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Application to operate in the Union

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Transitional provisions

Question

In advance of the date of application of the Regulation on 2 July 2026, what are the different registration pathways for ESG rating providers?

ESMA Answer

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The Regulation provides several different routes to registration for ESG rating providers intending to operate in the Union.

For small ESG rating providers within the meaning of Article 5(1):

- Those operating in the Union at the date of entry into force of the Regulation have until 2 November to notify ESMA to be included in the Article 14 register and should, ideally, notify ESMA by 2 September. If no notification takes place, they must cease their activities,
- Those who started their operations after the date of entry into force should notify ESMA from 2 July 2026 in order to be included in the Article 14 register. If no notification takes place, they must cease their activities.

For all other ESG rating providers:

- Those operating at the date of entry into force can apply for authorisation or recognition up to four months after 2 July 2026, after having first notified ESMA by 2 August 2026 that they wish to continue operating in the Union. Until ESMA decides whether to grant authorisation, they may continue their operations.