

EUDR: SETTING THE COURSE FOR 2027

As of **30 December 2026**, the new requirements of the EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) will apply to large companies. To help you prepare, we have summarized the most important information, responsibilities, and useful resources.

WHICH COMMODITY GROUPS ARE COVERED BY THE EUDR?

The regulation applies to selected commodities and products derived from them. The overview below highlights the main product groups that will be subject to enhanced due diligence requirements.

Commodity Group	Typical Relevant Products / Notes
Cattle	Meat, certain hides/skins and products derived from them, where listed in Annex I
Cocoa	Cocoa beans, cocoa mass, cocoa powder, chocolate and certain derived products
Coffee	Coffee, coffee products and, where applicable, other listed derivatives
Oil Palm	Palm oil and certain products derived from palm oil
Rubber	Natural rubber and specific rubber products
Soy	Soybeans, soybean meal, soybean oil and other listed products
Wood	Timber, wood products, paper products and certain packaging materials, where listed

WHAT SHOULD YOU DO NOW?

Review at an early stage whether your products or raw materials fall within the scope of the EUDR and ensure that the information required for submitting a Due Diligence Statement is available.

For practical implementation, we recommend using the checklists and guidance documents provided by the Chambers of Commerce and Industry (IHK).

Further information and checklists can be found here:
Link: Welche Unternehmen sind von der Entwaldungsverordnung betroffen? - IHK Region Stuttgart

OUR ROLE AS YOUR LOGISTICS PARTNER

Responsibility for compliance with the EUDR rests with the respective **operator or first placer on the market**.

As a freight forwarder and logistics provider, we are **not considered a market participant under the regulation** and therefore do not submit Due Diligence Statements ourselves. However, we support the operational execution of your shipments and incorporate the EUDR-related information you provide into our transport processes.



WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR CUSTOMS CLEARANCE?

Customs authorities support the implementation of the EUDR and review declarations submitted during customs clearance for completeness and plausibility.

To submit Due Diligence Statements and manage the corresponding reference numbers, registration in the **EUDR Information System (TRACES)** is required.

Information on registration and use of the system can be found here:
Link: EUDR-Informationssystem (TRACES) - IHK Nord Westfalen

Should any questions arise regarding the information submitted, clarification will be sought with the parties involved. Where necessary, the **Federal Office for Agriculture and Food (BLE)**, as the competent authority, may be consulted.

OUR CONCLUSION

Good preparation is key. Companies should use the remaining time to align their processes, responsibilities and documentation with EUDR requirements and ensure compliance before the regulation becomes applicable.

Further information, checklists and implementation guidance are available on the websites of the IHK and the BLE. You can also subscribe to their newsletters and information services to stay informed about important developments and regulatory updates.

Useful Links

Link: BLE - Aktuelles

Link: Entwaldungsfreie-Produkte-Newsletter Nr. 38: Web-Seminar und neue Dokumente

Link: EUDR-Betroffenenanalyse: Guideline für Unternehmen - IHK Nord Westfalen



GET IN TOUCH!

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