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1. UPDATED LIST OF LEGISLATION IMPLEMENTING THE DIRECTIVE 2009/128/EC

Ref.	Legislation	Comments	Link to webpage (when appropriate)
Fed.1	Decree of 04/09/2012	General Framework for Pesticides Reduction Plan and the sustainable use of pesticides	http://fytoweb.be/sites/default/files/legislation/attachements/mb - bs 19-09-2012.pdf
Fed.2	Royal Decree of 19/03/2013	General Framework for the sustainable use of plant protection products and additives General framework for the transposition of SUD for the federal competences	https://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/cgi_loi/article.pl?language=fr&numac_search=2013024124#LNK0004
Fed.3	Law of 21/12/1998	Promotion of sustainable production and consumption patterns and protection of environment, health and workers	http://fytoweb.be/sites/default/files/legislation/attachements/mb - bs 11-02-99.pdf
Fed.4	Law of 05/08/2006	General Framework for public access to environmental information	http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/cgi/article_body.pl?language=fr&caller=summary&pub_date=06-08-28&numac=2006022669
Fed.5	Law of 05/12/1968	On collective labour agreements and Joint Committees	http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/cgi/article_body.pl?language=fr&caller=summary&pub_date=09-05-22&numac=2009000346

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Fed.6	Law of 04/08/1996	Concerning the welfare of workers at work	http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/cgi_loi/change_lg.pl?language=fr&la=F&cn=1996080400&table_name=loi
Fed.7	Ministerial order 15/05/2007	Requirements for aggregation of specifically licensed users	http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/cgi/article_body.pl?language=fr&caller=summary&pub_date=07-06-20&numac=2007022896
Fed.8	Royal Decree of 14/01/1992	Fumigation Control	http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/cgi_loi/loi_a1.pl?language=fr&la=F&cn=1992011430&table_name=loi&&caller=list&fromtab=loi&tri=d+AS+RANK
Fed.9	Royal Decree of 13/03/2011	Inspection of pesticide application equipment	http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/cgi/article_body.pl?language=fr&caller=summary&pub_date=11-04-05&numac=2011018116
Fed.10	Ministerial Order of 26/04/2011	Recognized bodies for the inspection of pesticide application equipment	http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/cgi/article_body.pl?language=fr&caller=summary&pub_date=11-04-29&numac=2011018160
Fed.11	Royal Decree of 28/02/1994	Preservation, launch on the market and use of pesticides for agricultural uses	http://fytowebe.be/sites/default/files/legislation/attachments/koninklijk_besluit_28_februari_1994.pdf
Fed.12	Law of 09/12/2004	FASFC Financing	http://fytowebe.be/sites/default/files/legislation/attachments/koninklijk_besluit_10_november_2005.pdf
Fed.13	Royal Decree of 22/02/2001	Inspection by FASFC	http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/cgi/article_body.pl?language=fr&caller=summary&pub_date=01-02-28&numac=2001022136
Fed.14	Royal Decree of 15/12/2013	Programme 2013-2017 of the Federal Reduction Plan for Pesticides	http://fytowebe.be/sites/default/files/legislation/attachments/ar_-_kb_15-dec-2013.pdf
Fed.15	Royal Decree of 27 February 2019	Changes in General Framework for the sustainable use of plant protection products and additives	https://fytowebe.be/sites/default/files/legislation/attachments/kb_20190405.pdf
Fed.16	Royal Decree of 3 June 2025	Introducing a definition of inspected spraying equipment and, as of 1 January 2026, requiring a minimum drift reduction of 75% when such products are used professionally.	https://fytowebe.be/sites/default/files/legislation/attachments/01_1%20%284%29-pages.pdf

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Fed.17	Ministerial Order of 1 April 2021	Establishes the officially recognised drift-reducing measures and equipment under Article 9, 4° of the Royal Decree of 19 March 2013,	https://fytoweb.be/sites/default/files/legislation/attachements/ar-mb_20210401.pdf
Fed.18	Ministerial Order of 2 February 2024	Updates and revises list of Ministerial Order of 1 April 2021 by adding, removing or adapting specific drift-reducing nozzles, techniques or devices.	https://fytoweb.be/sites/default/files/legislation/attachements/mb_20240201.pdf
Fed.19	Ministerial Order of 8 May 2024	Updates and revises list of Ministerial Order of 1 April 2021 by adding, removing or adapting specific drift-reducing nozzles, techniques or devices.	8 MAI 2024. - Arrêté ministériel modifiant l'arrêté ministériel du 1er avril 2021 fixant les mesures ou moyens de réduction de la dérive
Fed.20	Ministerial Order of 8 August 2025	Updates and revises list of Ministerial Order of 1 April 2021 by adding, removing or adapting specific drift-reducing nozzles, techniques or devices.	https://fytoweb.be/sites/default/files/legislation/attachements/MB-20250808.pdf
Wal.1	Decree of the 10 th July 2013	General framework for the transposition of SUD for the Walloon competences	2
Wal.2	Walloon Government Order of the 11 th July 2013	General framework for the application of the transposition of SUD for Walloon competences	5
Wal.3	Walloon Government orders of the 13 th June 2013	Storage conditions for PPP used by professionals	1
Wal.4	Walloon Ministerial order of the 24 th Mai 2016	Training programmes for the certification of adequate knowledge (called "Phytoliceance")	9367 - WALLEX
Wal.5	WGO 24/03/2011	Natura2000	4
Wal.6	Decree of 15 th of July 2008	Forest Code	Aperçu - 4
Wal.7	WGO 10/11/2016 (IPM) + Ministerial Order (IPM)	General principles of IPM (WGO) and specific guidelines for agriculture and horticulture (ministerial order)	1 / 76422 - WALLEX
Wal.8	WGO 28/04/2016	Training programmes for the certification of adequate knowledge (called "Phytoliceance")	5376 - WALLEX
Wal.9	Decree of the 8 th of May 2008	Water Code	Code de l'Eau coordonné D 01012020
Fla.1	Flemish Decree of 8 February 2013 concerning the sustainable use of pesticides in the Flemish Region	General framework for the application of the transposition of SUD for the non-agricultural use of pesticides	https://www.zonderisgezonder.be/archief/wetgeving/decreten-en-besluiten

