



IMPLEMENTATION OF SUD IN GREECE

Coordinating National Authority

SUSTAINABLE USE OF PPPS

The present document describes the administrative measures that are taken for the implementation of the directive 2009/128/EC (Sustainable Use Directive)

Ministry of the Reconstruction of Production, Energy and Environment

General Directorate of Sustainable Plant Protection,
Plant Protection Directorate, Plant protection products
and biocides department

Sustainable use of ppps in Greece

The directive 2009/128/EC was transposed to Greek legislation with **law 4036/2012 (OJ A 8)** as modified by law 4235/2014 (OJ A32) and especially with the articles 15-31. The provisions of the articles 32-46 of law 4036/2012 describe the national implementation measures related to the sustainable use of the plant protection products, among which the procedure and the content of the National Action Plan. A consolidated English version of the law 4036/2012, as it is in force is freely available in internet (<http://www.minagric.gr/index.php/en/farmer-menu-2/plantprotection-menu/control-distr-useplantprotprod-menu>).

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National legislation regarding plant protection products

- [Law 4036/2012 – Unofficial translation](#)
- [List of national legislation regarding official controls on marketing and use of plant protection products in Greece \(Version: 10.10.2014\)](#)

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Secondary legislation regarding controls on plant protection products

- [Inspection requirements for the production, storage or movement of not authorized in Greece plant protection products intended for use in another Member State or in a third country](#)
- [Inspection procedure of farmers-users of plant protection products](#)

The National Action Plan for the sustainable use of plant protection products was issued with the **Common Ministerial Decision num. 8197/90920/22-7-2013 (OJ B 1883)**. An English translation of the whole Common Ministerial Decision is freely available in internet (the above mentioned internet site).

A **list of all secondary legislation related to sustainable use** of plant protection products in Greece is also available in English (in the above mentioned internet site: "[List of national legislation regarding official controls on marketing and use of plant protection products in Greece](#)") and the whole text of each of the secondary national legislation measures is available in Greek language in the Ministry's official website (<http://www.minagric.gr/index.php/el/for-farmer-2/crop-production/fytoprostasiamentu/elenxoifitoprostateytikonmenu>)

Directive 2009/128/EK –

Correlation table with implementation measures in Greece:

