

Procedure file

Basic information	
CNS - Consultation procedure Directive	1997/0367(CNS)
Procedure completed	
Ornamental plants, marketing of propagating material SLIM (amend. direct. 93/49/EEC, 93/63/EEC, 93/78/EEC)	
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Subject	
3.10.06 Crop products in general, floriculture	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	AGRI Agriculture and Rural Development		
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	ENVI Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection		
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Agriculture and Fisheries	2115	20/07/1998

Key events			
16/12/1997	Legislative proposal published	COM(1997)0708	Summary
28/01/1998	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
25/02/1998	Vote in committee		
10/03/1998	Decision by Parliament	T4-0117/1998	Summary
20/07/1998	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
20/07/1998	End of procedure in Parliament		
13/08/1998	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	1997/0367(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Directive
	Amended by 2002/0232(CNS)
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Legal basis	EC before Amsterdam E 043; Rules of Procedure EP 52-p1
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed

Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal		COM(1997)0708 OJ C 050 17.02.1998, p. 0008	16/12/1997	EC	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0117/1998 OJ C 104 06.04.1998, p. 0020-0040	10/03/1998	EP	Summary
Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report		CES0452/1998 OJ C 157 25.05.1998, p. 0033	25/03/1998	ESC	
Implementing legislative act		32002D0744 OJ L 240 07.09.2002, p. 0063-0064	05/09/2002	EU	

Final act

[Directive 1998/56](#)
[OJ L 226 13.08.1998, p. 0016](#) Summary

Ornamental plants, marketing of propagating material SLIM (amend. direct. 93/49/EEC, 93/63/EEC, 93/78/EEC)

OBJECTIVE: to ensure the free marketing of ornamental plant propagating material throughout the territory of European Union and to establish minimum quality conditions in this respect. SUBSTANCE: the proposal is a thorough revision of Directive 91/682/EEC in the context of the SLIM initiative (Simpler Legislation for the Internal Market). The proposal aims to simplify legislation and promote competitiveness and the job-creating potential of enterprises. For the sake of clarity it is presented in the form of a recast of the former directive. Although the Directive will in future apply to all species, the provisions on accredited suppliers are limited to suppliers with the greatest influence on the quality of materials (formerly, all suppliers had to be accredited). The proposal also simplifies the former directive as follows: - it clarifies the ambiguous formulation of the provision on the authenticity of varieties and creates four well-defined categories by reference to which a variety can be marketed; - it provides for a less cumbersome procedure allowing material to be imported from third countries without a Community-level decision; - it removes the risk of duplication between accreditation under Directive 91/682/EEC and registration under the plant health directive 77/93/EEC, regarding all the producers registered under the latter directive as also accredited suppliers of propagation material.?

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The European Parliament approved the procedure without report concerning the proposal on the marketing of propagating material of ornamental plants. ?

Ornamental plants, marketing of propagating material SLIM (amend. direct. 93/49/EEC, 93/63/EEC, 93/78/EEC)

OBJECTIVE: to ensure the free movement of propagating material for ornamental plants throughout the territory of the European Union and to lay down minimum quality standards in this regard. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Directive 98/56/EC on the marketing of propagating material of ornamental plants. CONTENTS: the main elements of the Directive (recasting of the former Directive 91/682/EEC) are as follows: - requirements to be met by propagating material, - requirements to be met by suppliers of propagating material, - marketing and labelling of propagating material, - propagating material produced in third countries, - control measures. The Directive simplifies the former Directive as follows: - it clarifies the ambiguous formulation of the provision on authenticity of varieties and creates four well-defined categories by reference to which a variety may be marketed; - it provides for a less cumbersome procedure allowing material produced in third countries to be imported without a decision at Community level; - it avoids the risk of duplicating the harmonization measures under Directive 91/682/EEC and registration pursuant to the plant health Directive 77/93/EEC, as all registered producers under the latter Directive will be deemed to be also registered as suppliers of propagating material. ENTRY INTO FORCE: 1 January 1998.?