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Fla.2	Order of the Flemish Government of 15 March 2013 concerning additional rules for sustainable use of pesticides in the Flemish Region for non-agricultural and horticulture and for the drawing up of the Flemish Action Plan on the sustainable use of pesticides.	General framework for the application of the transposition of SUD for the non-agricultural use of pesticides. Further specification of the framework created by the Decree of February 8th 2013.	https://www.zonderisgezonder.be/archief/wetgeving/decreten-en-besluiten
Fla.3	Flemish Decree of 28 June 2013 concerning the agricultural and fishery policy, B.S., 12-09-2013.	Provides the legal base for several aspects of these policies; use of pesticides is only a part of these (see in particular the articles 4, 1°, 2°, a); 28 and 45).	B.S. 12/09/2013 https://codex.vlaanderen.be/Zoeken/Document.aspx?DIID=1023233&param=inhoud&ref=search&AVIDS=
Fla.4	Order of the Flemish Government of 5 December 2014 concerning the application of integrated pest management by professional users of plant protection products.	Lays down the rules that govern the obligation for the application of integrated pest management by professional users of plant protection products in agriculture.	B.S. 13/01/2015 https://codex.vlaanderen.be/Zoeken/Document.aspx?DIID=1024857&param=inhoud&ref=search&AVIDS=
Fla 5	Government of Flanders Order of 21 April 2023 to grant subsidies for operational groups within the framework of the European Innovation Partnership for productivity and sustainability in agriculture	An operational group brings together diverse actors, including farmers, researchers, advisors, and businesses, to co-create practical, innovative solutions for challenges in agriculture. Yearly call.	https://codex.vlaanderen.be/Zoeken/Document.aspx?DIID=1038295&AID=1320644&param=inhoud
Fla.6	Government of Flanders Order of 21 April 2023 to grant subsidies for awareness-raising campaigns to promote sustainable agriculture	Demonstration projects focus on demonstrating and scaling proven, sustainable and innovative solutions. Yearly call.	https://codex.vlaanderen.be/PrintDocument.ashx?id=1038294&datum=&geannoteed=false&print=false
Fla.7	Government of Flanders Order of 6 October 2023 to grant subsidies for the exchange of knowledge and dissemination of information in the agricultural sector	Training organisations are granted for giving training programmes for the certification of adequate knowledge (called “Phytoliceance”). A subsidy is also granted to organise and implement forecasting, early diagnosis and warning services for pests and diseases (call in 2024)	https://codex.vlaanderen.be/PrintDocument.ashx?id=1038876&datum=&geannoteed=false&print=false
Fla.8	Ministerial Order of 31 October 2023 implementing the decision of the Flemish Government of 6 October 2023 to grant subsidies for the exchange of knowledge and dissemination of information in the agricultural sector	Implementation of Fla. 7	https://codex.vlaanderen.be/PrintDocument.ashx?id=1038977&datum=&geannoteed=false
Fla.9	Flemish Decree of 18 July 2003 on Integral Water policy (modified by the Decree of 19 July 2013).		https://codex.vlaanderen.be/PrintDocument.ashx?id=1011715&datum=&geannoteed=false&print=false

