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The Commission presented a proposal to amend the EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR)¹ in order to reduce the load on the EUDR Information System and ease the administrative burden for economic operators, while maintaining the Regulation's environmental integrity. In December 2025, the co-legislators agreed on the revised EUDR² and the revised text has now entered into force. The new date of entry into application will be 30 December 2026 for all companies except for most micro- or small operators, for which it will be 30 June 2027. For micro- or small operators already covered by the EU Timber Regulation³, the entry into application will be 30 December 2026.

The amendments to the EUDR also limit the obligation to submit due diligence statements to the first operator placing the relevant products on the market. Downstream operators, such as retreading industry or craft businesses, will no longer need to submit due diligence statements, nor to pass on the reference numbers further in the supply chain.

The agreed text also includes a differentiated approach for low-risk countries. It notably exempts from the obligation to submit a due diligence statement 'micro and small primary operators' from a low-risk country that sell their goods directly on the EU market. A large majority of farmers, cattle ranchers and foresters within the EU will be captured by this definition and hence benefit from the simplifications.

¹ Regulation (EU) 2023/1115 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 May 2023 on the making available on the Union market and the export from the Union of certain commodities and products associated with deforestation and forest degradation and repealing Regulation (EU) No 995/2010, OJ L 150, 9.6.2023, p. 206–247.

² Regulation (EU) 2025/2650 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 December 2025 amending Regulation (EU) 2023/1115 as regards certain obligations of operators and traders, OJ L, 2025/2650, 23.12.2025.

³ Regulation (EU) No 995/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 October 2010 laying down the obligations of operators who place timber and timber products on the market, OJ L 295, 12.11.2010, pp. 23–34.