


# Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	<a href="#">1998/0041(CNS)</a>	Procedure completed
Agricultural prices 1998/1999: wine, common organisation of the market COM (amend. regul. 822/87/EEC)		
Subject 3.10.06.08 Wine, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	<b>AGRI</b> Agriculture and Rural Development		22/01/1998
		I-EDN <a href="#">DES PLACES Edouard C.M.P.</a>	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	<b>BUDG</b> Budgets		17/03/1998
		UPE <a href="#">GIAN SILY Jean-Antoine</a>	
	<b>RELA</b> External Economic Relations		23/04/1998
	PPE <a href="#">SONNEVELD Jan</a>		
	<b>ENVI</b> Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection		
	<b>DEVE</b> Development and Cooperation		
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	<a href="#">Agriculture and Fisheries</a>	<a href="#">2115</a>	20/07/1998
	<a href="#">Agriculture and Fisheries</a>	<a href="#">2110</a>	22/06/1998

Key events			
09/02/1998	Legislative proposal published	COM(1998)0051	Summary
09/03/1998	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
02/06/1998	Vote in committee		Summary
02/06/1998	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A4-0216/1998</a>	
16/06/1998	Debate in Parliament		
16/06/1998	Decision by Parliament	T4-0342/1998	Summary
20/07/1998	Act adopted by Council after consultation		

	of Parliament		
20/07/1998	End of procedure in Parliament		
28/07/1998	Final act published in Official Journal		

### Technical information

Procedure reference	1998/0041(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
Legal basis	EC before Amsterdam E 043
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed

### Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal	COM(1998)0051	09/02/1998	EC	Summary
Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report	<a href="#">CES0636/1998</a> <a href="#">OJ C 214 10.07.1998, p. 0067</a>	29/04/1998	ESC	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A4-0216/1998</a> <a href="#">OJ C 210 06.07.1998, p. 0007</a>	02/06/1998	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	T4-0342/1998 <a href="#">OJ C 210 06.07.1998, p. 0021-0060</a>	16/06/1998	EP	Summary

### Additional information

European Commission	<a href="#">EUR-Lex</a>
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### Final act

<a href="#">Regulation 1998/1627</a> <a href="#">OJ L 210 28.07.1998, p. 0008</a> Summary
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## Agricultural prices 1998/1999: wine, common organisation of the market COM (amend. regul. 822/87/EEC)

Agricultural Prices 1998/99 - Wine (common organization of the market) In the context of Agenda 2000, the Commission is committed to presenting a new proposal for the reform of the market organisation in wine. In anticipation of this proposal the Commission proposes: (1) to modify the basic Regulation (822/87) to provide for: - the extension by one marketing year of the ban on new plantings of varieties of grapes for table wine (however, the provision allowing an overall 10 000 ha of new plantings for the 1996/97 and 1997/98 marketing years will be prolonged in 1998/99, within the same global limit); - the fixing at a lower level of the total acidity content of table wines, to take account of developments in this field; (2) the extension of certain related measures and derogations, namely: - the possibility for the Commission to adopt the necessary measures in order to effectively apply compulsory distillation (management committee procedure); - the derogation for Greece for a specific application of the regime for compulsory distillation; - flexibility (introduced in 1996) available to Member States in modulating (by way of replacement measures) the contributions of sub-regions to the regional allocation of quantities for compulsory distillation; - the possibility for Spain to continue mixing red and white wine (mescla); - the possibility to retain a portion of the aid for the must used for the production of juices for the promotion of grape juice. - the obligation to present a report on the sulphur dioxide content of wines. ?

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In adopting the report by Mr Edouard des PLACES (I-EDN, F) the European Parliament tabled only a few amendments to the Commission's proposals for the price of agricultural products (1998-1999). It calls for an adjustment coefficient for all CMOs in order to compensate for the

possible disappearance of the green rate on 1 January 1999 for the Member States participating in the single currency. With regard to the market in wine, the European Parliament calls for the granting of new planting rights for quality wines produced in certain regions (VQPRD) and for table wines up to an overall limit of 24 000 hectares for new plantings to be made during the 1998/1999 and 1999/2000 wine years. It also calls for an increase in the duration of planting rights from 8 to 12 years. Member States should, under certain conditions, be able to authorize the planting of new vineyards before proceeding with the grubbing up of equivalent areas of existing vineyards. The grubbing up of vineyards must take place during the marketing year preceding the one in which the new vineyards become productive and, in any event, by the third marketing year at the latest. For the wine year 1998/99, table wines produced in Austria, Greece, France, Italy, Portugal and in the Spanish parts of winegrowing region C which are sold on the markets of these countries must have a total acidity content expressed as tartaric acid of not less than 3.5 g per litre.?

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Agricultural prices 1998/99 - Wine (common organisation of the market). COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Regulation (EC) 1627/98, amending regulation (EEC) 822/87. SUBSTANCE: The prohibition on new planting is extended to 31 August 2000. However, several Member States may authorise new planting during the next two marketing years, up to a total of 10 000 ha (Germany: 289, Greece: 208, Spain: 3615, France: 2584, Italy: 2442, Luxembourg: 4, Austria: 139, Portugal: 719). This authorisation may not be granted: - to wine from specified areas which have been the subject, over the last three wine years, of permanent abandonment premiums under Regulation (EEC) 1442/88; - to wine from administrative regions in which the total of the quantity distilled voluntarily over the last three years exceeded 10% of the total production of these years. For the 1998/1999 wine year, table wines produced in Austria, Greece, France, Italy and Portugal and in the Spanish parts of winegrowing zone C and released for consumption in these countries may not have a total acidity content of less than 3.5g per litre, expressed as tartaric acid. Certain accompanying measures and derogations have been extended for the 1998/99 marketing year. ?