

Paraffin Oil in Beehives

Apiarists

EU recently announced that it has reviewed existing organic pesticides. As a result of this review, several plant based and traditional substances have not been re-approved. One of these “sunset” inputs is paraffin oil which will be phased out. This will exclude it from being able to be used in preserving timber in apiaries. As yet a phase out date has not been set by the EU. We suggest that prior to your next audit when you update your organic management plan you consider what alternative options you will use.