

The Government of the Russian Federation has taken the following measures in order to prevent the spread of coronavirus infection (COVID-19) and avoid food shortages.

The Board of the Eurasian Economic Commission by Decision 43 dated March 31, 2020 imposed a ban on the exports from the customs territory of the Eurasian Economic Union of certain types of commodities including rye, rice, buckwheat, millet, cereals, wholemeal flour and cereal granules, hulled buckwheat grain, soybeans, sunflower seeds and buckwheat-based prepared foodstuffs. This ban remains valid until June 30, 2020.

In addition, the Government of the Russian Federation by Decree 385 dated March 31, 2020 imposed from April 1 to June 30, 2020 a quantitative restriction (quota) for exports of wheat and meslin, rye, barley and corn, which are important for the domestic market of the Russian Federation in accordance with the customs procedure of exports in a total volume of 7 million tons, excluding seeds of grain crops. This restriction applies to exports from the Russian Federation to non-Eurasian Economic Union countries.