

Lists of Member States where wood treated with creosote may be placed on the market for certain uses in accordance with Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/1950

Document history

Version	Comment	Publication date
1	First version	11 January 2023
2	Removal of Norway from list 2 Corrigendum of 13 February 2024 concerning removal date for Norway	11 October 2023

Explanatory Note

This document contains the lists of Member States (or EEA States or Switzerland) where the placing on the market of wood treated with creosote is possible for the concerned use in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 and Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/1950 renewing the approval of creosote for use in biocidal products of product-type 8 (wood preservatives). The Commission Implementing Regulation contains the following conditions:

"1) By 31 January 2023, the Agency shall make publicly available on its website, based on the requests made by Member States:

a) a list of Member States where railway sleepers treated with creosote may be placed on the market;

b) a list of Member States where utility poles for electricity and telecommunications treated with creosote may be placed on the market.

2) As from 30 April 2023, only railway sleepers, or utility poles for electricity or telecommunications treated with creosote may be placed on the market in Member States included in the respective list referred to in this paragraph, point (1). A Member State may ask the Agency to be removed from the respective list at any time. When the Agency removes a Member State from either of the lists, the date of removal shall be indicated, and treated articles for the concerned use shall no longer be placed on the market of that Member State 180 days after the date of removal."

"Yes" in the lists below indicates that wood treated with creosote may be placed on the market of the Member State (or EEA States or Switzerland) for the concerned use.

When a Member State (or EEA State or Switzerland) requests the European Chemicals Agency to be removed from either of the lists, the entry is changed to "No ([date])" and, consequently, the placing on the market is no longer allowed 180 days after the date indicated in the table. The date indicated in the table corresponds to the date of removal by ECHA from the lists and publication date of the updated lists.

Note: When a Member State (or EEA States or Switzerland) is not listed in the first version of the following lists, the placing on the market of treated wood in its territory for the use concerned is no longer possible as of 30 April 2023.

**List 1 - Railway sleepers treated with creosote
(wood treatment use class 3 according to EN Standard 335)**

Country	May be placed on the market after 30 April 2023 unless date of removal from the list is indicated
Austria	Yes
Bulgaria	Yes
Belgium	Yes
Croatia	Yes
Czech Republic	Yes
Germany	Yes
Denmark	Yes
Spain	Yes
Estonia	Yes
Finland	Yes
France	Yes
Hungary	Yes
Ireland	Yes
Italy	Yes
Latvia	Yes
Lithuania	Yes
Luxembourg	Yes
Poland	Yes
Portugal	Yes
Romania	Yes
Sweden	Yes
Slovakia	Yes
Slovenia	Yes
Other Country	
Northern Ireland	Yes
Switzerland	Yes

**List 2 - Utility poles for electricity or telecommunications treated with creosote
(use class 4)**

Country	May be placed on the market after 30 April 2023 unless date of removal from the list is indicated
Austria	Yes
Bulgaria	Yes
Cyprus	Yes
Czech Republic	Yes
Greece	Yes
Spain	Yes
Estonia	Yes
Finland	Yes
Hungary	Yes
Ireland	Yes
Italy	Yes
Poland	Yes
Sweden	Yes
Other Country	
Norway	No (11 October 2023)
Northern Ireland	Yes