Feedingstuffs: particular nutritional purposes

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OBJECTIVE: to extend the scope of Directive 93/74/EEC to a new generation of products known as 'nutritional supplements for animals'. CONTENT: as feedingstuffs with specific nutritional objectives, nutritional supplements for animals are designed to meet the needs of animals which are in certain physiological states or are living in particular environmental conditions. In order to prevent nutritional supplements evading all regulations, it is proposed, for safety reasons, to extend the principles applicable to feedingstuffs for particular nutritional purposes to this new generation of products. The nutritional supplements will therefore be subject to a Community registration procedure designed to verify their effectiveness and harmlessness. Licences will also be issued by the Commission, after consultation with the Standing Committee on animal feedingstuffs. The Commission will draw up a list of permitted supplements, indicating in each case the precise usage, the individual nutritional characteristics, the obligatory and optional declarations and the conditions of use. The general provisions which apply to feedingstuffs for particular nutritional purposes, in respect of controls, safeguards and freedom of movement, are also to be extended to nutritional supplements.