kg - ppm) in chilli peppers from Thailand	herbs and spices	food		

RASFF online

http://ec.europa.eu/food/food/rapidalert/index_en.htm

- information regarding the system and its legal basis
- RASFF portal database
- Annual reports