| Articles of the directive 2009/128/EC | National measures |
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| Article 1: Subject matter | Article 15 of law 4036/2012 . |
| Article 2: Scope | Article 16 of law 4036/2012 . |
| Article 3: Definitions | Article 17 of law 4036/2012 |
| Article 4: National Action Plans | Articles 18 & 32 of law 4036/2012 . Common Ministerial Decision num. 8197/90920/22-7-2013 (OJ B 1883) Secondary legislation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ministerial Decision num 257/45918/ 12-4-2012: “Committee for preparing the proposal for the National Action Plan for the sustainable use of pesticides” ▪ Ministerial Decision num 428/87055/ 17-8-2012: “Designation of Committee members of the Num. 257/45918/ 12-4-2012 Ministerial Decision (OJ B’1414)” |
| Article 5, par. 1: Training (training system) | Articles 19 & 33 of law 4036/2012 . Articles 2-9 of the Common Ministerial Decision num. 8197/90920/22-7-2013 (OJ B 1883) Secondary Legislation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Document num 521/7086/21-1-2015: “Proposed training program for training courses of sustainable use of plant protection products aimed to professional users and proposed training material”. ▪ Internet site http://www.minagric.gr/index.php/el/for-farmer-2/crop-production/fytoprostasiamenu/elenzoifitoprostateytikonmenu/525-ethniko-sxe-drashs/1590-sxedio-drashs-gevgikon-farmakon where can be found the bodies providing training on sustainable use of plant protection products |
| Article 5, par. 2: Training (Certification system) | Articles 19 & 33 of law 4036/2012 . Articles 10-15 of the Common Ministerial Decision num. 8197/90920/22-7-2013 (OJ B 1883) Secondary Legislation: |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Common Ministerial Decision num 13631/159106/20-12-2013: <i>“Establishment of fees for the participation in tests for obtaining the certificate of knowledge on sustainable use of pesticides and operation start announcement of bodies for initial training for pesticide sales”</i>. ▪ Circular num 208/2687/9-1-2014: <i>“Granting the certificate of knowledge on sustainable use of pesticides”</i> ▪ Common Ministerial Decision num 2/34/2-1-2015: <i>“Modification of num. 13631/159106/20-12-2013 Common Ministerial Decision”</i>. ▪ Ministerial Decision 8040/88923/ 17-7-2013: <i>“Procedures for initial and additional training of pesticide distributors and their certificate recall”</i> ▪ Internet site http://www.minagric.gr/index.php/el/for-farmer-2/crop-production/fytoprostasiamenu/elenxoifitoprostateytikonmenu/525-ethniko-sxe-drashs/1590-sxedio-drashs-gevgikon-farmakon where can be found the bodies providing certification on sustainable use of plant protection products. ▪ Internet site: http://ppp-usercert.minagric.gr/ where can be found demo e-certification procedure |
| <p>Article 6: Requirements for sales of pesticides</p> | <p>Articles 20 & 35 of law 4036/2012.</p> <p>Also, articles 36 & 46 of law 4036/2012, describing the procedure of electronic register of retail sales and the respective sanctions in case of infringements.</p> <p>Ministerial decision num 2519/28169/5-3-2013 (OJ B 649), Defining the body for making, keeping update and operating the electronic register of Special Pesticide Sales Forms and every relative matter, which will be used for restricting sales</p> <p>Secondary Legislation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Circular 7915/87546/ 12-7-2013: <i>“Employment of trained personnel in pesticide sales”</i>. ▪ Presidential Decree num 159/2013 : <i>“Establishing the specifications and procedures for the pesticide sales operation start announcement and functioning pesticide sales shops”</i>. ▪ Circular 4016/41125/28-3-2014: <i>“Procedure for the pesticide sales operation start announcement and functioning pesticide sales shops”</i>. ▪ Circular 6876/72454/3-6-2014: <i>“Procedures of official controls on pesticide sales”</i>. |
| <p>Article 7 : Information and awareness-raising</p> | <p>Articles 21 & 37 of law 4036/2012.</p> <p>Articles 16-22 of the Common Ministerial Decision num. 8197/90920/22-7-2013 (OJ B 1883)</p> <p>Secondary Legislation:</p> |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Circular 10608/121856/8-10-2013: “Establishment of form for informing persons who could be exposed to the spray drift”. ▪ Circular 2967/33905/13-3-2014: “Information to public for pesticides and management of cases of poisoned baits with plant protection products”. ▪ Circular 5919/62354/13-5-2014: “Best Working Practices for Pesticide Use”. |
| Article 8: Inspection of equipment in use | <p>Articles 22 & 38 of law 4036/2012.</p> <p>Articles 23-24 of the Common Ministerial Decision num. 8197/90920/22-7-2013 (OJ B 1883)</p> |
| Article 9: Aerial spraying | Articles 23 & 39 of law 4036/2012 |
| Article 10: Information to the public | <p>Article 24 of law 4036/2012.</p> <p>Article 22 of the Common Ministerial Decision num. 8197/90920/22-7-2013 (OJ B 1883)</p> <p>Secondary Legislation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Circular 10608/121856/8-10-2013: “Establishment of form for informing persons who could be exposed to the spray drift”. ▪ Circular 2967/33905/13-3-2014: “Information to public for pesticides and management of cases of poisoned baits with plant protection products”. ▪ Circular 5919/62354/13-5-2014: “Best Working Practices for Pesticide Use”. |
| Article 11: Specific measures to protect the aquatic environment and drinking water | <p>Articles 25 & 40 of law 4036/2012.</p> <p>Article 25 of the Common Ministerial Decision num. 8197/90920/22-7-2013 (OJ B 1883)</p> <p>Secondary Legislation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Circular 5919/62354/13-5-2014: “Best Working Practices for Pesticide Use”. ▪ Ministerial Decision 9497/104760/20-8-2014: “Prescription for the use of pesticides”. |
| Article 12: Reduction of pesticide use or risks in specific areas | <p>Articles 26 & 41 of law 4036/2012.</p> <p>Article 26 of the Common Ministerial Decision num. 8197/90920/22-7-2013 (OJ B 1883)</p> <p>Secondary Legislation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Circular 5919/62354/13-5-2014: “Best Working Practices for Pesticide Use”. ▪ Ministerial Decision 9497/104760/20-8-2014: “Prescription for the use of pesticides”. |
| Article 13: | Articles 27 & 42 of law 4036/2012 . |

