

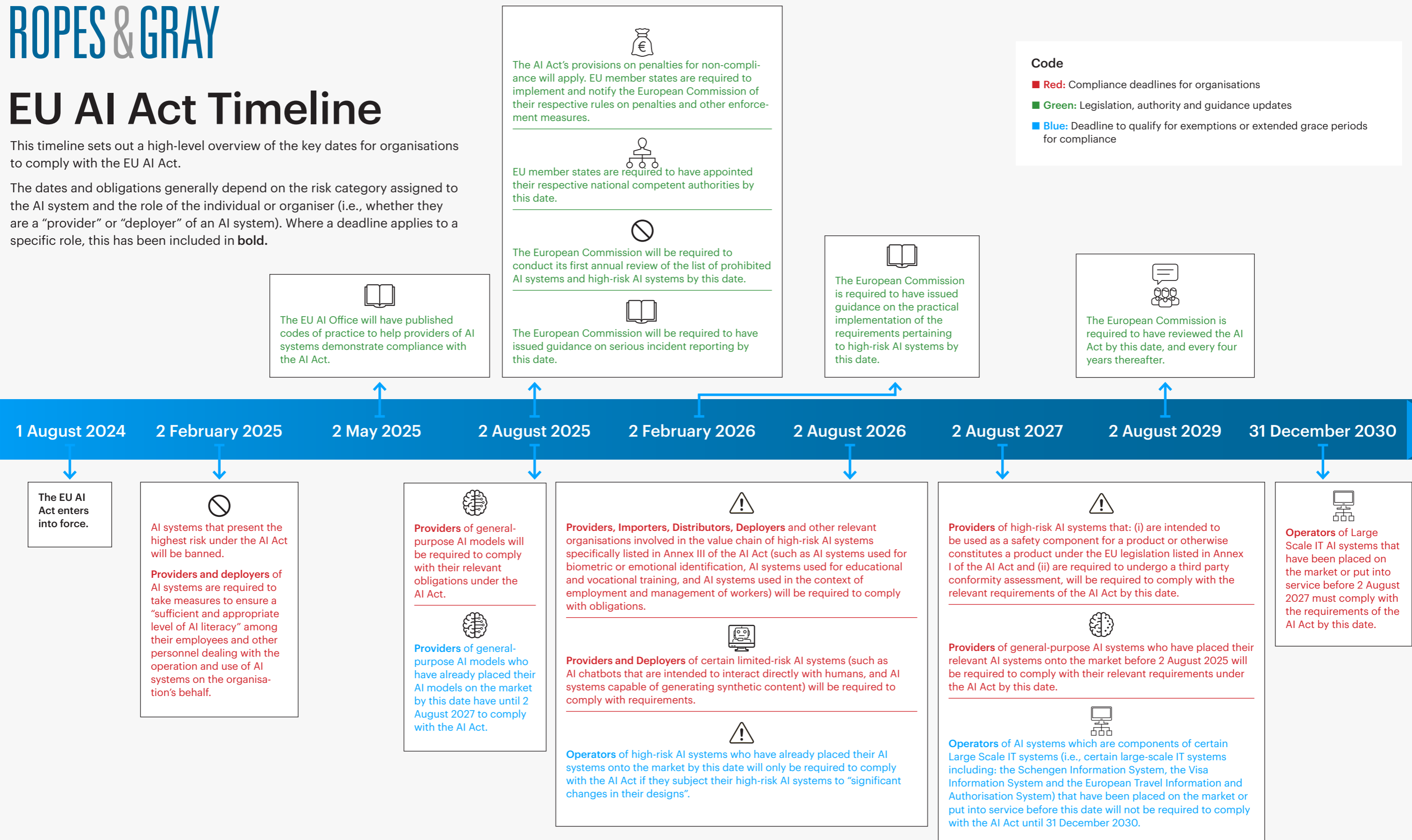
EU AI Act Timeline

This timeline sets out a high-level overview of the key dates for organisations to comply with the EU AI Act.

The dates and obligations generally depend on the risk category assigned to the AI system and the role of the individual or organiser (i.e., whether they are a “provider” or “deployer” of an AI system). Where a deadline applies to a specific role, this has been included in **bold**.

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- **Red:** Compliance deadlines for organisations
- **Green:** Legislation, authority and guidance updates
- **Blue:** Deadline to qualify for exemptions or extended grace periods for compliance



Key definitions

Provider: a natural or legal person, public authority, agency or other body that develops an AI system or a general-purpose AI model, or that has an AI system or a general-purpose AI model developed, and places it on the market or puts the AI system into service under its own name or trademark, whether for payment or free of charge. Note that where the provider is established in third countries, they must appoint an “authorised representative” located or established in the EU to perform and carry out on its behalf the obligations and procedures established by the AI Act.

Importer: a natural or legal person located or established in the Union that places on the market an AI system that bears the name or trademark of a natural or legal person established in a third country.

Distributor: a natural or legal person in the supply chain, other than the provider or the importer, that makes an AI system available on the Union market.

Deployer: a natural or legal person, public authority, agency or other body using an AI system under its authority except where the AI system is used in the course of a personal non-professional activity.

Operator: a provider, product manufacturer, deployer, authorised representative, importer or distributor.