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Fla.10	The Order of the Flemish Government of 15 March 2013 amending the Order of 27 March 1985 on the reglementation of actions within drinking water catchment zones and protection areas and the Order of 27 March 1985 on the reglementation of actions that can pollute the groundwater, for what the use of pesticides is concerned.		http://www.zonderisgezond.be/archief/wetgeving/decreten-en-besluiten/1-decreet-duurzaam-gebruik-pesticiden-en-de-bijhorende-besluiten/besluit-grondwaterbescherming
Fla.12	Ministerial Order of 13 February 2003 determining the terms of reference and the fieldbook concerning the integrated production of pome fruits.		
Fla.13	The Flemish Decree of 13 June 1990 on Forests.		https://codex.vlaanderen.be/PrintDocument.ashx?id=1003183&datum=&geannoteed=false&print=false
Fla.14	The Decree of 21 October 1997 concerning Nature Conservation and the natural environment		https://codex.vlaanderen.be/PrintDocument.ashx?id=1005915&datum=&geannoteed=false&print=false
Fla.15	Order of the Flemish Government of 19 September 2014 on the granting of subsidies for management contracts in application of Regulation (EU) nr. 1305/2013 on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005.		
Fla.16	Order of the Flemish Government of 1 June 1995 concerning General and Sectoral provisions relating to Environmental Safety	Chapter 5.5 in particular.	https://codex.vlaanderen.be/PrintDocument.ashx?id=1003794&datum=&geannoteed=false&print=false
Fla.17	Interregional Cooperation Agreement of 30 May 1996 concerning the prevention and managing of packaging waste		
Fla.18	Order of the Flemish Government of 12 December 2008 concerning the biological production and labeling of biologic products, BS 20/02/2009		
Fla.19	Order of the Flemish Government of 24 October 2014 laying down the provisions for direct payments to farmers under support schemes within the framework of the common agricultural policy, B.S., 08/12/2014.		

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Fla.20	Ministerial decree about the launch of a call for project in 2024 for an warning and forecasting service	The warning systems, forecasting systems and early diagnosis systems of the practice centers are accredited and funded by the Flemish region	Vlaamse Codex > Zoeken > Document
Fla.21	Order of the Flemish government of the 12th of February 2021 on subsidising practice centers active in research, extension and de development of plant production Government of Flanders Order of 12th of February 2021 on subsidising practice centers active in research, extension and de development of plant production	The practice centers themselves that promote IPM and do extension work are funded and accredited by the Flemish region	Vlaamse Codex > Zoeken > Document
Bru.1	Ordinance of the Brussels Capital Region of 20 June 2013.	Ordinance on pesticide management compatible with sustainable development in the Brussels Capital Region. General framework for the transposition of SUD for the competences of the Brussels Capital Region.	http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/eli/ordonnance/2013/06/20/2013031469/moniteur
Bru.2	Order of the Government of the Brussels Capital Region of 16 July 2015.	Storage and handling conditions for plant protection products and the management of their waste by professional users.	http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/cgi/article_body.pl?language=fr&pub_date=2015-08-10&numac=2015031494&caller=list
Bru.3	Order of the Government of the Brussels Capital Region of 31 March 2017.	Organization of the examination and training for the certification of adequate knowledge on PPP (called "Phytolicence").	http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/cgi/article_body.pl?language=fr&pub_date=2017-05-09&numac=2017011564&caller=list
Bru.4	Order of the Government of the Brussels Capital Region of 20 December 2018.	Ban on the use of pesticides containing r neonicotinoids or similar active substances i in the Brussels Capital Region.	https://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/eli/arrete/2018/12/20/2018015702/moniteur
Bru.5	Order of the Government of the Brussels Capital Region of 14 April 2016 (SCA 1).	SCA I: Order of the Government of the Brussels Capital Region of 14 April 2016 designating Natura 2000 site BE1000001: "The Sonian Forest with woodland edges and adjoining wooded areas and the Woluwe Valley - Sonian Forest-Woluwe Valley complex";	http://www.etaamb.be/fr/2016031309.html Numac : 2016031309

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Bru.6	Order of the Government of the Brussels Capital Region of 24 September 2015 (SCA 2).	SCA II : Order of the Government of the Brussels Capital Region of 24 September 2015 designating Natura 2000 site BE1000002: "Wooded and open areas in the south of the Brussels Region – Verrewinkel-Kinsendael complex";	http://www.etaamb.be/fr/arr-ete-du-gouvernement-de-la-region-de-bruxellescapit_n2015031645.html Numac : 2015031645
Bru.7	Order of the Government of the Brussels Capital Region of 14 April 2016 (SCA 3).	SCA III: Order of the Government of the Brussels Capital Region of 14 April 2016 designating Natura 2000 site BE1000003: "Wooded and wetland areas of the Molenbeek Valley in the north-west of the Brussels Region".	http://www.etaamb.be/fr/arr-ete-du-gouvernement-de-la-region-de-bruxellescapit_n2016031305.html Numac : 2016031305
Bru.8	Ordinance of 1 March 2012 on nature protection	Prohibits the use and storage of pesticides in natural reserves and forest reserves.	http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/eli/ordonnance/2012/03/01/2012031122/moniteur
Bru.9	Order of the of the Government of the Brussels Capital Region of 10 November 2016.	Ban on the use of pesticides containing glyphosate in the Brussels-Capital Region.	http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/cgi/article_body.pl?language=fr&pub_date=2016-12-02&numac=2016031775&caller=list
Bru.10	Order of the Government of the Brussels Capital Region of 10 November 2016.	Instructions on the plan of application of pesticides in public areas (derogations file) in the Brussels-Capital Region.	http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/cgi/article_body.pl?language=fr&pub_date=2016-12-02&numac=2016031777&caller=list
Bru.11	Order of the Government of the Brussels Capital Region of 10 November 2016.	Instruction for displaying and marking related to the use of pesticides.	http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/cgi/article_body.pl?language=fr&pub_date=2016-12-02&numac=2016031776&caller=list
Bru.12	Order of the Government of the Brussels Capital Region of 23 November 2017.	Prohibition of the use of plant protection products in areas at risk for the aquatic environment and non-target aquatic organisms.	https://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/eli/arrete/2017/11/23/2017031729/moniteur
Bru.13	Order of the Government of the Brussels Capital Region of 6 June 2024.	Order regulating the use of plant protection products other than those considered low-risk, and adding conditions of use to the exemptions referred to in Article 9 of the Ordinance of 20 June 2013.	https://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/eli/arrete/2024/06/06/2024006081/moniteur
Bru.14	Order of the Government of the Brussels Capital Region of 30 Mei 2024.	Order regulating the sale of plant protection products and establishing the conditions for managing dedicated stocks	https://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/eli/arrete/2024/05/30/2024005733/moniteur
Bru.15	Order of the Government of the Brussels Capital Region of 30 Mei 2024.	Order concerning the application of the general principles of integrated pest management	https://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/eli/arrete/2024/05/30/2024005732/moniteur

