

## **History and evolution of food contact packaging approval in EU**

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The EU FCM legislation was born in the 70s with general safety principles, still valid. Harmonized measures were laid down and amended along time on materials (plastic, regenerated cellulose, ceramic, active and intelligent materials and articles) and substances (nitrosamines in rubber, BPA, BADGE and related substances, VCM). Industrial innovations, scientific and safety issues, improvement in tools (digitalization, analytical instrumentation,) and environmental safety challenges pushed toward a wider angle of view with respect simple authorization of substances. Safety evaluation of processes and their management under auditable GMP systems was established in more recent EU legislation.