

Procedure file

Basic information		
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Olive oil: extension of the period of validity of aid scheme and quality strategy		
Amending Regulation (EC) No 1638/98 1998/0098(CNS)		
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Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	AGRI Agriculture and Rural Development		24/01/2001
		GUE/NGL JOVÉ PERES Salvador	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	BUDG Budgets	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
Council of the European Union	CONT Budgetary Control		07/02/2000
		PSE CASACA Paulo	
	ENVI Environment, Public Health, Consumer Policy	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Agriculture and Fisheries	2369	23/07/2001
European Commission	Agriculture and Fisheries	2360	19/06/2001
	Agriculture and Fisheries	2328	29/01/2001
	Commission DG Agriculture and Rural Development	Commissioner	

Key events			
21/12/2000	Legislative proposal published	COM(2000)0855	Summary
29/01/2001	Debate in Council	2328	
31/01/2001	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
25/04/2001	Vote in committee		Summary
25/04/2001	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A5-0137/2001	

16/05/2001	Debate in Parliament		
17/05/2001	Decision by Parliament	T5-0270/2001	Summary
23/07/2001	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
23/07/2001	End of procedure in Parliament		
26/07/2001	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2000/0358(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
	Amending Regulation (EC) No 1638/98 1998/0098(CNS)
Legal basis	EC Treaty (after Amsterdam) EC 037
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	AGRI/5/14308

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Legislative proposal		COM(2000)0855 OJ C 213 31.07.2001, p. 0001 E	21/12/2000	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A5-0137/2001	25/04/2001	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T5-0270/2001 OJ C 034 07.02.2002, p. 0253-0328 E	17/05/2001	EP	Summary
Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report		CES0709/2001 OJ C 221 07.08.2001, p. 0068	30/05/2001	ESC	

Additional information

European Commission	EUR-Lex
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Final act

Regulation 2001/1513 OJ L 201 26.07.2001, p. 0004 Summary
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Olive oil: extension of the period of validity of aid scheme and quality strategy

PURPOSE: to present a Commission proposal for a Regulation amending Regulation 136/66/EEC and 1638/98/EEC as regards the extension of the period of validity of the aid scheme and the quality strategy for olive oil. CONTENT: In July 1998, Council Regulation 1638/98/EEC amending Regulation 136/66/EEC on the establishment of a common market organisation in oil and fats, introduced measures applicable for three marketing years, namely 1998/99, 1999/2000 and 2000/01. However, in order to obtain all the results of the measures implemented from the 1998/99 marketing year onwards and to permit more detailed information to be gathered on the sector and more detailed analyses to be carried out, it is necessary to extend until the end of the 2002/2003 marketing year the period of validity of the provisions currently in force, in particular those laid down in Regulation 136/66/EEC on the establishment of a common organisation of the market in oils and fats. Other provisions contained in the proposed Regulation include the following: 1) where appropriate and whatever form the future aid schemes takes, it will, from 01.11.2003, cover only olive trees included in a geographic information system (GIS) verified as being complete; 2) under the

common organisation of the market in oils and fats, in force as from 01.11.2003, Member States producing olive oil may withhold within certain limited fixed by the Commission a portion of aid, where appropriate intended for olive oil producers, to ensure Community finance of work programmes drawn up by approved operators' organisations and their associations in a number of areas; 3) within the fixed limits, the maximum Community funding for the work programmes shall be equal to the part of the aids reserved by the Member States. This funding shall be of maximum 100% for the eligible cost of the programmes in the olive oil sector and market management, 75% for the programmes on the improvement of product quality and environmental impacts and finally, 50% for the programmes for the certification and protection of olive-oil quality; 4) complementary funding will be assured by the Member States, taking into account certain conditions; 5) the Commission shall specify the following: - conditions for the approval of operators organisations and their unions; - the types of activities under the programmes already referred to; - the procedures for the approval of programmes by the Member States; - the measures concerning the control and the sanctions; - any other detailed rules that might be necessary for the rapid implementation, from 01/11/2003, of the programmes concerned.?

Olive oil: extension of the period of validity of aid scheme and quality strategy

The committee adopted the report by Salvador JOVE PERES (EUL/NGL, E) amending the proposal under the consultation procedure. The committee wanted improved monitoring, controls and checks (including the introduction of computerised systems) on quantities produced and processed and on production aid. It rejected the Commission's vague concept of "operators' organisations" and insisted that legal concepts used widely under the CAP, namely producers' organisations, associations of such organisations and interbranch organisations, should be used. It also said that "olive oil" must be what it seemed and should not be adulterated with other oils or fats. It wanted a ban on the marketing of blends of olive oil and other oils or fats to stop consumers being misled and to prevent fraud. The committee objected to the Commission's proposal to use the term "standard olive oil" to replace the current catch-all description "olive oil", which was used to denote blends of refined olive oil and virgin olive oil and could give the false impression to consumers that such blends were the best olive oil. It said that the term "standard" erred in the opposite direction, appearing to exclude higher-quality virgin oils. The committee therefore preferred the more accurate term "blended olive oil". It also felt that the term "crude olive oil" conjured up images of the petroleum industry, and proposed that it be replaced by the term "natural olive oil". ?

Olive oil: extension of the period of validity of aid scheme and quality strategy

In adopting the report by Mr Salvador JOVE PERES (EUL/NGL, E), the European Parliament approved the Commission's proposal for a quality strategy for olive oil with a non-binding amendments designed to boost quality still further and tighten up the provisions to prevent fraud. (Please refer to the previous document).?

Olive oil: extension of the period of validity of aid scheme and quality strategy

PURPOSE : to extend the period of validity of the aid scheme and the quality strategy for olive oil. COMMUNITY MEASURE : Council Regulation 1513/2001/EC amending Regulations 136/66/EEC and 1638/98/EC as regards the extension of the period of validity of the aid scheme and the quality strategy for olive oil. CONTENT : while the measures introduced by the last regulation had permitted a number of improvements to the common organisation of the market, a number of information gathered and the experience gained during the 1998/99 and 1999/2000 marketing years were neither complete nor sufficient to enable the Commission to draw substantial and definitive conclusions regarding the common market organisation in oils and fats to be implemented from 1 November 2001. This Regulation extends the period of validity of the provisions currently in force until the 2003/04 marketing year. This Regulation shall apply from 01/11/2001.?