2. TABLE OF CONCORDANCE

Directive 2009/128/EEC	National legislation but also other major implementing actions could be mentioned (i.e. code of conduct for sustainable use, guidelines, etc)		Brief Explanation of Contents
Article 1 (<i>Subject matter</i>)	Bru.1 , art1		
Article 2 (<i>Scope</i>)	Bru.1 , art 1 (Bru. 13) and art 2.		Article 1 of Bru.1 states that “ the Government may determine which pesticides are prohibited due to the risks they pose to human health or the environment”. Bru. 13 was adopted pursuant to this article.
Article 3 (<i>Definitions</i>)	Fed	Fed.1 , art.2.1°-8°. Fed.2 , art.2.1°-23°.	
	Bru	Bru.1 , art.3.	
	Fla	Fla.5 .	
	Wal	Wal.1 (art.2) + Wal.2 (art.2, 10).	Only for the elements relevant to Walloon competences
Article 4 (<i>National Action Plans</i>)	Fed	Fed.3 (Fed.1 , art.3, art.4 art.3§1-8, art.4§1-4); Fed.4 (Fed.1 , art.3§1-8, art.4§1-4); Fed.14 .	
	Bru	Bru.1 , art. 4, 5 and 17.	Refers to the actions of the NAPAN (National Action Plan for Belgium) carried out by the Brussels-Capital Region.
	Fla	Fla.1 (art. 8 and 9). Fla.2 (Articles 9, 10 and 11 + the Annex of this Order).	Together they provide the rules for the elaboration of the Flemish Part of the NAPAN (National action plan for Belgium). It specifies the elements that need to figure in it, the procedures to elaborate and finalize it (including public participation ...).
	Wal	Wal.1 (art.5 and 11).	Refer to the text of articles 4.1 and 4.2 of SUD Definition of the “PWRP” (Walloon Program for Pesticides Reduction) which is the Walloon part of the NAPAN (National action plan for Belgium).
Article 5 (<i>Training</i>)	Fed	Fed.3 (Fed.2 annex 3 & Fed.7 , art.5 c & e); Fed.5 , art.2§3.2; Fed.6 , art.2§1, art.6, art.9, art.19§1 4°, art.23 4°, art.32quater 5°, art.39, art.40§3, art.47bis, art.59 4°.	
	Bru	Bru.1 , art. 13 to 16 (Bru.3).	
	Fla	Fla.5 . Fla.6 . Fla.7 .	This lays down the framework to provide in the necessary training initiatives for professional users of pesticides. It includes also the required certification. Conditions for organization of training for obtaining the fytolicense

