



EU BTOM WINS SECURED BY FPC WITH INCOMING GOV'T

Issue



EU Medium Risk Fruit & Veg SPS Easement End Date

Currently proposed for 31/1/25 (industry not able to prepare)

FPC Request of Defra
7 Aug 24



Align to 1 July 2025

Govt response to FPC
29 Aug 24



Defra is currently Planning for easement to end 1 July 2025

Annex 11 Review of Plant Health Risk Categorisation

Finalised Medium Risk A & B, Low categorisation not published

Communicate urgently
Adopt controls from 1 July 2025

Defra is looking to adopt SPS controls from 1 July 2025

AOS

Authorised Operator Scheme

Small pilot underway but no guarantee of adoption

Adopt AOS and approve pilot companies to inspect from 1 July 2025

Recommendation to Ministers is anticipated in the first half of 2025.

New govt are listening to FPC's solutions to mitigate the £200 million on-costs to industry and consumers as a result of historical governments position.

All of the above are subject to Govt approval and Ministerial sign off

Links to Key Lobbying Documents

[Letter to Ministers 7 July 2024](#)

[FPC List of Annex 11 Review Changes](#)

[Ministerial Response to FPC Letter 29 Aug 24](#)

[Defra Plant Health Portal AOS details](#)

[Current BTOM Plant Health Risk Categories](#)