

Basic information	
1998/0109(CNS)	Procedure completed
CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	
Agenda 2000: beef and veal, reform of the common organisation of the market COM	
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Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	AGRI Agriculture and Rural Development	GAROT Georges (PSE)	08/07/1997
	Former committee responsible	Former rapporteur	Appointed
	AGRI Agriculture and Rural Development	GAROT Georges (PSE)	08/07/1997
Council of the European Union	Former committee for opinion	Former rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	BUDG Budgets	MIRANDA Joaquim (GUE /NGL)	03/06/1998
	CONT Budgetary Control	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	22/04/1998
	Council configuration	Meetings	Date
	Agriculture and Fisheries	2178	1999-05-17
	Agriculture and Fisheries	2000	1997-04-21
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Key events			

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
21/04/1997	Debate in Council		
20/05/1997	Debate in Council		
18/03/1998	Legislative proposal published	COM(1998)0158 	Summary
15/06/1998	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
08/12/1998	Vote in committee		Summary
08/12/1998	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0494/1998	
13/01/1999	Debate in Parliament		
28/01/1999	Report referred back to committee		
20/04/1999	Vote in committee		Summary
20/04/1999	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0212/1999	
05/05/1999	Debate in Parliament		
17/05/1999	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
17/05/1999	End of procedure in Parliament		
26/06/1999	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
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Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0494/1998 OJ C 104 14.04.1999, p. 0004	08/12/1998	
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Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0212/1999 OJ C 279 01.10.1999, p. 0006	20/04/1999	
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European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Document attached to the procedure	SEC(1997)0819 	16/05/1997	
Legislative proposal	COM(1998)0158 	18/03/1998	Summary
Document attached to the procedure	COM(1998)0182 	18/03/1998	

Other institutions and bodies

Institution/body	Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
EESC	Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report	CES1120/1998 OJ C 407 28.12.1998, p. 0196	09/09/1998	
CofR	Committee of the Regions: opinion	CDR0273/1998 OJ C 093 06.04.1999, p. 0001	14/01/1999	
EU	Implementing legislative act	32006R1668 OJ L 312 11.11.2006, p. 0006-0032	10/11/2006	Summary

Additional information

Source	Document	Date
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Final act

Regulation 1999/1254
OJ L 160 26.06.1999, p. 0021

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1998/0109(CNS) - 10/11/2006 - Implementing legislative act

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Commission Regulation 1668/2006/EC establishing the standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables.

CONTENT: Pursuant to the outcome of the Uruguay Round multilateral trade negotiations, Regulation 3223/94/EC lays down the criteria whereby the Commission fixes the standard values for imports from third countries, in respect of the products and periods stipulated in the Annex to that Regulation. In compliance with the above criteria, this Commission Regulation fixes the import values at the levels set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 01/12/2006.

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1998/0109(CNS) - 06/05/1999 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

In the light of the agreement reached on Agenda 2000 at the Berlin Summit in March and under consultation procedure, the European Parliament adopted the second report by Georges Garot (PSE,FR), which approves the Commission proposal for a Council regulation on the common organisation of the market in beef and veal, subject to the amendments adopted by the Parliament on 28/01/99 and one other new amendment which, in particular, sets the intervention price at EURO 3475 per tonne from 01/01/2000 until 30/06/2000 and at EURO 3301.24 per tonne from 01/07/2000 until 30/06/2002.

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1998/0109(CNS) - 17/05/1999 - Final act

PURPOSE: this Regulation falls within the scope of the reform of the common agricultural policy (CAP) and reflects the Agenda 2000 guidelines with regard to the beef sector. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Regulation 1254/1999/EC on the common organisation of the market in beef and veal. CONTENT: Under the new regime, the basic price is to be fixed at 2224 euro/t which is equivalent to a 20% price reduction. There will be a phased introduction of the changes so that the current intervention price (2780 euro/t) will be reduced in three steps and replaced on 1 July 2002 by the basic price. This price (for private storage) will be established on the introduction of the third and final reduction in the support level. Private storage aid can be granted when, as in the pig meat sector, the average Community market price is less than 103% of the basic price. As from 1 July 2002, a 'safety net' intervention system will be set up. When the average market price for bulls or steers in a Member State (or region thereof) is less than 1560 euro/t, buying-in tenders shall be organised in that Member State by the Commission through the Management Committee procedure. The Regulation also lays down a number of provisions designed to raise the level of existing subsidies: - the basic special premium for male animals will be increased in three steps up to 210 euro for bulls and 150 euro for steers in the year 2002 and will be continued at this level in the subsequent calendar years. Payments will be one-off for bulls and twice in a lifetime for steers. The premium for bulls takes into account the benefit of retaining the arable crop payment for silage maize. The minimum ages for the payment of the two brackets of the special male premium are fixed respectively at 9 months and after 21 months. - the annual Suckler Cow premium will be increased up to 200 euro in 2002 and will continue to be based on individual ceilings; - a slaughter premium will be paid directly to the farmer, under condition of a retention period. Its amount will be 80 euro for bulls, steers, dairy cows and heifers (from 8 months for all these categories of animals), and 50 euro for calves (of more than 1 month and less than 7 months and less than 160 kg carcass weight). A financial envelope per Member State will be introduced which can be used to top up payments on male and female bovine, including dairy cows. The total number of animals qualifying for the special premium and the suckler cow premium will continue to be limited to two livestock units (LU) per hectare of forage area. The current extensification premium will be significantly increased. The criteria to qualify are made more rigorous by taking account of all the adult cattle and sheep actually present on the farm. Member States may decide to apply extensification at 100 euro per livestock unit (LU) where the stocking rate is less than 1.4 livestock units per hectare. Furthermore, the number of hectares taken into account is limited to temporary and permanent prairies and all other forage areas, except arable crops. The pasture land, to be defined by the Member States, should represent at least 50% of the total forage area declared. ENTRY INTO FORCE: 26/06/1999. The Regulation applies from 01.01.2000.