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		Fla.8.	https://codex.vlaanderen.be/Portals/Codex/documenten/1016406.html http://lv.vlaanderen.be/nl/opleidingen-fytollicentie
	Wal	Wal.1 (art.10). Wal.4 + Wal.8	Adaptation of the Decree 12/07/2001 for agricultural training
Article 6(1) (Requirements for sales of pesticides)	Fed.3 art.4-6 (Fed.2 , art.12-25). Bru.1 art. 20 (Bru.14)		Article 20 of Bru.1 states that “the Government shall establish all necessary measures to prevent the unsafe handling of pesticides authorized for non-professional use”. Bru. 14 (regulating the sales) was adopted pursuant to this article.
Article 6(2) (Requirements for sales of pesticides)	Fed.3 art.4-6 (Fed.8 art.3-15 & Fed.2 , art.12-25).		
Article 6(3) (Requirements for sales of pesticides)	Fed.3 , art.4-6 (Fed.1 , art.5). Wal.1 ., art.4/2		Article 4/2 of Wal.1 states that “The Government may impose obligations on personnel responsible for the sale of pesticides referred to in Article 4/1 with regard to the information to be provided on precautions to be taken during application and on the risks posed by the active substances referred to for the protection of the environment, human health, and nature conservation. The Government shall take all necessary measures to ensure that the information provided under paragraph 1 is communicated to users.”
Article 7(1) (Information and awareness-raising)	Fed	Fed.3 , art.5§1 6° (Fed.1 , art.6).	
	Bru	Bru.1 , art. 17.	
	Fla	Fla.1 (art. 10); Fla.2 (art. 9 and the Annex).	An important instrument to ensure awareness on the use of pesticides and to demonstrate the available alternatives is the following website: www.zonderisgezonder.be
	Wal	Wal.1 (art.7 §1st).	Refer to the text of article 7.1 of SUD
Article 7(2) (Information and awareness-raising)	Fed	Fed.3 , art.5§1 6° (Fed.1 , art.6).	Refer to the text of article 7.2 of SUD
	Bru	Bru.1 , art. 18.	
	Wal	Wal.1 (art.7§2t).	
Article 8(1) (Inspection of equipment in use)	Fed.3 , art.15-18 (Fed.9 , art.2-20).		FASFC: Sprayers of plant protection products have to be inspected every three years

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Article 8(2) (<i>Inspection of equipment in use</i>)	Fed.3 , art.15-18 (Fed.9 , art.2-20).		FASFC: Inspections are in place since 1996. New sprayers have to be inspected within a period of three years after purchase
Article 8(3) (<i>Inspection of equipment in use</i>)	Fed.3 , art.15-18 (Fed.9 , art.2-20).		FASFC: 4 types of sprayers are legally exempted from inspection: knapsack sprayers and lance sprayers A research project in order to comply with the risk assessment specified in art.3 is ongoing “ <i>Development of a risk assessment procedure for pesticide application equipment within the framework of article 8 of the EU Directive 2009/128 and development of specific inspection procedures</i> ”
Article 8(4) (<i>Inspection of equipment in use</i>)	Fed.3 , art.15-18 (Fed.9 , art.2-20).		FASFC: Relevant requirements for the inspection are include in annex 1
Article 8(5) (<i>Inspection of equipment in use</i>)	Fed.3 , art.15-18 (Fed.2 , art.25).		
Article 8(6) (<i>Inspection of equipment in use</i>)	Fed.3 , art.15-18 (Fed.9 R, art.2-20 & Fed.10).		FASFC: Two ISO 17020 bodies are recognized to implement the inspection system in Belgium A sticker is affixed on sprayers which were successfully inspected and a certificate is given to the owner of the sprayers. Sprayers successfully inspected in other MS are recognized in Belgium for a 3 years inspection interval
Article 9(1) (<i>Aerial spraying</i>)	Fed.3 (Fed.2 , art.4 + annex 1).		
Article 9(2) (<i>Aerial spraying</i>)	Fed.3 (Fed.2 , art.4 + annex 1).		
Article 9(3) (<i>Aerial spraying</i>)	Fed.3 (Fed.2 , art.4 + annex 1).		
Article 9(4) (<i>Aerial spraying</i>)	Fed.3 (Fed.2 , art.4 + annex 1).		
Article 9(5) (<i>Aerial spraying</i>)	Fed.3 (Fed.2 , art.4 + annex 1).		
Article 9(6) (<i>Aerial spraying</i>)	Fed.3 (Fed.2 , art.4 + annex 1).		
Article 10 (<i>Information to the public</i>)			
Article 11(1) (<i>Specific measures to protect the</i>)	Fed	Fed.3 , art.2 15°f (Fed.2 , art.5-9, annex 1 8.a).	
	Bru	Bru.1 art.6 § 2,5°; art. 8, § 1, a), b), c) and § 2. Bru.12	

