

**Question for written answer E-002055/2023  
to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
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Subject: Uranium content of phosphate fertilisers and labelling requirements

Phosphate fertilisers can contain a certain amount of uranium, which can accumulate in the environment as a heavy metal and have adverse effects on humans.

The revised EU Fertilisers Regulation requires the Commission to submit a report to Parliament and the Council by 26 July 2026, including an assessment of the risks (toxicity and carcinogenicity) surrounding the contamination of fertilisers with uranium.

With regard to the uranium content of phosphate fertilisers, the German Environment Agency recommends a limit of 50 mg of uranium per kg of phosphate and labelling from 20 mg of uranium per kg of phosphate.<sup>1</sup>

1. Are there plans for an EU-wide labelling requirement, and if so, what do those plans look like?
2. Are there plans to set limit values, and if so, what are they?
3. What other steps is the Commission planning to take in this regard?

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.umweltbundesamt.de/en/topics/agriculture/ecological-impact-of-farming/fertilizer>