

Flavouring substances used or for use in foodstuffs

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The proposed regulation had the following objectives: - to establish a high level of protection for consumers; - to improve the free movement of goods in the single market; - to increase legal certainty for economic operators and in particular for the food industry. In order to achieve this the regulation defined general criteria for the use of flavouring substances in foodstuffs. On the basis of these general criteria and the opinion of the Scientific Committee for Food a positive list of flavouring substances would be drawn up using a committee procedure. Substances deemed acceptable by the Scientific Committee for Food would be included on the list, which was to be drawn up in a number of stages. After 31 December 1993 the Member States would not be able to prevent the marketing or use in foodstuffs of flavouring substances which complied with the provisions of the regulation.