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<i>aquatic environment and drinking water</i>	Fla	Fla.9. Fla.1 (art. 4, 5 and 6); Fla.2 (chapters 2 and 3). Fla.10.	<p>This Decree includes the regime applicable to the river basin management plans. These plans also include important actions concerning the use of pesticides in relation to the water quality.</p> <p>Includes the legal basis and references to several measures to protect the aquatic environment regarding the use of pesticides.</p> <p>Several actions involving the use of pesticides are prohibited in protection areas. Some exceptions are possible.</p> <p>https://www.zonderisgezonder.be/archief/wetgeving/decreten-en-besluiten B.S., 05/04/2013</p>
	Wal	Programmatical provision xxx, Wal.2 Wal.9	
Article 11(2)(a) <i>(Specific measures to protect the aquatic environment and drinking water)</i>	Fed	Fed.3 art.2 15°f (Fed.2 , art.5-9, annex 1 8.a).	
	Bru	Bru.1. art 6 § 2, 5°.	Preference to pesticides that are not classified as dangerous for the aquatic environment when a derogation is granted for pesticide use in public spaces.
	Fla	See the reglementation mentioned where the implementing of Art. 11(1) SUD is explained.	http://lv.vlaanderen.be/sites/default/files/attachments/ipm_ri chtlijnen - checklist 2017 mei met kaftdocx.pdf
	Wal	Wal.1 (article 3) + Wal.2 (art.3) + measure of the “PWRP” (Wal.5.3.).	Sensitization to water protection, derogation for pesticide use in public areas between 2014 and 2019 linked to the type of PPP (hazard symbol)...
Article 11(2)(b) <i>(Specific measures to protect the aquatic environment and drinking water)</i>	Fed	Fed.3 , art.2 15°f (Fed.2 , art.5-9, annex 1 8.a).	
	Bru	Bru.1. art. 9 § 4, 4°.	General recommendation to use low-drift and properly adjusted application equipment when a derogation is granted.
	Fla	See the reglementation mentioned at the implementing by the Flemish Region of Art. 11(1) SUD. Fla. 4. Fla.11 (art 11 spraying technics). Fla.12.	Low-drift nozzles have to be applied by the professional users of plant protection products, for example drift reducing nozzles of 50 % in the IPM guidelines. (see also art. 14 SUD) (see the checklist developed by the Flemish Department of Agriculture): http://lv.vlaanderen.be/sites/default/files/attachments/ipm_ri chtlijnen - checklist 2017 mei met kaftdocx.pdf
	Wal	Wal.2 (art.9§4).	Promotion of anti-drift equipment
Article 11(2)(c) <i>(Specific measures to</i>	Fed	Fed.3 , art.2 15°f (Fed.2 , art.5-9, annex 1 8.a). Fed.16-20.	Reference Fed.2 was amended by the Royal Decree of 3 June 2025.

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<i>protect the aquatic environment and drinking water</i>	Bru	Bru.1 art. 8 § 1, a) to c), and § 2.	Bru.1 , art.8, § 1 (a, b, c), forbids the use of pesticides in water catchment protection areas. Bru.1 , art.8, § 2, establishes mandatory buffer zones for the protection of water bodies and forbids the use of pesticides along impermeable surfaces connected to stormwater collection systems.
	Fla	See the reglementation mentioned at Art. 11(1) SUD. Fla10 . Fla.9 (art. 10). Fla.2 (art. 3) – type of terrain n° 6.	Mandatory buffer zones along water courses. Protection of water resources (surface and groundwater), protection of catchment areas for drinking water. Several actions involving the use of pesticides are prohibited in protection areas. Some exceptions are possible. Mandatory bufferzone of 1 m (also to be respected by agricultural and horticultural users of pesticides). Near surface water the use of pesticides is prohibited on all terrains including the embankments within a distance of 6 meters of the surface water. Derogations are possible applying the procedures laid down in the Fla.2 .
	Wal	Wal.2 (art.9§§1 st to 3, art.21 to 27).	Mandatory buffer zones along water courses and hard surfaces connected to surface water Protection of water resources (surface and groundwater), protection of catchment areas for drinking water
Article 11(2)(d) <i>(Specific measures to protect the aquatic environment and drinking water)</i>	Fed	Fed.3 art.2 15°f (Fed.2 , art.5-9, annex 1 8.a).	
	Bru	Bru.1 , art. 8 § 2 and § 3 (Bru. 12)	Prohibition of the use of plant protection products in areas at risk for the aquatic environment and establishment of mandatory buffer zones for the protection of water bodies and interdiction of application of pesticides along permeable surfaces connected to drainage collectors.
	Fla	Fla.2 (chapters 2 and 3).	Severe restrictions on the application of pesticides apply for different types of terrain. Applications for a derogation can sometimes be requested.
	Wal	Wal.2 (art.3, art.9§§1 st to 3).	“Zero PPP” objective for public areas in June 2019 Interdiction of chemical treatment on hard surfaces connected to surface water
Article 12(1) <i>(Reduction of pesticide use or risks in specific areas)</i>	Bru.1 , art. 1 (Bru.9, Bru.4; Bru.13).		Interdiction of use of pesticides containing glyphosate (Bru. 10), neonicotinoids and similar substances (Bru.4) and regulating the use of plant protection products other than those considered low-risk on the Brussels-Capital Region’s territory.

