

# EU AI ACT

## QUICK REFERENCE CARD

Regulation (EU) 2024/1689

### ENFORCEMENT DATES

**Aug 2024** Act enters into force

**Feb 2025** GPAI & prohibited practices enforceable

**Aug 2026** High-risk Annex III systems must comply

**Aug 2027** Full enforcement across all provisions

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### RISK CATEGORIES — ARTICLE 6 & ANNEX III

RISK TIER	DEFINITION	EXAMPLES	KEY OBLIGATIONS
<b>UNACCEPTABLE RISK</b>	Banned outright under Article 5. Absolutely prohibited — cannot be deployed under any circumstances.	<i>Subliminal manipulation · Social scoring by public authorities · Real-time biometric surveillance in public spaces</i>	PROHIBITED — no assessment needed. Deployment is a direct legal violation with no exceptions.
<b>HIGH RISK</b>	Annex III systems or AI embedded in regulated products. Subject to the strictest compliance requirements.	<i>CV/résumé screening · Credit scoring · Biometric identification · Education access · Critical infrastructure · Law enforcement</i>	Conformity assessment · CE marking · EU database registration · Human oversight · Technical documentation · Incident logging
<b>LIMITED RISK</b>	Specific transparency obligations apply. Users must be informed they are interacting with an AI system.	<i>Chatbots · AI-generated content (deepfakes) · Emotion recognition systems</i>	Disclose AI interaction to users · Label synthetic/AI-generated content · Maintain transparency records
<b>MINIMAL / NO RISK</b>	No mandatory obligations under the Act. The vast majority of AI applications fall into this category.	<i>Spam filters · Search ranking algorithms · Grammar tools · Product recommendation engines</i>	No mandatory obligations. Voluntary codes of conduct are encouraged by the European Commission.

### ROLES & OBLIGATIONS — HIGH-RISK AI

ROLE	OBLIGATIONS
<b>PROVIDERS</b>	Conformity assessment · Technical documentation · CE marking · EU database registration · Quality management system · Incident reporting
<b>DEPLOYERS</b>	Human oversight · Fundamental rights impact assessment (public bodies) · Log outputs · Inform affected individuals · Train staff on AI systems
<b>IMPORTERS</b>	Verify provider compliance before placing on market · Do not supply non-compliant systems · Cooperate with national authorities

### ENFORCEMENT TIMELINE

<b>Aug 2024</b>	Act in force. Chapter I & II apply. Prohibited practices enforceable.
<b>Feb 2025</b>	GPAI model obligations apply. Governance framework active.
<b>Aug 2026</b>	High-risk AI (Annex III) must comply. Conformity assessments required.
<b>Aug 2027</b>	High-risk AI in regulated products (Annex II) must comply. Full enforcement.

### PENALTIES — ART. 99

#### PROHIBITED PRACTICES — Art. 5

**€35 million**

*or 7% of global annual turnover, whichever is higher*

#### HIGH-RISK VIOLATIONS — Art. 99

**€15 million**

*or 3% of global annual turnover, whichever is higher*

#### INCORRECT INFORMATION — Art. 99

**€7.5 million**

*or 1.5% of global annual turnover, whichever is higher*

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