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| <p>Handling and storage of pesticides and treatment of their packaging and remnants</p> | <p>Articles 27-29 of the Common Ministerial Decision num. 8197/90920/22-7-2013 (OJ B 1883)</p> <p>Secondary Legislation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Circular 5919/62354/13-5-2014: “Best Working Practices for Pesticide Use”. ▪ Ministerial Decision 9497/104760/20-8-2014: “Prescription for the use of pesticides”. ▪ Document 10373/103613/8-10-2012: “Guidelines for management procedures on handling of packaging and remnants of pesticides and disposal of tank mixtures remaining after application”. |
| <p>Article 14: Integrated pest management</p> | <p>Articles 28 & 43 of law 4036/2012.</p> <p>Articles 30-31 of the Common Ministerial Decision num. 8197/90920/22-7-2013 (OJ B 1883)</p> <p>Secondary Legislation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ministerial Decision 4012/45395/ 11-4-2012: “Program for establishing Integrated Pest Management Standards in crops”. |
| <p>Article 15: Indicators</p> | <p>Article 29 of law 4036/2012.</p> <p>Articles 32-33 of the Common Ministerial Decision num. 8197/90920/22-7-2013 (OJ B 1883)</p> |
| <p>Article 17: Penalties</p> | <p>Article 30 of law 4036/2012.</p> <p>Articles 44-46 of the Common Ministerial Decision num. 8197/90920/22-7-2013 (OJ B 1883)</p> <p>Secondary Legislation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ministerial Decision 1320/17878/ 7-2-2014: “Official controls program on plant protection products for the year 2014”. ▪ Ministerial Decision 6873/72437/ 3-6-2014: “Modification of official controls program on plant protection products for the year 2014”. ▪ Ministerial Decision 528/7139/21-1-2015: “Official controls program on plant protection products for the year 2015”. ▪ Ministerial Decision 184/60871/9-5-2014: “Designation of Committee members for appeals against decisions imposing fines according to par. 1, article 49a of law 4036/2012 (Official Gazette A’8), as amended by par. 8, article 44 of law 4235/2014 (Official Gazette A’32)”. ▪ Ministerial Decision: 11753/132494/20-10-2014: Determination of factors for administrative sanctions fines criteria of law 4036/2012 (Official Gazette A’8)”. ▪ Ministerial Decision 377/135111/24-10-2014: : Modification of num. 184/60871/9-05-2014 Ministerial Decision “ Designation of Committee members for appeals against decisions imposing fines according to par. 1, article 49a of law 4036/2012 (Official Gazette A’8), as amended by par. 8, article 44 of law 4235/2014 (Official |

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| | <p>Gazette A'32)”. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Document 10371/103604/8-10-2012: “Guidelines for the control of professional users of plant protection products”. ▪ Circular 6876/72454/3-6-2014: “Procedures of official controls on pesticide sales”. </p> |
| <p>Article 19: Fees and charges</p> | <p>Article 31 of law 4036/2012. Secondary Legislation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Common Ministerial Decision 10775/120593/26-9-2014: “Settings for fees of article 6, Law 4036/2012 (Official Gazette A'8)” </p> |