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Article 12 (a) <i>(Reduction of pesticide use or risks in specific areas)</i>	Bru	Bru.1 , art. 6 (Bru.10), art. 7, art. 9, art. 10 (Bru.11) and art. 11.	Bru.1 Article 6 forbids the use of pesticides in public areas. Art. 7 forbids the use of pesticides in sensitive areas for vulnerable groups (such as schools, hospitals, day-care institutes, etc.) Art. 9 to 11 establishes conditions for derogations in limited cases. Within this derogation framework, Bru.10 sets rules for a mandatory pesticides application plan in public spaces, and Bru.11 implements instructions for displayings and marking.
	Fla	Fla.1 (art. 4, 5 and 6). Fla.2 (chapters 2 and 3).	Severe restrictions on the application of pesticides apply for different types of terrain. Applications for a derogation can sometimes be requested. In this case in particular the type of terrain n° 5.
	Wal	Wal.1 (art.4) + Wal.2 (art.3 to 8).	Use restrictions for vulnerable groups from June 2018, public sensitization to non-chemical methods
Article 12 (b) <i>(Reduction of pesticide use or risks in specific areas)</i>	Bru	Bru.1 , art. 8, § 1, and art. 9. Bru.8 Art 27, § 1, 19°, art.38, art. 47-48 (Bru.5, art.15; Bru.6, art.12 ; Bru.7, art.15), art. 83 to 85.	Bru.1 Article 8, § 1 forbids the use of pesticides in the following areas: - protected areas for the catchment of groundwater (a-c); - natural reserves (d), forest reserves (e), and designated Natura 2000 areas (f). Art. 9, § 2 of Bru.1 refers to the derogation procedures of Bru.8 when those specific areas (d to f) are concerned. Bru.8 art. 27, § 1, 19° prohibits the use and storage of pesticides in natural and forest reserves. Bru.8 art. 47-48 protect Natura 2000 sites. In application of these articles, Bru.5 (art.15), Bru.6 (art.12) and Bru.7 (art.15) prohibit, respectively for each of the 3 Natura 2000 sites of the Brussels-Capital Region, the destruction of indigenous vegetal species (1°), the use of pesticides in the natural habitats of Community interest (11°) and the release of chemicals (13°). Moreover, Bru.8 art.83 to 85 set out derogation procedures for the use of PPP in the areas mentioned above.
	Fla	Fla.13 (art. 20, 21, and 30).	The use of pesticides in the indicated areas (Forestry / Nature) is prohibited, but derogation can be applied and granted.
		Fla.14 (art. 14, 25 and 35).	
		Fla.15 .	These Management contracts for instance include parcel edge management without herbicides.
	Wal	Wal.1 (art.3) + Wal.2 (art.21 to 27) + Wal.5 + Wal.6 (art.42).	See above + General measures for Natura2000 areas + Measures for PPP use in forest
Article 12 (c) <i>(Reduction of pesticide use or risks in specific areas)</i>	Fed.3 (Fed.2 , art.11§1-2).		

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Article 13(1) (Handling and storage of pesticides and treatment of their packaging and remnants)	Fed	Fed.3 (Fed.2 , art.10 1°-4°).	
	Bru	Bru.1 , art 19 (Bru.2).	Bru.2 sets storage conditions for professional PPP, measures regarding handling (on specific areas), dilution, treatment of their packaging and remnants.
	Fla	Fla.5 ; Fla.16 (Chapter 5.5. Pesticides, Annex 1, section 2.3.2. and 2.3.3, and section 5. Pesticides) Fla.17 (Article 6).	Residues from pesticides spraying have to be minimized as much as possible, as explained in the Guides on good agricultural practices. If residues still remain the residues have to be treated in a safe and environmentally correct way. Storage conditions for professional PPP, measures regarding handling (+ construction requirements), treatment of remnants of application of pesticides (biofiltering, or physico-chemical treatments of remnants). This includes a regime for pesticides used by professionals, namely the financing and establishing of a collection and waste treatment system for packaging and expired products.
	Wal	Wal.1 (article 6) + Wal.2 (art.12 to 18) + Wal.3 (storage conditions).	Storage conditions for professional PPP, measures regarding handling (on specific areas), dilution, treatment of their packaging and remnants...
Article 13(2) (Handling and storage of pesticides and treatment of their packaging and remnants)	Fed.3 , art.10-14 (Fed.11 , art.10 5°, art.44 22°, art.59, art.78 7°).		
	Bru.1 , art. 20.		
Article 13(3) (Handling and storage of pesticides and treatment of their packaging and remnants)	Fed	Fed.3 , art.10-14 (Fed.2 , art.10 1°-4°).	
	Bru	Bru.1 , art 19 (Bru.2).	
	Fla	Fla.5 . Fla.4 .	Obligation in the IPM guidelines http://lv.vlaanderen.be/sites/default/files/attachments/ipm_ri chtlijnen - checklist 2017 mei met kaftdocx.pdf http://lv.vlaanderen.be/nl/voorlichting-info/publicaties/praktijkgidsen/praktijkgids-gewasbescherming All professional users of PPPs have to apply the general principles of Integrated pest management (those are laid down in the annex of this Order). Sector-specific guidelines based on the general principles are elaborated and provided by the authorities. (see also the checklist developed by the Flemish Department of Agriculture): http://lv.vlaanderen.be/sites/default/files/attachments/ipm_ri chtlijnen - checklist 2017 mei met kaftdocx.pdf

