



CREOSOTE

Summary Regulatory Situation Europe

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- **Status Mutual Recognition across Europe**
- Use of Creosote for Tree Stakes
- Status Specific Member States
- Free movement of treated articles within EU
- Export outside EU
- Renewal of authorization (Active Substance)



Status Approvals

	WEI Congress March 2017	WEI Congress September 2017
Official decisions	8	17

- Draft decisions received from several MS
- No information from several MS



Status Approvals

Official Decisions (4 September 2017)

	Status	sleepers	poles	stakes h/c	stakes full	equestrian Fencing	highway fencing	marine	bridges
Austria	official			wine and fruit growing					
Bosnia-Hercegovina	official								
Bulgaria	official								
Croatia	official								
Finland	official			Export only					
Germany	official								
Greece	official								
Hungary	official								
Ireland	official								
Latvia	official								
Netherlands	official								
Norway	official								
Poland	official								
Spain	official								
Slovenia	official								
Sweden	official								
Switzerland	official								

	approved
	not yet approved (requires application for change)
	not approved

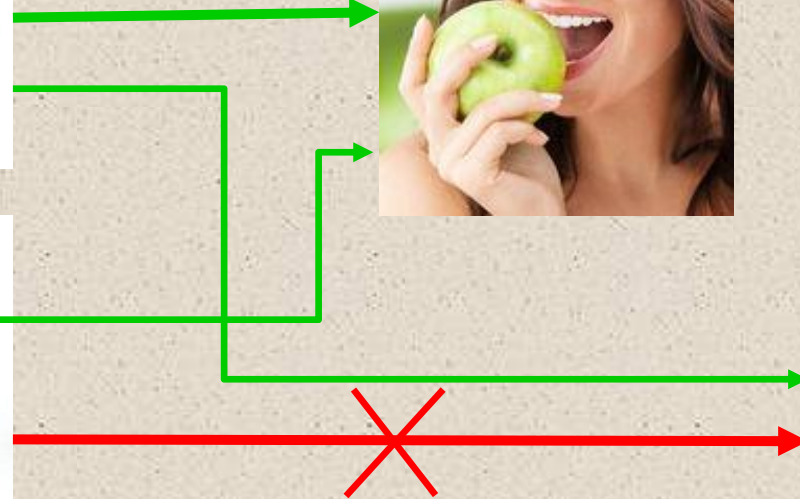


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Fruit Stakes

Conclusion



- In the scenario where **fruits are grown in direct contact with stakes** the exposure for toddlers is not acceptable.



Fruit Stakes

The outcome of this unrealistic worst case scenario withholds some member states from approving the use of creosote for tree stakes

CCE objectives:

- Improve the unrealistic worst case scenario to a more realistic worst case scenario.
- Protect both fully treated stakes and bottom treated stakes



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Free movement of treated articles

Relates to treated wood for use within the EU

	sleepers	poles	stakes h/c	stakes full	equestrian Fencing	highway fencing
Sweden						
Finland	Export only					
	approved					
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- Impregnation of wood for equestrian fencing in Sweden is restricted.
- Wood impregnated in Finland (treated article) can be imported and used for equestrian fencing in Sweden.



Free movement of treated articles

- Addressed to several Member States
- Awareness Member States
- Limited Action
- Biocides Coordination Group



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Export outside the EU

Treatment of wood for export outside of the EU

- No BPR authorisation of a wood preservative
- CA-Sep15-Doc.7.6-Final-Placing on the market (p17, 11)
- REACH Annex XVII applies

Even if there is no Biocidal Product Approval in a member state the wood can be treated for export



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Renewal of authorization (Active Substance)

- Joint submission CCE
- Evaluating Competent Authority: UK HSE
- Expiry date AS approval 30 April 2018

- UK HSE is evaluating the submission

Authorization process includes

- **Public Consultation!**
- **Member State voting**



Downstream and End User input

Impact and Influence of Downstream Users and End Users on creosote authorization process cannot be underestimated!

It is crucial in a successful authorization process.

- Outcome of 2008 stakeholder consultation resulted in Active Substance Authorization
- Biocidal Product Approvals (2016/2017)

Sweden	Finland
Swedish Transport Administration	Finnish Transport Agency
Skanova (telecom network operator)	Finnish Energy (energy sector branche organisation)
Vattenfall AB (electricity grid)	Fingrid Oyj (high voltage grid)
	Centre for Economic Development, Transport and the Environment (bridges)



Thank you for your attention

Questions?