Food safety: electronic identification of bovine animals and beef labelling

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This amended proposal replaces the proposal adopted by the Commission on 30 August 2011 on amending Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 as regards electronic identification of bovine animals and deleting the provisions on voluntary beef labelling (please see the summary of the same date).

The **only changes introduced in this new proposal** concern the provisions of Article 22 aimed at ensuring uniform conditions for the imposition of sanctions in case of non-compliance with the relevant rules on identification of animals and labelling of beef and beef products.

The proposal follows from the need to align Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, which introduced the adoption of delegated acts (Article 290 of the Treaty) and implementing acts (Article 291 of the Treaty.)

In concrete terms, the proposal provides as follows;

- the power to adopt acts in accordance with Article 290 of the Treaty is **delegated** to the Commission in respect of the administrative sanctions to be applied by the Member States in cases of irregularities non-compliance with Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000;
- **implementing powers** should be conferred on the Commission in order to ensure uniform conditions for the implementation of this Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000, corrective actions to be taken by Member States to ensure proper compliance with Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000, in cases where on-the-spot checks so justify.