

Common organisation of agricultural markets (CMO): regime of the single payment scheme and support to vine-growers 2014-2020

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PURPOSE: to reform the current common organisation of agricultural markets (single CMO) as regards the regime of the single payment scheme (SPS) and support to vine-growers.

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Regulation (EU) No 1028/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 as regards the regime of the single payment scheme and support to vine-growers.

CONTENT: following an agreement with the European Parliament at first reading, the Council adopted a regulation amending the existing common organisation of the markets (single CMO) as regards the regime of the single payment scheme and support to vine-growers.

Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 establishing a common organisation of agricultural markets and on specific provisions for certain agricultural products (Single CMO Regulation) provides for a possibility for Member States to grant decoupled aid under the single payment scheme to vine-growers. The current support programmes have a five-year duration whilst payment entitlements giving rise to direct payments are granted for an indeterminate period of time.

In order to **simplify the management of this specific support measure** and to ensure its consistency with the objectives of the rules for direct support schemes for farmers, the amended regulation adapts the regime to allow Member States **to definitively decrease the funds allocated to the support programmes in the wine sector** and thereby increase the national ceilings for direct payments.

This regulation provides for the definitive transfer of the measure on support to vine-growers to the SPS. This transition will occur in **two stages**: Member States must notify:

- by 1 December 2012 their decision concerning support for vine-growers for one year **applicable to the 2014 calendar year** and
- by 1 August 2013 their decision concerning **the single payment from 2015**.

This Regulation is one of two transitional regulations adopted this year ahead of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) reform which is scheduled to enter into force in 2014. The [first transitional regulation](#), adopted by the Council in July 2012, concerned the application of direct support schemes for farmers for the calendar year 2013 and provides for a smooth transition from the current direct payments system (Regulation (EC) No 73/2009) to the new payments scheme foreseen by the Commission in the CAP reform proposals.

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