Circulation of feed materials (amend. Direct. 70/524, 74/63, 82/471 and 93/74/EEC)

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The proposal for a Council directive aimed to replace Directive 77/101/EEC on the marketing of straight feedingstuffs with new regulations in order to harmonise within the Community the rules governing the circulation of feed materials. The proposal was based on the following elements: - straight feedingstuffs and raw feed materials should be placed in one category, namely "feed materials"; - all feed materials placed in circulation should be sound, genuine and of merchantable quality; - feed materials placed in circulation should be labelled to indicate their purpose, determined by the end user. The main feed materials should have specific labelling based on a description complying with a Community-wide model; - feed materials, other than vegetable feed crops, which were placed in circulation in quantities of less than 10 kg and intended for end users other than approved compound feed manufacturers were subject to a declaration requirement regarding certain analytical constituents, the model for which was laid down at Community level; - feed materials containing higher amounts of undesirable substances than those permitted by Directive 74/63/EEC should be supplied only to approved compound feed manufacturers with a view to further processing; - in order to facilitate the adoption of implementing measures, a procedure for cooperation between the Member States and the Commission, by means of consultation within the Standing Committee on Feedingstuffs, would be established; - to ensure comparability in the identification of feedingstuffs and in the exchange of data on these feedingstuffs, the Commission would be responsible for adopting implementing methods with a view to introducing a practical system of international codification for feedingstuffs; - mixtures of feed materials other than those explicitly listed were considered to be semi-manufactured compound feedingstuffs; - provisions were laid down to ensure that the accuracy of the declarations made at all stages of circulation of feed materials could be officially verified in a uniform manner throughout the Community.