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The latest COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION (EU) 2019/794 of 15 May 2019 on a coordinated control plan with a view to establishing the prevalence of certain substances migrating from materials and articles intended to come into contact with food.

According to the 2019/794 UE recommendation all member states are obliged to implement a **coordinated control plan** for food contact articles and materials.

The general objective of the control plan is to establish the prevalence of substances migrating from food contact materials into food or the presence of substances in the food contact material. Competent Authorities of the Member States should therefore carry out official controls in order to establish the prevalence on the European Union market as regards:

- the migration of targeted substances from food contact materials,
- targeted substances in food contact materials,
- overall migration from plastic food contact materials.

Maintain a regular cooperation with J.S. Hamilton Poland Laboratory to provide a thorough control of food contact products.

According to the UE recommendation from 1st of June to 31st of December the fallowing number of samples from the member states is going to undergo control:

100 samples	Belgium | Germany | Spain | France | Italy | the United Kingdom
75 samples	Czech Republic | Cyprus | Hungary | the Netherlands | Poland | Romania
50 samples	Denmark | Ireland | Greece | Croatia | Lithuania | Austria | Portugal | Sweden
25 samples	Bulgaria | Estonia | Latvia | Luxembourg | Malta | Slovenia | Slovakia | Finland

The table below sets out the types of food contact materials, which should be sampled together with the substances for which migration from those food contact materials should be analysed, except in the case of fluorinated compounds for which the quantity in the material should be analysed.

Substances to be tested	Food contact material to be sampled
Primary aromatic amines (PAA)	Plastic tableware and kitchenware and printed food contact materials including paper and board
Formaldehyde and Melamine	Plastic tableware and kitchenware including non-conventional plastic kitchenware and tableware, such as reusable coffee cups using additives in the plastic derived from natural sources such as bamboo
Phenol	Plastic kitchenware and tableware; varnished or coated materials and; printed plastic and paper and board packaging materials
Bisphenols including BPA and BPS	Polycarbonate plastic (BPA) and polyethersulfone plastic (BPS); coated metal packaging (e.g. cans, lids)
Phthalates and non-phthalate plasticisers	Plastic materials and articles, in particular those manufactured using polyvinylchloride (PVC) such as thermoformed sheets, flexible packaging and tubing; closures and lids
Fluorinated compounds	Paper and board based materials and articles, including those used to wrap fast-food, takeaway and bakery products and microwave popcorn bags
Metals	Ceramic, enamel, vitreous and metal kitchenware and tableware including artisanal and traditionally produced materials and articles
Overall migration	Non-conventional plastic kitchenware and tableware, such as reusable coffee cups using additives in the plastic derived from natural sources such as bamboo

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