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Article 14(2) (Integrated pest management)	Bru	Bru.1 , art. 4, 12, and 17.	
	Fla	Fla.4 , Fla.20 Fla.21	The warning systems, forecasting systems and early diagnosis systems of the practice centers are accredited and funded by the Flemish region through: Ministerial decree about the launch of a call for project in 2024 for an warning and forecasting service The practice centers themselves that promote IPM and do extension work are funded and accredited by the Flemish region through: Order of the Flemish government of the 12th of February 2021 on subsidising practice centers active in research, extension and de development of plant production
	Wal	Wal.1 (art.8).	Refer to the text of articles 14.1, 14.2, 14.3 and 14.5 of SUD.
Article 14(5) (Integrated pest management)	Bru	Bru.1 , art. 4 and 12. (Bru.15)	
	Fla	Fla.4 .	Sector and cop specific rules and recommendations: IPM brochure and checklist 2025 Publicly available guidelines: a) General guideline on good practice in plant protection b) Guideline for arable crops c) Guideline for glasshouse crops d) Guideline for open air vegetables e) Guideline for fodder crops f) Guideline for ornamental crops g) Guideline for fruit crops
	Wal	Wal.1 (art.8).	Refer to the text of articles 14.1, 14.2, 14.3 and 14.5 of SUD.
Article 15(1) (Indicators)	Fed	Fed.3 (Fed.1 , art.8§1-3).	
	Bru	Bru.1 , art 21.	
	Fla	Fla.1 (art. 9); Fla.2 (its Annex).	In line with the provisions of the SUD. Number of participants and controlled professional users of PPP concerning IPM.
	Wal	Wal.2 (art.28).	
Article 15(2)(a) (Indicators)	Fed	Fed.3 (Fed.1 , art.8§1-3).	
	Bru	Bru.1 , art 21.	
	Fla	Fla.1 (art. 9) Fla.2 (its Annex)	
	Wal	Wal.2 (article 28).	

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Article 15(2)(b) (Indicators)	Fed	Fed.3 (Fed.1 , art.8§1-3).	
	Bru	Bru.1 , art 21.	
	Fla	Fla.1 (art. 9); Fla.2 (its Annex).	http://lv.vlaanderen.be/nl/voorlichting-info/publicaties/praktijkgidsen/praktijkgids-gewasbescherming
	Wal	Wal.2 (art.28).	The “Walloon” indicators for pesticides are integrated in the “State of the Walloon Environment” published every 2 years
Article 15(2)(c) (Indicators)	Fed	Fed.3 (Fed.1 , art.8§1-3).	
	Bru	Bru.1 , art 21.	
	Fla	Fla.1 (art. 9); Fla.2 (its Annex).	
	Wal	Wal.2 (art.28).	
Article 15(3) (Indicators)	Fed	Fed.3 (Fed.1 , art.8§1-3).	
	Bru		
	Fla	Fla.1 (art. 9); Fla.2 (its Annex).	
	Wal		
Article 17 (Penalties)	Fed	Fed.1 , art.9; Fed.2 , art.40, art.48§1-2; Fed.13 , art.7.	
	Bru	Bru.1 , art. 22.	
	Fla	Fla.3 . Decree of 5 April 1995 concerning general provisions relating to environmental policy Title XVI. Supervision, enforcement and safety measures Article 16.1.1. - 16.7.9. Fla.19 . Sanctions for infractions on conditions of cross-compliance (CAP)	Sanctions are taking referring to the Decree concerning Agriculture and Fisheries Administrative enforcement and fines (also possible for infractions linked to the use and production of pesticides) Criminal Enforcement (prison sentences, fines) (also possible for infractions linked to the use and production of pesticides) Safety measures can include, among other things: the termination or execution of operations, transactions or activities, immediately or within a specific period; the ban on the use of or the sealing of buildings, installations, machines, equipment, means of transport, (...); the complete or partial closure of an establishment (...). The compliance is supervised by the Flemish Agricultural administration. Some of the conditions apply to plant protection and the use of PPPs. Infractions are sanctioned and can include the loss of an important part of the support that is to be granted within the framework of the CAP. https://codex.vlaanderen.be/Zoeken/Document.aspx?DID=1024771&param=inhoud
	Wal	Wal.1 (art.9).	Penalties regarding the pesticide use are 3 rd category penalties (from 8 days to six months imprisonment and from 100 to 100.000 EUR penalties)

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Article 19 (Fees and charges)	Fed	Fed.12 , art.12-14, annex 1-8 (Fed.9 , art.13-15).	
	Bru	Bru.1 , art. 23 .	No implementation for the moment
	Fla		We don't use this possibility for the time being.
	Wal		We don't use this possibility at the present time
Annex I (Training subjects referred to in Article 5)	Wal.4 .		The WGO define the programs for the different levels of "phytolicence" (P1 to P3 and NP) regarding the subjects mentioned in Annex I
	Bru.1 , art. 13, and annex II (Bru.3 , art.5., § 1, and annex I).		
Annex II (Health and safety and environmental requirements relating to the inspection of pesticide application equipment)	Fed.9 (annex 1).		FASFC: Relevant requirements for the inspection are include in annex 1.
Annex III (General principles of integrated pest management)	Wal	Wal.7	
	Bru	Bru.1 , annex I.	
	Fla	Fla.4 (its annex in particular).	The annex includes these general principles of integrated pest management.