

EU's new glyphosate restrictions enforced differently throughout Europe

Glyphosate use in parks and public spaces in the UK is likely to be little affected by a recent EU agreement to restrict its use.

On 30 June the European Commission extended the approval for the popular weedkiller until the European Chemicals Agency issues its opinion on whether the chemical is hazardous. The extended approval will last until the end of 2017, at the latest.

Following the extension, EU member state experts voted on 11 July to strengthen restrictions on use of the weedkiller, including a ban on the toxic co-formulant polyethoxylated (POE) tallowamine being used in [glyphosate](#)-based products. The new version of the regulations was [published in the Official Journal of the European Union on 2 August](#) and comes into force on 22 August.

Apart from the POE-tallowamine ban, the recommendations merely amount to a reminder to follow the rules in the [EU's Sustainable Use Directive](#).

Each country has the freedom to decide how to apply the new regulations. Malta has since said it will ban glyphosate, while France announced in June that it was pulling 132 products containing POE-tallowamine from the market.

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