

# Procedure file

Basic information	
CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	2003/0144(CNS) Procedure completed
Fat content of drinking milk produced in Finland and Sweden: extension of the derogation until 30 April 2009 Amending Regulation (EC) No 2596/97 <a href="#">1997/0271(CNS)</a>	
Subject 3.10.05.02 Milk and dairy products	
Geographical area Sweden Finland	

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	<b>AGRI</b> Agriculture and Rural Development	PPE-DE <a href="#">DAUL Joseph</a>	08/09/2003
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	<a href="#">Agriculture and Fisheries</a>	<a href="#">2534</a>	13/10/2003
European Commission	Commission DG <a href="#">Agriculture and Rural Development</a>	Commissioner	

Key events			
02/07/2003	Legislative proposal published	<a href="#">COM(2003)0372</a>	Summary
01/09/2003	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
29/09/2003	Vote in committee		Summary
29/09/2003	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A5-0317/2003</a>	
09/10/2003	Decision by Parliament	<a href="#">T5-0420/2003</a>	Summary
13/10/2003	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
13/10/2003	End of procedure in Parliament		
16/10/2003	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2003/0144(CNS)

Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
	Amending Regulation (EC) No 2596/97 <a href="#">1997/0271(CNS)</a>
Legal basis	Adhesion AU, FI, SV N 149-p2; Rules of Procedure EP 52-p1
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	AGRI/5/19788

#### Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal	<a href="#">COM(2003)0372</a>	02/07/2003	EC	Summary
Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report	<a href="#">CES1177/2003</a> <a href="#">OJ C 010 14.01.2004, p. 0087</a>	24/09/2003	ESC	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A5-0317/2003</a>	29/09/2003	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">T5-0420/2003</a>	09/10/2003	EP	Summary

#### Additional information

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

<a href="#">Regulation 2003/1805</a> <a href="#">OJ L 265 16.10.2003, p. 0005-0005</a> Summary
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## Fat content of drinking milk produced in Finland and Sweden: extension of the derogation until 30 April 2009

**PURPOSE :** to extend the transitional measures relating to the fat content of milk for human consumption in Finland and Sweden. **CONTENT :** Council Regulation 2596/97/EC extends until 31 December 2003 the period during which transitional measures may be adopted with regard to the fat content requirements for milk on the market under the conditions set out in the Act of Accession of Austria, Finland and Sweden. In the milk and milk products sector the requirements relating to the fat content of milk for human consumption continue to cause difficulties for Finland and Sweden. To take account of the difficulties posed by the application of the Community rules on drinking milk, Finland and Sweden have since their accession benefited from a derogation relating to the fat content requirements for that milk. Originally this derogation was based on the Act of Accession and on the assumption that the Council would be re-examining the fat categories of drinking milk. However, the process of re-examination of the fat categories as well as the consolidation of the relevant rules resulted in the adoption of Regulation 2597/97/EC, which did not permit the integration of all the drinking milk marketed in Finland and Sweden. An initial period of derogation has therefore been extended twice. In December 2001, Finland and Sweden submitted reports on progress in applying those rules indicating that adaptation was causing persistent problems. In view of the persistence of the difficulties which made the derogation necessary, the attached proposal for a Regulation provides for a derogation of 5 years on the understanding that the new period will expire at the same date as the similar transitional arrangements granted for new Member States, and that 2 years before the expiry of all current derogations the Commission will make a report on the market of drinking milk, possibly accompanied by proposals to harmonise the rules covered by Regulation 2597/97/EC. Therefore, it is therefore necessary to make use of the possibility afforded by Article 149, paragraph 2 of the 1994 Act of Accession to extend the period in question. An additional period until 30 April 2009 seems appropriate. This measure proposes a status quo situation and has as such no direct financial impact.?

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The committee adopted the report by its chairman, Joseph DAUL (EPP-ED, F) approving the proposal unamended under the consultation procedure. ?

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The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by Joseph DAUL (EPP-ED, France) approving the Commission's proposal.?

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PURPOSE : to extend the period during which transitional measures may be adopted with regard to the fat content requirements for milk.  
LEGISLATIVE ACT : Council Regulation 1805/2003/EC amending Regulation 2596/97/EC extending the period provided for in Article 149(1) of the Act of Accession of Austria, Finland and Sweden. CONTENT : Regulation 2596/97/EC extends until 31 December 2003 the period during which transitional measures may be adopted with regard to the fat content requirements for milk on the market under the conditions set out in the 1994 Act of Accession. In the milk and milk products sector, the requirements relating to the fat content of milk for human consumption continue to cause difficulties for Finland and Sweden. This Regulation makes use of the possibility afforded by Article 149(2) of the 1994 Act of Accession to extend the period in question, for an additional period running until 30 April 2009. Since the measure indicates a status quo situation, it has no direct financial impact. ENTRY INTO FORCE : 01/01/04.?