

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

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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 31st January 2023, the Agency shall establish and make publicly available on its website, based on the requests made by Member States, the lists of:

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

b) 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 for use in Member States included in the respective lists. A Member State may ask the Agency to be removed from the respective lists at any time. When the Agency removes a Member State from either of the lists, the date of removal shall be indicated, and treated wood 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 tables 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 (date of update of the lists).

Note: When a Member State (or EEA States or Switzerland) is not listed in the first version of the following tables, 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 Date of removal from the list will be indicated in future updates
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 Date of removal from the list will be indicated in future updates
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 (30 April 2023)
Northern Ireland	Yes