

Extraction solvents used in the production of foodstuffs and food ingredients (3rd amend. Directive 88/344/EEC)

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OBJECTIVE: to amend, for the third time and following the opinion of the Scientific Committee for Food, Directive 88/344/EEC on extraction solvents used in the production of foodstuffs and food ingredients. **COMMUNITY MEASURE:** European Parliament and Council Directive 97/60/EC.

SUBSTANCE: the amendments made by the new directive are intended to: - delete the authorization for certain solvents which are no longer used: butyl acetate and methyl-propan-1-ol; - amend the entry for hexane, for which the Scientific Committee for Food delivered a definitive agreement in June 1993; - authorize, as a result of scientific progress, the use of a new substance which received a favourable opinion from the Scientific Committee for Food in 1995: 1, 1, 1, 2-tetrafluoroethane as an extraction solvent in the preparation of flavourings. However a provision allows operators to place on the market products which do not comply with the directive until stocks are used up. **ENTRY INTO FORCE:** 23/12/1997 **DEADLINE FOR TRANSPOSITION:** 27/10/1998