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1998/0109(CNS) - 18/03/1998 - Legislative proposal

OBJECTIVE: the proposed regulation forms part of the group of proposals on the reform of the common agricultural policy and translates the guidelines of Agenda 2000 in the beef sector. SUBSTANCE: the proposal for a new common market organization for beef and veal intends replacing the intervention system by a private storage system, inspired by that applied in the pigmeat sector. The scope of direct payments will be extended and made more flexible in application. The main elements of the proposal are as follows: - the effective market support level (currently ECU 2 780 per tonne) will be reduced by 30%. The current intervention price will be reduced in two annual steps of 10% and on 1 July 2002 be replaced by a basic price for private storage, which will introduce the third 10% decrease in support level. The basic price for private storage will be set at ECU 1 950 per tonne which is the level for effective market support foreseen in the Agenda 2000 proposal. Private storage aid may be granted when the average Community market price is less than 103% of the basic price. This price can be changed only by the Council in consultation with the European Parliament; - direct payments will be increased for male bovine animals and suckler cows. A new direct payment for dairy cows will be introduced. Flexibility and targeting will be increased by entitling Member States to allocate part of the direct payment according to specific priorities; - the amount of direct support follows the Agenda 2000 proposal but will be sub-divided into a Community-wide basic payment and an additional payment according to national provisions. Direct payments for bovine animals will only be granted for those animals, which are identified and registered in accordance with EU legislation; - the basic special premium for male animals will be increased in three steps to ECU 220 for bulls (instead of ECU 135) and ECU 170

for steers (instead of ECU 108.7) in the year 2002. Regional ceilings for the number of premium rights for male animals will be fixed. The deseasonalisation premium for steers will continue as at present; - the annual suckler cow premium will be increased to ECU 180 in 2002 (instead of ECU 144.9) and will continue to be based on individual ceilings. It is also planned to introduce national ceilings to cover all suckler cow premium rights; - the beef premium granted to dairy cows will be determined on the basis of dairy premium units, thus avoiding an excessive administrative and control burden; - the total number of animals qualifying for the special premium and the suckler cow premium will be limited to 2 livestock units (LU) per hectare forage area. Producers with a stocking density less than 1.4 LU per hectare and currently practising extensive production methods may qualify for an additional payment of ECU 100 per premium granted. Member States will also allocate additional payments within the limits of fixed global amounts, financed by the EAGGF. Payments should be allowed per animal and/or per hectare of permanent pasture. The amount of direct payments may be adapted in the light of developments in production, productivity and the markets. Lastly, the provisions on trade with third countries will be carried over from existing legislation.

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1998/0109(CNS) - 28/01/1999 - Text adopted by Parliament, partial vote at 1st reading/single reading

The proposal was approved with a number of amendments and the matter was then referred back to committee pursuant to Rule 60 (2). The final vote was postponed. The Parliament's Rapporteur was Mr. Georges GAROT (PES, F). The main amendments were as follows : - measures to promote better organisation of production, processing and marketing with a view to improving transparency (labelling, traceability, etc.) and communication within the stockfarming sector and downstream industries; - measures to improve quality in dietary and health terms, market diversification, product certification, etc.; - measures to increase participation by producers and their organisations in marketing; - definition of a 'veal' calf : male or female bovine animal whose carcase weight is less than 200 kg.; - premium shall be granted once in the life of each bovine animal; - 'regional ceiling' shall mean the number of animals entitled to benefit, in a region and per calendar year, from the special premium; - maximum amount of premiums per animal payable in a given Member State in any one calendar year shall correspond to the average number of animals slaughtered in the individual categories in the years 1997, 1998 and 1999, as recorded by Eurostat or any other official statistics approved by the Commission; - adult bovine animals shall not qualify for the premium unless they are aged over 10 months; - calves for slaughter shall not qualify for the premium unless they are aged under 8 months; - ECU 150 for the calendar year 2002 and subsequent calendar years per eligible steer and age bracket; - the additional national suckler cow premium shall be maintained under the current conditions; - when a producer ceases activity and does not transfer his holding, any rights he has shall be placed in the national reserve of the relevant Member State; - producers in mountain regions and less favoured areas to be allocated premium rights; - producers exempt from the application of the stocking density if the number of animals held on his holding and to be taken into account for determining the stocking density is not more than 20 livestock units (LUs); - provisions for anti-fraud measures to be stepped up; - Member States to make additional payments to producers in their territory within the limits of ECU 1.8 billion (instead of original text of Article 13 and Annex V); - additional payments may be made in the form of slaughter premiums (rather than headage payments and/or area payments (Art. 13)) and the Community criteria for the granting of the premium; - to ensure balance between supply and demand, the Commission is to propose additional measures to curb production which shall involve either reducing the slaughter weight or introducing individual quotas for premiums for male bovine animals (under Art. 43 (2) of the Treaty); - 'Private storage' replaced by 'intervention scheme' and detailed measures relating to the operation of the intervention scheme; - detailed rules regarding selling prices, conditions for release from storage and, where appropriate, the processing of products bought in by the intervention agencies, shall be adopted by the Commission in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 39.