

Dear readers,

Here is a selection of court rulings on pesticides from around the world in June 2023. We hope you enjoy reading it, and that it inspires you to take further legal action. This month, our newsletter focuses on France, the United States, Brazil and the Netherlands.

The Justice Pesticides team



Private law news

Criminal law



France: A man condemned for trafficking in glyphosate-based pesticides

On June 15, the Tours Criminal Court sentenced an individual for selling synthetic pesticides to private individuals. [To find out more, click here.](#)

France: The "Secret Toxiques" campaign expands

On June 28, two NGOs filed a complaint against persons unknown for label fraud, endangering the lives of others, and environmental damage, before the Pau Judicial Court. At issue is the presence of undeclared toxic compounds in pesticides sold over the counter to individuals and local collectivities. [To find out more, click here.](#)



Civil law



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Netherlands: Pesticide ban for lily grower

In a summary order issued on June 12, the Court of the Northern Netherlands prohibited a lily grower from spraying pesticides on defined plots of land, due to the risk of serious adverse effects on the health of people living nearby. The judge relied in particular on the SPRINT study. [To find out more, click here.](#)

Administrative law news

France: France liable for ecological damage

On June 29, the Paris Administrative Court found the French government liable for ecological damage resulting



from its failure to meet its targets for reducing pesticide use, and its disregard of its obligation to protect groundwater from the impact of pesticides. [To find out more, click here.](#)

United States: Renewal of Enlist One and Enlist Duo approvals challenged

On June 6, NGOs filed an appeal against the renewal of the marketing authorization decisions for Enlist One and Enlist Duo, two glyphosate-based herbicides, arguing that the EPA had failed to comply with the requirements of FIFRA and ESA. [To find out more, click here.](#)



Constitutional law news



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Brazil: Ban on aerial pesticide spraying ruled constitutional

On May 29, the Federal Supreme Court of Brasilia rejected the direct action for unconstitutionality filed by Brazil's Confederation of Agriculture and Fishing against the 2019 Ceará state law banning aerial pesticide spraying. [To find out more, click here.](#)

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