


Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Regulation	1993/1040(CNS)	Procedure completed
Organic production of agricultural products and indications referring thereto on agricultural products and foodstuffs		
Subject 3.10.09.04 Organic farming		

Key players			
European Parliament			
Council of the European Union			
Council configuration	Meeting	Date	
Agriculture and Fisheries	1772	22/06/1995	

Key events			
11/11/1993	Legislative proposal published	COM(1993)0558	Summary
17/01/1994	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
22/03/1994	Vote in committee		Summary
21/03/1994	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A3-0163/1994	
19/04/1994	Debate in Parliament		Summary
19/04/1994	Decision by Parliament	T3-0232/1994	Summary
07/07/1994	Modified legislative proposal published	COM(1994)0292	Summary
22/06/1995	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
22/06/1995	End of procedure in Parliament		
05/08/1995	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	1993/1040(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
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Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	AGRI/3/05155

Documentation gateway

Legislative proposal		COM(1993)0558 OJ C 326 03.12.1993, p. 0008	12/11/1993	EC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A3-0163/1994 OJ C 128 09.05.1994, p. 0007	22/03/1994	EP	
Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report		CES0385/1994 OJ C 148 30.05.1994, p. 0024	23/03/1994	ESC	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T3-0232/1994 OJ C 128 09.05.1994, p. 0039-0109	19/04/1994	EP	Summary
Modified legislative proposal		COM(1994)0292 OJ C 222 10.08.1994, p. 0016	08/07/1994	EC	Summary

Additional information

European Commission	EUR-Lex
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Final act

[Regulation 1994/1468](#)

[OJ L 159 28.06.1994, p. 0011](#) Summary

[Regulation 1995/1935](#)

[OJ L 186 05.08.1995, p. 0001](#) Summary

Organic production of agricultural products and indications referring thereto on agricultural products and foodstuffs

This proposal sought to amend Regulation No 2092/91 concerning labelling, production and inspection of agricultural food products bearing or intended to bear indications making reference to organic production in order: - to transform into a permanent provision the currently transitional provision of the regulation (Article 5(4)), permitting up to 1 July 1994 the labelling of products as organic products, even during the conversion period, if certain conditions were satisfied; - to affix a specific statement for products containing more than 70% of ingredients of agricultural origin, indicating the percentage of those ingredients obtained from organic production present in those products; - to restrict the use of the specific CEE indication of the Community scheme to products sold directly from the producers to the consumer and to products placed on the market as pre-packed foodstuffs; - to apply the principle that reproductive material had to be obtained from vegetables cultivated using organic production methods, whilst laying down flexible transitional provisions permitting the use of conventional reproductive material in cases where material obtained using organic production methods was not available; - to maintain and strengthen the two parallel procedures of equivalence evaluation in third countries; - to reinforce the requirements which approved private inspection bodies had to fulfil (Standard EN45011); - to give the Commission the possibility to conceive a Community symbol which would replace or supplement the indication 'agriculture biologique - Système de contrôle CEE' and to establish procedures for the application of the present regulation, - to provide for a review of the present regulation by 30 June 1999. ?

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The parliamentary committee adopted the draft report by Mr GRAEFE ZU BARINGDORF.?

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The European Parliament gave its approval in principle to the amended proposal for a regulation on the labelling, production and control of agricultural products and foodstuffs carrying indications referring to organic production methods. However, it called on the Commission to present the regulations on organic animal production on 1 January 1995 rather than 30 June. It also called for the Commission to present a proposal on a Community organic production symbol to the Council by 1 July 1995.?

Organic production of agricultural products and indications referring thereto on agricultural products and foodstuffs

OBJECTIVE: to extend the transitional period in Article 5 (5) of Regulation 91/2092/EEC in order to avoid any interruption to the current system. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Regulation (EC) No 94/1468 amending Regulation (EEC) No 91/2092 on organic production of agricultural products and indications referring thereto on agricultural products and foodstuffs. CONTENT: the provisions of Article 5 (5) of Regulation (EEC) No 91/2092 on the labelling of agricultural products and foodstuffs containing an ingredient of agricultural origin obtained by producers converting from traditional farming to organic farming have been extended to 1 July 1995. ENTRY INTO FORCE: 28 June 1994. The regulation will apply from 1 July 1994.?

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The Commission's amended proposal incorporates a number of amendments adopted by the European Parliament in plenary seeking to: - improve the definition of the rules of origin of agricultural products, - introduce new procedural regulations (measures and rules relating to authorisations granted by Member States and the transmission of information to other Member States, the economic circles affected and the Commission), - introduce technical changes to the German version of the proposal, - avoid fraudulent use of certain indications provided for in the regulation, especially in Annex V.?

Organic production of agricultural products and indications referring thereto on agricultural products and foodstuffs

OBJECTIVE: to amend Regulation No 91/2092/EEC on the labelling, production and control of agricultural products and foodstuffs carrying or designed to carry indications referring to organic production methods. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Regulation No 95/1935/EC amending Regulation No 91/2092/EEC on organic production of agricultural products and indications referring thereto on agricultural products and foodstuffs. SUBSTANCE: the Council Regulation: - extends the provisions, expiring on 1 July 1995, concerning the labelling of agricultural products and foodstuffs containing an ingredient of agricultural origin which was produced by producers converting to organic farming; - provides for the inclusion of a specific reference to products containing at least 70% of the ingredients of agricultural origin, indicating the percentage of these ingredients obtained through organic production; - restricts the use of the specific logo of the Community scheme to direct sales by the producer to the consumer and sales of prepackaged foodstuffs; - lays down the principle that propagating material should be obtained from organically-grown plants, whilst providing for transitional measures permitting the use of conventionally-produced propagating material during an interim period where no organically-produced propagating material is available; - states that it must be permissible for whole seedlings obtained in a conventional manner and intended for planting for plant production to be used for an interim period; - clarifies that the inspection system applies also to importers of products from third countries established in the EU. DATE OF ENTRY INTO FORCE: 12 August 1995. ?